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Class of '52 Welcomed With Week-end Events



Day-freshman Deon Woolfolk receiving her identification pin from Lois Boochever and Betsy Leeds at Freshman Dorm Weekend.

A system of day and dormitory sponsors to replace the usual junior sister program is one of the many innovations in "Freshman Week." To initiate freshmen into college life, 35 day and 19 dormitory sponsors will conduct a group of six freshmen around the campus.

Paige Morris, Chairman

Under the leadership of Paige Morris '50 and Eleanor Holland '50, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Freshman Day respectively, a full program was planned for last weekend.

The dormitory freshmen arrived on Friday, September 17, the day freshmen on Saturday. The latter were guests in the dormitories that weekend.

On Saturday at noon, a formal luncheon was held in the dining halls, followed by group meetings with sponsors and an informal tea in Brooks Hall. Dormitory sponsors presented a skit to the group at night. Victoria Thompson '50 arranged the music, and lyrics were written by Bing Escoda '50.

Freshman Playday took place Sunday, September 19, on the North Lawn, after which a picnic supper was served.

Wednesday morning, the freshman class attended chapel service, and then lunched at the Barnard cafeteria. The class was introduced to Barnard student government, and also attended the opening exercises at Columbia in the afternoon. At night, the dormitory freshmen gave a skit and held a pajama party.

First Exercises

This year, the first formal opening exercises at Barnard will be held Thursday, September 23 at 1 p. m. in the gymnasium. Dean Millicent C. McIntosh will preside and General Dwight D. Eisenhower will be the featured speaker. This will be the president-elect's first official visit to the Barnard campus to address the faculty and students. A procession of faculty

in full academic dress, seniors in cap and gown, and a special music program will be included.

Plans are under way for a Student Activities Carnival, headed by Eleanor Madden and scheduled for Friday, October 1. This Carnival will be a concerted drive of all the clubs and publications for student membership and support.

'Ike' Speaks To Columbia '52 Welcome

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, president-elect of the University, welcomed Columbia College freshmen at a Class of '52 Dinner in John Jay Hall last Monday night.

Addressing the new students as "classmates," General Eisenhower urged, "get some pleasure every day in your life," while planning an extracurricular program. "Enjoy yourselves" while at college, he recommended.

Other Speakers

The dinner, sponsored jointly by the Dean of Columbia College and Board of Student Representatives, was under the direction of Robert A. Milch '49. Frank S. Hogan, New York County District Attorney and graduate of the College, Lou Little, football coach and others also spoke.

Mr. Hogan stated that college activities were vital in forming the "complete man" and that Debate Council had helped him in his own career.

Orientation Program

The highpoint of the Columbia freshman orientation program introducing 650 students to college life will be a Columbia-Barnard dance to be held in John Jay Hall Saturday night. During the first few weeks of the term freshmen are also urged to wear the blue and white "frosh caps."

Welcome

BULLETIN is herewith printing an advance release of Dean McIntosh's introductory speech to the college which will be given at Barnard's first formal opening exercises this afternoon at 1 p.m. At this time the Dean will introduce General Eisenhower, President-elect of Columbia University. This will mark the first official appearance of the President-elect at Barnard.

Every member of Columbia University is aware of the momentous character of this period in our history. Our new President takes office in the face of great problems and greater opportunities. To each Barnard student comes a call to duty which cannot be ignored.

General Eisenhower has undertaken the Presidency of Columbia because he believes that the right kind of education is essential if democracy is to survive.

Barnard has urgent need of your concern, your work and your loyalty in establishing its own future, as well as in implementing his great ideal. We pledge to him today our faith in his cause, and our utmost support to him as he begins his great task.

MILLICENT C. MCINTOSH
Dean

Once more I should like to welcome the new Barnard students to the Undergraduate Association and to say the usual fall greetings to former students.

Increased Spirit

I am sure everyone will notice and appreciate the improvements which have taken place during the summer and that these will set pace for the coming year. Each of us must contribute toward the spirit of interest and enthusiasm, for we have every opportunity to make Barnard into the kind of college we want.

