

ALUMNAE



MONTHLY

Barnard

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Fund Gains Impetus from Rockefeller Million

FACULTY HONORED

Three members of the Barnard faculty, all in the English Department, have received fellowships from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. The award winners are Miss Rosamund Gilder, associate in English, and Dr. William Haller and Dr. Cabell Greet, both professors of English. Miss Gilder received her award as a biographer, and will write a history of the modern American theater. Dr. Haller, who plans to retire in June, received his award in the field of English history, and will do research on the history of Puritanism. He will be a visiting professor at the University of Rochester next semester; then he will go to the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D. C., where he will direct research in the Renaissance period. Dr. Greet, who will go on sabbatical leave next January, will use his fellowship to do linguistic-phonetic studies of European names, particularly place names, and will travel extensively in Europe.

The purpose of these awards, as defined by the founder, the late Senator Simon Guggenheim, is "to add to the educational, literary, artistic, and scientific power of this country and also to provide for the cause of better international understanding."

TRUSTEES MEET

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees on April 5, it was decided to raise the tuition at Barnard from \$700 to \$800, with the stipulation that the additional fee be optional for the class of 1951. This final action on the part of the Board authorizes the increases to take effect in the 1950-51 academic year. The increase will bring in

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JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER JR.

JOINT CURRICULUM

Barnard will join with Columbia College and General Studies in presenting a joint curriculum in religion next fall, an example of a cooperative effort which may well set a pattern in the future. Barnard's Department of Religion, headed by Professor Ursula Niebuhr, deserves special credit for the development, which has been under consideration for some time. The plans gained momentum last year with the appointment of Chaplain James A. Pike, who became the chairman of the Department of Religion at Columbia College.

Through this project, Barnard is able to give other students of the University the advantage of study under the its well-qualified faculty, and at the same time, is able to offer Barnard students a much broader program of religious

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GIFT BRINGS TOTAL TO 12.4% OF GOAL

Securities having a market value of approximately \$1,000,000 have been contributed to the Barnard College Development Fund by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The announcement was made jointly by *Helen Rogers Reid '03*, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and *Helen Goodhart Altschul '07*, national chairman of the Fund, on Tuesday, April 18.

The gift was made "for the over-all development program, to be used in such ways as the Trustees of the College may in their discretion, think best." However, Mr. Rockefeller expressed the hope that it would be applied ultimately to a contemplated new building "when the necessary monies therefor are available."

Mr. Rockefeller concluded his letter to Dean Millicent C. McIntosh, in which he announced his gift, with a wish for the success of the College's fund campaign. He wrote:

"Because of the unparalleled opportunities which Barnard's location in the greatest cosmopolitan city in the world, holds out to it—opportunities on the one hand of serving in a large way the countless needs of its environment, and on the other hand opportunities for its own enrichment by availing of the many facilities which that environment offers—and because of my confidence in the exceptional vision and leadership you are bringing to the College, I wish for its campaign the success in fullest measure which it so richly deserves."

Mrs. Reid said that income from Mr. Rockefeller's gift, plus increased income from a \$100-per-student tuition increase approved by the Trustees on April 5, would eliminate an estimated \$105,000 operating deficit for 1950-51, and would give Barnard a balanced budget for the

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ALUMNAE CALENDAR

Monday, May 1

- 4:00 P.M. Associate Alumnae Advisory Vocational Committee Meeting.—Alumnae Office, Barnard Hall.
- 7:30 P.M. Meeting of Associate Alumnae Nominating Committee.—Alumnae Office, Barnard Hall.

Tuesday, May 2

- 7:30 P.M. Meeting of Associate Alumnae Nominating Committee.—Alumnae Office, Barnard Hall.

Wednesday, May 3

- 4:30-7:30 P.M. Barnard-in-New York tea to honor class of 1950.—Barnard College Club.

Thursday, May 4

- 8:30 P.M. Wigs and Cues Production of Barrie's "The Twelve Pound Look," Chekov's "The Proposal," Coward's "Fumed Oak," and De Musset's "The Door Must Be Open or Shut." Tickets are \$1 each and can be secured through Nancy Price at UNiversity 4-3200, Johnson Hall.—Brinckerhoff Theater.