Emphasis on Extra-Curricular

There is always a great deal of emphasis on extra-curricular activities at this time of the year, but as we all know term papers and hours in the library seem to thwart many of our intentions. The difficult problem for each of us is to balance our various activities. Let's remember that above all we are here to obtain a college degree and a liberal education, but that through well-chosen outside activities and a concentration of effort all may obtain a degree as well as practice in living and working with others.

LOIS BOOCHEVER
Undergraduate President

Bulletin Notice

Students of all classes who are interested in trying out for positions on the Bulletin editorial and business staffs should sign up on posters in Barnard and Brooks Hall. First meeting for new members will be announced in about two weeks.

The following deadlines have been established by the Bulletin Managing Board:

- Tuesday at 10 a.m. for the Thursday issue.
- Thursday at 10 a.m. for the Monday issue.

No material, including letters to the Editor, can be accepted after these times.

Formal Exercises Mark 195th Year

Formal opening exercises of the 195th academic year of Columbia University with Dwight D. Eisenhower presiding for the first time, took place yesterday at 3 p.m. in McMillin Theater. The former commander of allied forces

spoke briefly urging students to regard the University not as a "haven" but as an "opportunity" in their lives. Prolonged applause by the assembled faculty, students and guests prefaced the General's remarks and the famed "Eisenhower grin" was in evidence as he began by stating that his part in welcoming the audience was a happy one.

Declaring that his welcome was a welcome to opportunity, the General sharply criticized the search for certainty, safety and absolute security which he indicated was prevalent today. "Indeed, I am not so sure," he asserted, "that if you held only the hope for complete safety, individual security, as your ambition nobody could do anything for you except change that ambition."

Opportunity Stressed

He urged that his audience put less emphasis on security and safety and think, rather, in terms of opportunity, the opportunity that Columbia, with its "great faculty" offers to "prepare yourself for effective citizenship in the greatest of all free democracies." "That, to my mind, is the greatest ambition any American can hope for." He added.

Professor Brunner, in his speech also stressed effective citizenship as a vital objective of university training, citing this as an obligation the university and the university man owe to society. Describing present conditions under which the university must function, Professor Brunner characterized society as in a revolutionary phase. "Many of the old values are questioned; men and institutions have been torn loose from their familiar moorings. Perhaps this revolution dates from 1776."

Declaring that the nation needs those who can recognize the implications of the social sciences, as well as specialized professional workers, Professor Brunner described the university's obligation to society in addition to all else, as one of turning out men and women who will accept the responsibilities of democracy.

Improvement First Step In Trustees Plan

Long planned structural and maintenance repairs and complete architectural changes on the College campus, which started earlier this summer under the Development Plan, are now well under way, Dean Millicent C. McIntosh announced yesterday.

Special Project

A special trustees' project has been carried through in Brooks Hall under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Alfred F. Hess, who is both an alumna of the College and a Trustee, Architect, Mr. Frederick R. King, a member of the Board of Trustees, completed his designs for the Students' Wing on Barnard Hall. Work has already begun to complete the new wing before the year's end. Structural repairs, maintenance improvements, new fixtures and furnishings have started under way in both Brooks and Hewitt Halls.

Brooks Hall

In Brooks Hall the bathrooms and the halls as well as seventy-seven students' rooms have been repainted. Linoleum has been laid on the floors of thirty-five of the rooms. New locks and lamps are being installed. The building stone on Brooks Hall has been repainted to help ward off the effects of weathering, and roofs and window sills have been repaired and repainted. In Hewitt Hall a snack bar will adjoin the dining room. Both dormitories have undergone essential changes in electric refrigeration which have reduced maintenance costs by nearly \$100 a month. The money for all of these necessary improvements has been taken from a \$50,000 Deferred Maintenance Fund, set aside by the Trustees during the war years.

The special Trustees' project in (Continued on page 3, col. 3)

Council Revises Dorm Rules; More Liberal System Effected

New rules governing later permissions for dormitory students have been agreed upon by the Residence Halls staff in cooperation with a group of four students headed by Ruth Carter, president of last year's executive board.

Changes in Rules

These new rules include provisions for obtaining late permissions for 12:30 or 1:30 as late as 12 midnight of the same day. Formerly, late passes were to be secured before 10:30. Seniors will be granted 2:30 permissions whenever special dances are held, whether attending the function or not. Greater cooperation between the Residence Hall Council and the Executive Committee will result in strict enforcement of the quiet hours this year.