Friday, May 5

- 4:00-6:00 "Plant Exploration in Venezuela" will be discussed by Dr. Bassett Maquire, curator of the New York Botanical Gardens, at a meeting of the Barnard Botanical Club. Tea will be served.—College Parlor, Barnard Hall.
- 8:30 P.M. Wigs and Cues Production.—Brinckerhoff Theater.

Saturday, May 6

- 1:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. Pied Piper Carnival. (See article elsewhere in this issue.) Admission: \$.10.—North Lawn of the College and First Floor of Barnard Hall.
- 8:30 P.M. Wigs and Cues Production.—Brinckerhoff Theater.

Tuesday, May 9

- 1:00 P.M. Finance Committee Meeting.—Columbia University Club.

Friday, May 12

- 4:10 P.M. Phi Beta Kappa Initiation Meeting.—College Parlor, Barnard Hall.

Saturday, May 13

- 7:45-11:30 P.M. Spring Festival of the Country Dance Society of America, open to all. Tickets to observers, \$1.20, to partici-

pants, \$.50. (If you wish to participate in the dancing, call OR 3-3033.)—Gymnasium, Barnard Hall.

Tuesday, May 16

- 1:10 P.M. Mrs. Wilma Kirby-Miller, a dean of Radcliffe College, will address an all-College assembly meeting. Alumnae are invited to attend.—Gymnasium.
- 2:30 P.M. Meeting of Associate Alumnae Board of Directors.—College Parlor, Barnard Hall.

Monday, May 22

- 12:00 Noon Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Associate Alumnae.—Columbia University Club.
- 5:30 P.M. Board Meeting of the Barnard College Club of New York.

Friday, June 2

- 9 P.M.-1:00 A.M. Senior Ball. Tickets may be obtained by sending a check for \$6 a couple to Jean Moore, care of Student Mail, Barnard Hall, before May 15.

Monday, June 5

- 12:30-3:00 P.M. Luncheon Meeting of Representatives of Barnard Alumnae Clubs.—Men's Faculty Club, 400 West 117 Street, N.Y.C.
- 4:00 P.M. Annual Meeting of Associate Alumnae.—Brinckerhoff Theater.
- 5:00-6:30 P.M. Reception.—Gymnasium.
- 6:30 P.M. Trustees' Supper. (See article elsewhere in this issue for details.)
- 8:30 P.M. Entertainment.—Gymnasium.

Thursday, June 8

- 2:30 P.M. Columbia Commencement.—Columbia Campus.

THE NATURE OF MAN

A unique approach to the studies of religion and classic literature is now underway at Barnard. The Department of Religion, with the cooperation of several other departments in the College, is sponsoring a symposium in which the great works of the past are analyzed for their contribution to the philosophy of religion—the nature of man and the meaning of his existence.

At each two-hour meeting, faculty members join with students in spirited discussions, which are often preceded by an address on a specific literary subject by a guest who is an authority in the field.

The symposium is an outgrowth of a belief, expressed by Professor Ursula Neibuhr, head of Barnard's religion department, that a cursory reading or scanning of great literature fails to develop a true understanding of the authors' interpretations of the major problems of man's existence.

COMPREHENSIVES

The following letter to Barnard students from Dean McIntosh, dated February 28, 1950, is reprinted in full for your information.

To the students of Barnard College
Since last May the Committee on Instruction has been considering the question of the major examination. The original resolution of the Faculty passed in 1940 read as follows: "This examination shall be designed to test the candidate's command of the subject, as a united and coherent whole."

A special sub-committee was appointed in May, 1950, to study the matter, with Professor Greet as Chairman. A Staff Conference was held in November for general consideration of the problems involved; and before Christmas all departments were asked to discuss the examination in terms of its educational effect on the work of the department.

As a result of the reports of the various departments, certain important facts have emerged. There is a general agreement among departments that the system of excusing seniors from the last week of classes has a deleterious effect on the work of the College. It was also agreed that this week is not an ideal time for administering the major examination, since for many students there is no breathing space between the end of classes and the date of the examination. These two points were also strongly made by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee in its report to the Faculty.