Renovations

Aside from the modifications in rules, there have been renovations and additions made in the Residence Halls. Part of a Trustee's special project, changes include the addition of a new snack bar on the street floor, a soundproofing system in the North Dining Room, a complete redecoration of several rooms on the main floor and new lamps furnished for all rooms in Brooks Hall.

The aim in making these changes was to promote the welfare of the 343 students now residing in the dormitories and to facilitate the functioning of the Residence Halls. The number of resident students has been slightly reduced by the removal of double decker beds in some rooms.

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BARNARD IN 1948

Barnard students have come back this year to a scene of activity. The return of students to a college campus usually marks the awakening of the institution from a lethargic summer schedule. But Barnard in the summer of 1948 apparently did not slow down its rate of activity.

In both Brooks and Hewitt Halls, student rooms were repainted, floors renovated, and other general repairs completed. The Brooks social rooms and main hall on the first floor received a long past-due décor to replace the old interior. A fresh livable appearance will greet the guests of the college.

In Barnard Hall, offices which found it difficult to coordinate their activities are now grouped together. The Development Plan with the Public Relations Office, the Occupation Bureau, and the Associate Alumnae will find proximity a boost for their long-range plans. The Library and the College Parlor have been redecorated.

Milbank, too, has had its face lifted. A students lounge is now located in Room 1, a new class room replaces the vacated home of the Occupational Bureau, and a maid's restroom has been installed.

Keeping step with administrative changes and campus improvements is the Barnard student body. The plan of freshman orientation — so competently led by the efforts of Page Morris and Eleanor Holland — has set the pace for all campus organizations. Student Council will revise the Undergrad constitution, clubs, all-college publications, and Undergrad subsidiaries have inaugurated programs to stimulate the extra-curricular scene for new and old students alike.

The Registrar's office and Dr. Gertrude Rich, Freshman Advisor under the new program have reported that the class of 1952 is outstanding in many respects. The freshmen will add their talents to Barnard in 1948, but they will draw in return from a greatly enriched account of college resources.

The Development Plan and the Trustees' project which has made possible these material improvements, will continue to expand from a limited to an ample capacity, the facilities of the campus. Students will find that their responsibilities toward Barnard have increased proportionally.

The college community — the students, the administration, the faculty — working in increased cooperation have marked a new era in Barnard history. This is Barnard in 1948.

Boochever: President With A Talent For Test-Tubes

By Marion Bell

The general first impression that one gets of Lois Boochever is that of a person who is serious, solid and calm. When one gets to know her better—and this is not hard because she makes it easy—the first impression remains, but one discovers that her seriousness is livened by a rare sense of humour. Under the administration of such a person, one feels that the machinery of student government will run smoothly, and that she will discharge her duties as Undergraduate President competently.

Hails From Albany

Before coming to Barnard Booch spent thirteen years at St. Agnes School for girls near Albany, New York. Albany is her permanent home, although it is not her favorite town. She grew up there with a gang of eight girls "who were all alike," and has at least one unpleasant memory. She went to dancing school, and in the third grade, when she was the tallest girl, the shortest boy asked her to dance. As the couple moved gracefully across the floor, the mothers sitting on the sidelines burst into laughter.

Started Early

Booch has been a conspicuous figure at Barnard ever since her freshman year, when she was class treasurer. As a sophomore she held the office of class president. She feels that she was elected to that post mainly because the members of her class got to know her very well the year before—she collected so many fines. After that, Booch went rapidly up the ladder of student government offices. In her junior year she became treasurer of Undergrad and was chosen as a delegate to the NSA conference in Wisconsin, where, as she says,



Lois Boochever

she averaged three hours sleep a night, and could not carry on a conversation without referring to "Roberts' Rules of Order."

Aside from her inclination for student politics, Booch is also a sports enthusiast. She participated in water ballet for two years and was on the Greek Games hoop-rolling team. The big event in the hoop-rolling contest was when she fell flat on her face at dress rehearsal. She went to camp every summer for twelve years until this summer, when she worked in a chemistry laboratory.

Chem Major

In spite of all these activities, she does not neglect the academic side of her life. She is one of the best chemistry majors at Barnard. In 1945 she was one of the forty winners of the Westinghouse science talent search, for her essay on the tapeworm. She would like to do graduate work, if possible, at the University of Wisconsin. It is safe to say, that for "Booch," anything is possible.

Headaches In The Admissions Office

By Joan Houston

With the school semester under way and the admissions office settling back for a slight but well earned respite, there are probably a number of members of the student body still wondering how and why in the world they happen to be here.

The basic problem, explained Miss Jean D. Palmer, Director of Admissions, is that of deciding "who really wants to come and who doesn't know what else to do."

First Shuffle

In making its selections, the admissions office first goes through all the applications and discards those which are obviously not suitable. This is the easiest part of the job. Then the final sifting begins.

There are many factors to be considered. Contrary to many student notions, the thing which is given the most weight is neither marks nor extra-curricular activities, but the comments of a student's former teachers and principal.

Later, in the second sifting, such matters are taken into consideration, as marks, geographical location, and varying social backgrounds. Barnard likes as wide a variety as possible, but though a girl from the west coast probably has a better chance of making it than one from New York, where applications are more numerous, Miss Palmer emphasizes that in no case is an inferior student selected above another, no matter what the considerations.

College Boards

College boards, the bug-a-boo of so many students, are not nearly so important as applicants think they are, Miss Palmer says. In many cases they are as much a check on schools' scholastic standards as on individual girls. When "A" students from a particular school consistently do badly on the college boards, there is something wrong.

And then there is the much debated question of first and second choices. The college does not prefer those who have put down Barnard as first choice out of pride, but because they are much more likely to stick. Statistics prove this. This year 67% of the withdrawals were second choicers, while only 27% of those who had given Barnard as first choice left. Also significant is the fact that relatively few drop out for scholastic reasons

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About Town

PARIS THEATER

By Marlies Wolf

Well, let's see what has been happening around town during the time you spent lazing your bronzed limbs on a sandy beach. Subway fares went up; as a matter of fact, all fares went up. It is indeed cheapest now to take in the metropolitan sights by cab. New York had its Golden Jubilee; the excavation for the U.N. site has been started; we are all a year older; and best of all, we have a new movie house.

The new phenomenon the "Paris Theater" is located at 58th Street, just opposite the Plaza Hotel and it will give us a chance to see the best French movies ever shown.

At present it houses the film "Symphonie Pastorale" and if all following pictures live up to the standard set by this masterpiece of artistry, the other movie houses might as well close their doors.

First by Gide

"Symphonie Pastorale," the first film ever to be based on a work by André Gide is very refreshing in its simplicity. Michele Morgan, whom we misused for B pictures with French backgrounds in this country, gives a performance that should stand out in your memories like a clear bell. Pierre Blanchard, the man who valiantly became a leader of the Maquis during the German occupation, does a splendid job as the simple pastor who lives in the Alps with his happy family and finds a blind little waif whom he rears together with his own children. The once happy family life is disrupted because the Pastor develops an almost insane love for the girl who also grows up worshipping his every word.

Technically Perfect

The weird struggle is shown against the splendid background of the snowy mountains and the photography is overwhelming. Contrary to the usual French movie, with an unclear, flickering film reception, this movie is technically perfect. The shots are artistically chosen and the direction provided unity and serene beauty.

The music used is the only factor with which one may find fault. It seemed too powerful and obvious in its application at times.

Short on Matisse

Together with the single feature, the "Paris" offers a short film about Henri Matisse. Though very enlightening and

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Frosh Weekend Whirl

By Bing Escoda

The freshman orientation program started off with a bang this year, fired by the enthusiasm of sponsors, freshmen, and staff members. The new students, coming in last Friday, September 17, were met by registration forms, a smiling staff, grinning sponsors, and a schedule designed to sweep them off their feet and into the whirlwind of activity which is Life at Barnard College.

What—No Radios?

A story reached our ears that one freshman, asked to pay the three dollars requisite for having a radio, misunderstood and paid up cheerfully, thinking what a wonderful college it was that gave students a radio for only three dollars.

One sponsor—and this we know to be true—met a freshman who said, very candidly, "All the sponsors wrote to their freshmen, but you didn't write to me." The excitable sponsor pounded on the table and said vociferously, "Oh but I did! I'm sure I did! I remember very clearly that I wrote you!" And just as the freshman was beginning to think that the

fault lay with the United States mail service rather than the sponsor, they found out that they didn't "belong" to each other after all.