Accordingly, at a meeting of the Committee on Instruction held on Monday, February twenty-seventh, it was voted to change the final examination schedule this year as follows:

1. Classes for all students, including seniors, will end on Saturday, May 20th.
2. Course examinations will begin on Tuesday afternoon, May 23rd.
3. Major examinations will be given toward the end of the examination period, the dates to be announced later.
4. Graduate Record Examination, for which no preparation is possible, must be given in April or early May to allow time for the official scoring.

This schedule was approved later in the

afternoon at a meeting of the Executive Officers of all the Departments.

We believe that the students will recognize that the major examination is an effective educational device when it is given under more advantageous circumstances than in the past three years. By this change, seniors will have the advantage of the review for their course examinations before they take the major examination. They will also have more free time than formerly during which they can correlate the subject matter of the four years.

The Faculty are continuing to study the major examination and its relation to the curriculum of the last two years. Further conferences on the subject will be held and the opinions of the students will be carefully weighed. It is hoped that we may thereby come on a plan which will eliminate the hardships which students have felt they suffered during the last three years, and which will at the same time develop the educational values sought in the original resolution of the Faculty.

MILLICENT C. MCINTOSH
Dean

PHI BETA KAPPA

Twenty-five seniors and eight recent Barnard graduates have been elected to the New York Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, according to Miss Grace T. Bolton, secretary of the Barnard section.

The seniors are Dorothy Allen, Rosemary Beeching, Wanda Charwat, Joyce Engelson, Frances Fuchs, Pauline Gostinsky, Ann Hasker, Helen Greta Hersch, Alice Sterling Honig, Mary Jean Huntington, Judith Jarvis, Ursula Leibrecht Jarvis, Winifred Kent, Doris Halvorson Kroner, Beatrice Laskowitz, Carolyn Ogden, Yolanda Pyles, Ann Rabowitz, Phyllis Reiss, Marjorie Plant Rogatz, Alice Weinstock Schwartz, Roselin Seider, Ellen Fishbein Weiss, Joan Weiss, and Joan White.

Recent graduates elected are *Ruth Crane* '49, *Rosalie Grayer* (February) '50, *Jane Webb Lewis* (February) '50, *Barbara Moskowitz Suchow* (February) '50, *Doris Adelberg Orgel* (February) '50, *Arlene Propper Silberman* '49, *Hertha Wegener* (February) '50, and *Genevieve Wightman* '49.

New members will be initiated at a meeting of the Barnard Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa on Friday, May 12 (See Alumnae Calendar).

JUNE REUNION

For the first time in Barnard history Trustees' Supper and June Reunion will be held before commencement. Under the revised academic calendar for 1949-50, graduation takes place on Thursday, June 8, and alumnae are invited back to campus to participate in reunion activities on the preceding Monday.

Under the chairmanship of *Caroline Duncombe Pelz* '40, the Reunion Committee is planning the program for the day. The annual meeting of the Associate Alumnae, at which Alumnae Fund and Development Fund totals to date will be announced, is scheduled for four o'clock in the Brinckerhoff Theater. Following this there will be a reception in the gymnasium for alumnae and faculty.

The members of "343" and all the fifth year classes beginning with 1905 will be the guests of the Trustees of the College at supper. These classes will be assigned various rooms on the campus for their reunions. Supper at a nominal charge will be available to non-reunion alumnae in the Barnard Hall cafeteria.

Dean McIntosh will address the alumnae in the gymnasium after the supper and a satirical skit, written, directed and acted by alumnae, is in preparation.

Overnight accommodations in the residence halls at a charge of \$1.00 will be available to all alumnae living outside the metropolitan area on Monday evening. Reservation blanks for the



Miss Marian Williston Smith, left, newly-appointed director of admissions at Barnard, chats with Professor Helen Phelps Bailey '33, who will serve as faculty advisor to next year's freshman class. Miss Smith, a Vassar alumna and a former director of admissions and placement at Elmira College, Elmira, N. Y., succeeds Miss Jean T. Palmer, who was appointed General Secretary of the college in November. Margaret Dykes Dayton '39 has been named associate director of admissions, and Mrs. John Adams will serve as assistant director.

supper and rooms in the residence halls, as well as an announcement of the complete program for reunion, will be mailed early in May.