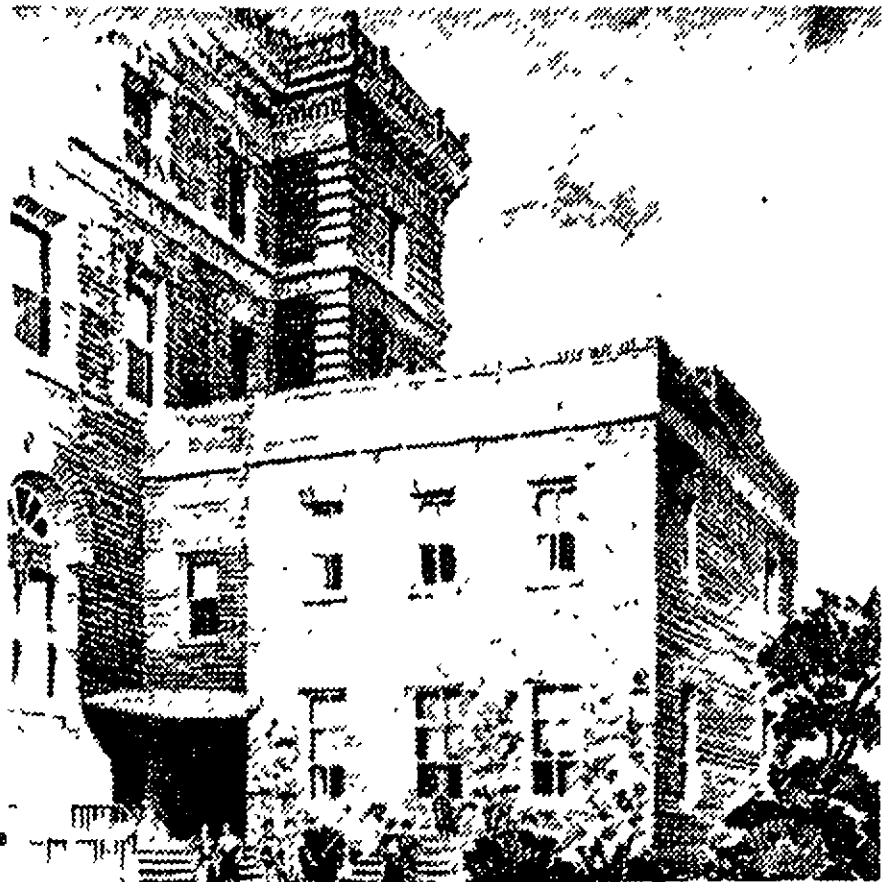
The highlight of the program was the week-end when the day freshmen and sponsors spent two days and a night in the dormitories.

Hectic

It was the beginning of a hectic week-end of tours, luncheon, tea in the newly-redecorated Brooks living-room, a pajama party and a skit given by dorm sponsors, and a playday on North Lawn. At four o'clock Saturday afternoon a day freshman was heard to groan, "Is there any place around here where I can just collapse?"

As a day freshman handed her suitcase to her father after the week-end, he asked, "Well, how was it?" An ecstatic look came over her face, and the bags under her eyes disappeared for a moment as she breathed happily, "Oh, it was wonderful! I'm MAD about the place!"

A new Barnard tradition is on its feet.



Architect's drawing of the Students' Wing of Barnard Hall which will be completed this year as a part of the Development Plan. The Wing, releasing space for the Associate Alumnae and Occupation Bureau in Barnard Hall, will be used solely for student activities. The first-floor will contain a lounge with a fireplace and snack bar and the second floor will have four offices and committee rooms. Frederick Rhinelander King, a Trustee, is the architect.

Trustees' Project

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Brooks Hall, which is under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Alfred F. Hess, represents the first step in the Development Plan for which money is being raised at the present time. All public rooms will be redecorated and-refurnished to accommodate students and their friends.

The Library in Barnard Hall has also undergone changes with Nancy McLellan as decorator. New magazine racks, wings for periodicals, a music recorder, cabinets and a desk in Room 304, which will handle all removed records from the library will provide better library facilities.