Queens Fund Campaign Launched at Luncheon

In preparation for recruiting nearly a hundred campaign workers for the Queens County campaign, which began on April 28, *Jay Pfifferling Harris* '39, chairman of the Queens committee for the Development Fund, held a luncheon meeting of vice-chairmen and district chairmen at the College on April 15.

Guests of honor at the luncheon were *Helen Goodhart Altschul* '07, national chairman of the Fund, Dean Millicent C. McIntosh, *Dorothy Robb Sultzer* '20, president of the Associate Alumnae, and Miss Jean T. Palmer, general secretary of the College.

Active solicitation in Queens was launched at a meeting of all of the Queens County campaign workers on April 28 at the Forest Hills Inn, Forest Hills, N. Y., where the same guests of

honor assembled to address workers.

District chairmen of the Queens committee are *Shirley Sexauer Harrison* '44, Middle Village; *Eleanor Louise Schmidt* '35, Jackson Heights; *Theodosia C. Bay* '21, Elmhurst; *June Abbrancate Lipton* '48, Forest Hills; *Lilli Krieger Keene* '44, Forest Hills; *Helena Shine Dohrenwend* '18, Bayside; *Virginia Le Count* '37, Flushing; *Eva Hutchison Dirkes* '22, Jamaica; *Ruth Frankfurter Lehr* '38, Bellrose; *Anne Torpy Toomey* '26, Douglaston; and *Leonore Schanhous Krieger* '38, Rockaway Park.

Vice-chairmen of the committee are *Elecia Carr Knickerbocker* '22, Douglaston; *Ruth Inscho Glick* '38, Jackson Heights; *Catherine Kneeland Gibson* '38, Forest Hills; and *Frances Holtzberg Landesberg* '29, Forest Hills.

Rockefeller Gift Gives Fund Impetus; Total Is Now 12.4 Per Cent of Goal

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first time since 1944.

Mr. Rockefeller, in making his gift, said that he refrains in general, from entering the educational field "except in an occasional instance where the unique character of an institution, its outstanding service, its location, or some program or personality have made me feel justified in contributing to it as an exception to the policy which I have followed."

He said he felt that through the establishment of the General Education Board by his father and its generous endowment, the Rockefeller family's responsibility for the educational development of the country "was being fully and constructively met."

Mr. Rockefeller had indicated in a letter written to Mrs. Reid on December 20, 1949, that he considered Barnard an exception to his policy, and that he would consider a "modest gift" to its program. He said at that time:

"In view of the fact that the educational center between Morningside Heights and the river is perhaps the greatest educational center in the world; in view of the fact that this center is, I believe, destined to have an ever-increasing influence, intellectually, religiously, socially and internationally on the city, the nation and the world; in view of the fact that the new Barnard block on which you are planning to build is in such close proximity to the Riverside Church that the character of the buildings which are built will be important in relation to the Riverside Church and Union Theological Seminary; and in view of the fact that I have myself made large investments in several of the institutions on the hill, outstanding among which are the Riverside Church and International House; I have reached the conclusion that I can regard Barnard as an exception and consider a modest gift to its present extension program."

However, in his letter to Dean McIntosh, dated April 12, Mr. Rockefeller told her of his decision to present the College with a \$1,000,000 gift, "a somewhat larger gift than I had originally contemplated." He said:

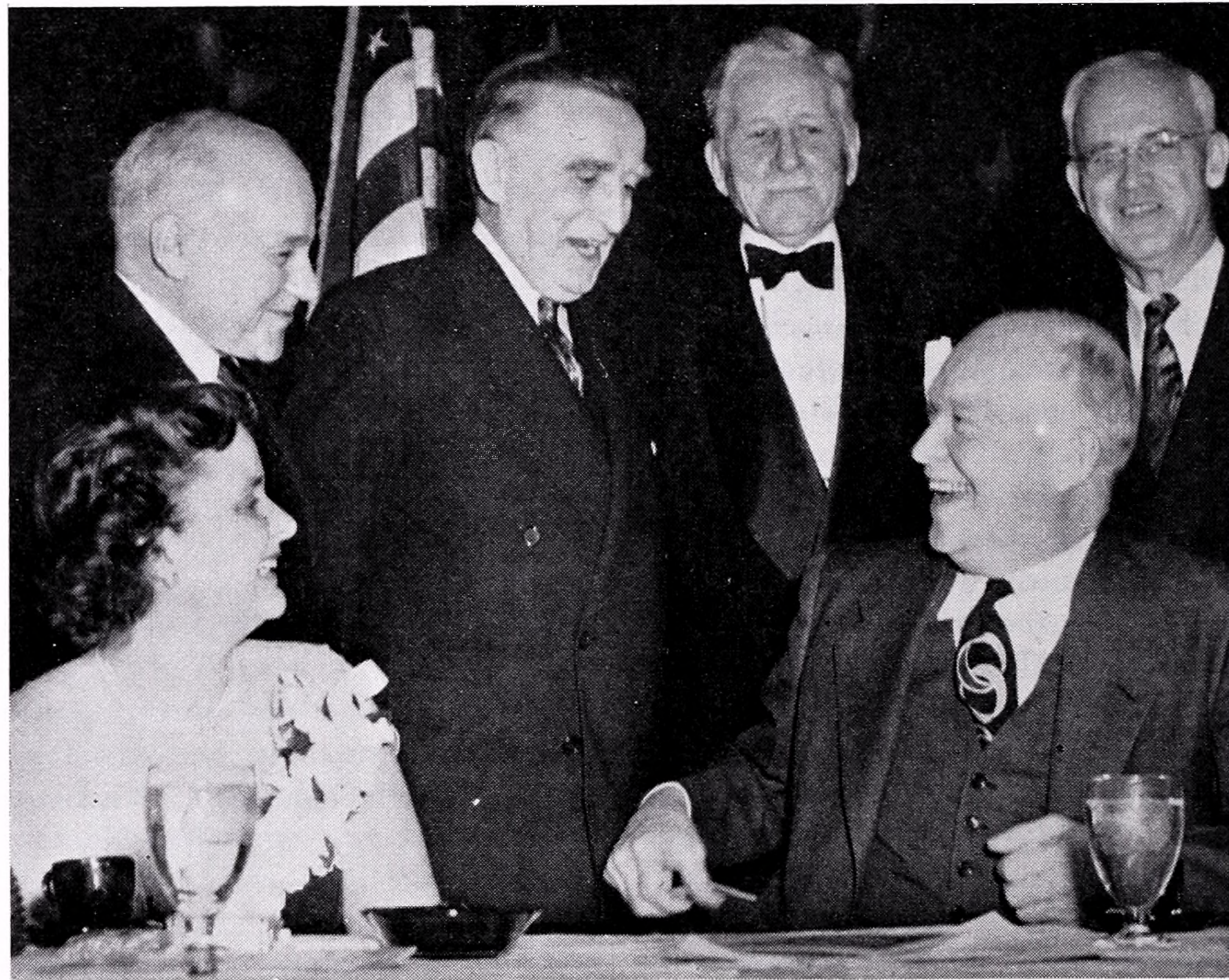
"Since writing to Mrs. Reid, I have

been giving careful thought to the full information you have furnished about Barnard's Development Campaign for \$10,800,000, of which approximately one-half is for endowment and special projects relating to the expansion and strengthening of the College's academic program, the other half relating to the College's need for basic repairs and remodeling of its present plant and the construction of a new academic building on Riverside Drive.

"It is my understanding that in this program the immediate need is to increase operating income in order to make possible a balanced budget and to retire accumulated deficit, and that

in so far as possible the College's building and repair program will be deferred until adequate funds have been obtained to assure current solvency. This approach to the College's problem seems to me so eminently sound that I am glad to make a somewhat larger gift to its program than I had originally contemplated.

"As you know, I am keenly interested in the character of the proposed building on Riverside Drive and its architectural relationship to Riverside Church and Union Theological Seminary. However, while I do not wish specifically to designate my gift for the new building but instead am making it for the over-all development program to be used in such ways as the Trustees of the College may in their discretion think best, it is my hope that ultimately it will be applied to the new building when the necessary monies therefor are available.