An important highlight is the erection of the new Students'

Wing on Barnard Hall. Specially designed by Mr. King, it will utilize all of the facilities of Barnard Hall while at the same time providing more space for student activities.

The first floor of the new wing will house a snack bar and a large lounge with an open fireplace for day students. The second floor will carry student offices and committee rooms. Coat rooms and lavatories will be constructed in the present locker room space. The Alumnae Office and Occupation Bureau have been moved into the Odd and Even Studies, making available two extra class rooms and three offices. Room 2, located in the basement of Milbank Hall, by the vote of the Faculty, was assigned for students' sitting room and study hall. Another room was designated for maids' lounge.

New Chaplain Takes Office

Dr. Louis W. Pitt has been formally installed as the official chaplain of Columbia University, a post which he accepted at the invitation of the incumbent acting president, Dr. Frank D. Fackenthal. Dr. Pitt has been the Rector of Grace Church in New York City for the past eight years.

He is a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of New York, a trustee of Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and Dean of the Convocation of Manhattan.

Assistant Chaplain

Serving as Assistant Chaplain in association with Dr. Pitt will be the Reverend William J. Chase, who was Acting Chaplain of the University during this past summer. Chaplain Chase after graduation from Hamilton College and the Episcopal Theological School, served three years as Chaplain to Episcopal students at Cornell University. Prior to his release from military service and return from Japan early this summer, he had worked in several posts as an Air Corps Chaplain. Among them were positions as Assistant Staff Chaplain of the Fourth Air Force, Air Transport Command, and Far East Air Forces.

Both Dr. Pitt and Chaplain Chase extend invitations to students of the University to meet them both after the Chapel services, and in their offices in Earl Hall during the week.

'Paris' in N. Y.

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interesting it seems unfortunate that the subject that just "screams" for color is handled in simple black and white. It is tormenting to hear the inadequate narrator discuss Matisse's outstanding colors while the audience has to be deprived of them.

By all means go to see the two films. For once you will certainly get your \$1.20's worth.

To Admit or Not

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She believes that those who are accepted should feel a strong sense of responsibility when they take the places wanted by so many, and admits that admissions systems in the colleges today are far from perfect.

Miss Palmer dreams of the day "when we could get a freshman class that would all graduate."

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Calendar Committee

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Physical Education

Students must register for physical education classes on Thursday and Friday, September 23 and 24. Registration will take place in the gymnasium from 8:45 to 11 a.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday, and from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday. Classes will begin on Monday, September 27.

Lockers

Lockers in Milbank and Barnard Halls are being given out opposite the Office of Building and Grounds on the first floor of Milbank Hall during the hours of 10 to 12 and 2 to 4, until October 1 only. Combination locks for Barnard Hall lockers are also being sold. Resident students are requested not to apply for lockers in Barnard Hall.

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Religious News

Newman Club

Jeanne E. Jahn '49, and Eileen Howley were appointed delegates by the Newman Club of Barnard College to attend the thirty-fourth National Newman Club Convention at the University of Minnesota. The Newman Club at Minneapolis acted as host for the three-day program of activities planned for the convention September 3 through 5.

Attendance

Nearly 66 Priest Chaplains and student delegates from over 500 Newman Clubs throughout the United States and its possessions, and prominent representatives from Canada, England, Hawaii, Switzerland, Mexico and Japan, attended.

The theme of the convention was "The Social Responsibility of the Catholic Student." The program included panel sessions on "Social Action," "Religion in Higher Education," "Club Programming," "Province and National Federation Relations and Problems," and discussion and resolution on Pax Romana, the Joint Committee for Student Action and World Student Service Fund.

Menorah

The Menorah Society of Barnard joined the Seixas Society of Columbia in its annual three day Conference and Retreat on September 8, 9, and 10, at Camp Salomon, in Holmes, New York.

Rabbi Isador Hoffman of Columbia, Rabbi Maurice Sigmund, leader of the Hillel Foundation at Harvard, and the adviser to Jewish activities at New York University, Rabbi Lindenburg, acted as religious counsellors at the conference. Informal group discussions were carried on during the three day session. Judaism in America was the central theme for lecture and consideration.

St. Paul's Chapel

Schedule of Services

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8 A.M.—The Holy Communion.
 12 Noon—Music and Prayers.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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