Kathleen Roderick Clift '33, president of Barnard-in-Washington, chats with President Dwight D. Eisenhower of Columbia University and four other guests at a joint Barnard-Columbia dinner in honor of President Eisenhower on March 30 at the Hotel Statler in Washington, D. C. President Eisenhower's address was entitled "Looking ahead with Courage and Confidence." Standing, left to right, are George Cooper, president of the Affiliated Columbia Clubs; Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney; General Patrick Hurley; and Senator Arthur V. Watkins.

Other Barnard alumnae present included *Mary McPike McLaughlin '33*; *Mary Murphy Knight '33*; *Margaret Leatherwood Bourgerie '33*; *Ethel Weiss '44*; and *Mabel Smith '32*.

"Meanwhile I realize that the most pressing need of the College is to provide for its current solvency, and it is my thought that until adequate funds are obtained for that purpose, the income from this gift can be helpfully applied to the operating requirements of the College."

In addition to Mr. Rockefeller's gift, about \$324,000 had been pledged to the Development Fund on April 28. Included in this amount are pledges and gifts ranging from \$100 to \$50,000 from alumnae, trustees and friends of the College. In New York City, former students had already pledged \$79,169.62, and in Westchester County, N. Y., \$16,377.50 had been pledged. Faculty and staff of the College had contributed \$16,946.27.

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approximately \$100,000 a year. Of this sum, \$40,000 will be set aside for extra scholarships for students now in college.

It was also announced at the meeting that the Associate Alumnae have designated \$6,000 of the bequest from the estate of *Lilyan Stokes Darlington '24* to be used for brick and cement walks between Barnard Hall and Milbank.

CUTS ALLOWED

Beginning next fall, only freshmen will be penalized for not attending classes at Barnard, according to a new faculty ruling announced by Dean McIntosh. The faculty voted at a meeting on March 27 to take attendance in all classes, but to abolish penalties for all upper classmen. The penalty for excessive absence or tardiness involves a reduction of point credits earned toward the degree requirement.

This decision was reached by the faculty after lengthy discussions at previous staff meetings, as well as student discussions at College meetings. The students had asked for complete abolition of penalties for all students and had support for their request from a group of the faculty. Penalties for the freshmen are based on the argument that first year students need the discipline of required attendance at classes.

Three consecutive absences of any student will still be reported to the registrar, but this will only be an informative measure, necessary as a protection



IRMA SIMONTON BLACK '27

A CHILD'S AUTHOR

The author of "Maggie, a Mischievous Magpie," "The Bread That Betsy Ate," "Spoodles," "Toby, a Curious Cat," and other children's books—eleven in all, including co-authorship of "The Taxi That Hurried"—is a Barnard alumna who has solved the much-debated question of how motherhood and a career can best be combined by devoting her vocational efforts to children.

After graduating in 1927 from Barnard, where she had been named a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Irma Simonton Black, then Miss Simonton, worked "in several offices" and at Scribner's book store. She took a job as a governess with an eye to a trip to Europe later, but, fascinated by her young charges, soon lost sight of her original objective. Instead of touring Europe as planned, she turned to nursery school teaching and attended the School for Teachers in New York City in 1931, the year before it was officially opened to enrollment. There she was one of a group she describes as "guinea pigs"—teachers in progressive schools, for the most part, who were invited to take courses and participate in building a progressive curriculum for a teacher training school.

From 1931 to 1936 she taught at the Harriet Johnson Nursery School, marry-

ing James Hammond Black in 1934. "My husband is, and was then, a lawyer, but he had come to New York to teach biology at N. Y. U. and has always maintained an interest in education," she says. In 1936, their daughter Connie was born, and Mrs. Black gave up regular teaching to devote more time to her. Turning to psychological research at the Bank Street Schools, where she served on the faculty as an associate from 1936 to 1942, she gradually worked back into a full-time job. In accordance with her mother's firm belief in the value of pre-school age training, Connie was entered in a nursery school at the age of two; since then she has attended the City and Country School, from which she will graduate this June. After the publication of her first children's book in 1938, Mrs. Black decided to continue her work in that field. "I have gradually given more and more time to writing, until now it is my major interest. I find it an ideal method of combining family and professional activity," Mrs. Black explains. Meantime she has continued her own education, doing graduate work in clinical psychology at New York University. She is the author of several articles, including a "Life With Junior" series published weekly in PM and the New York Star from 1944 to 1949, which is now being reprinted in the Ottawa Citizen at the request of several civic and educational organizations, and a feature series on current research in the field of child development called "News About Children," now appearing in the Ladies Home Journal. Two books for adults also appear on her list of publications: "Off to a Good Start, a Handbook for Modern Parents," which was given honorable mention by the Parents Magazine Award Committee after its publication in 1946, and "Child Life in School, a Study of Seven-Year Olds," which Mrs. Black co-authored in 1942. As secretary to the Writers Laboratory, a member of the Committee on Studies and Publications of the Bank Street Schools—and as an author, wife, and mother—Mrs. Black manages to keep busy. Household duties, writing, meeting dates, and the author's unending search for new story ideas fill her days. Life for Mrs. Black may be hectic at times, but it is never dull.

HISTORY OF BARNARD CLUB REVEALED

Last month the Monthly announced that Associate Dean *Florence Lowther '12* would make an address about Barnard before members of the Barnard Club at a meeting on May 12. Since then, it has come to our attention that the Club, which was founded in 1894 by one hundred people interested in the founding of Barnard College, is little-known among Barnard alumnae.

Annette Decker Kynaston '27, a member of the Club, has kindly provided us with the following material included in a talk given in 1942 by Florence Morse Hillard, now deceased, who was one of the charter members of the Club.

"In 1890 a school for young women, founded by Dr. F. A. P. Barnard, was struggling to develop under the wing of Columbia College. Dr. Barnard was president of Columbia, and it was quite natural that many of the professors and their wives would also be interested in any plan to make popular the movement toward higher education for women to be associated with Columbia College.

Ginger Jar Voting

"This group of men and women decided to form a club and invite others to become members who would undertake to secure money for carrying out this plan. The meetings were held for the first year in Miss Spence's School, 6 East 48th Street. The names of the candidates for membership were placed in a ginger jar and voted upon by a committee on admission.

"At that time Carnegie Hall was going up and we decided to take the entire ninth floor on the south side of the building—the Author's Club had already taken the space across the hall. From our long row of sunny windows, we could see Brooklyn Bridge, with no intervening towers. A committee was formed to lay out the floor; we went up on ladders and soon had plans made for an entrance room, a large reception room, a library, with kitchen, coat room, and other necessary arrangements.

"Here we stayed until 1926, when we came to our present home. (Editor's note: The Barnard Club now meets in the Barnard College Club rooms in the Barbizon Hotel.) The club rooms were open from 9 A.M. to 11 P.M., often until midnight. There were many late

parties after the concerts in the main hall below. Sunday afternoons were especially enjoyable, when a certain group of men and women would meet for tea and talk. Among them were Mary Mapes Dodge, for fifty years editor of "St. Nicholas," Kate Douglas Wiggin, the Frank Stocktons, Ruth McEnery Stuart, Elizabeth Custer, and even Mark Twain and Gellett Burgess on one occasion. New Year's day and Washington's birthday were celebrated by memorable luncheons.

Purely Social

"In 1898 there were 656 members. The dues, ten dollars for husband and wife, remained the same as when we started. The treasurer was instructed to put aside a sum each year for the scholarship fund of Barnard College, which was beginning to take shape. Twenty years later, in 1919, we were 526. As there were forty-one names on the waiting list, the board decided to limit the membership to 700. During this time there were many members who desired a club house. Meetings were held at frequent intervals to discuss the matter and vote upon it. Mrs. Frederick Ferris Thompson even offered us a house, but the older members were against the idea. Finally a large group resigned and, with others, formed the Cosmopolitan Club.

"Barnard College did not need our help now. We became a purely social club, with a delightful membership, including authors, artists, bankers, lawyers, and diplomats. The Walter Hines Pages, Robert Underwood Johnsons, the Blaskfields, the John Crosby Browns, the George F. Bakers and Seth Low, president of Columbia, are only a few of the names that could be found in our club book. In more recent years, the name of our club became a sort of handicap, many thinking that members must be graduates of Barnard. At one time, there was a possibility of changing our name.

Guests From Abroad

"Our library contained 1,000 volumes; many of the books were autographed copies given by the author members. When the National Arts Club was formed, Charles de Kay, the president, wished to take us, en bloc, into

that club. We had a notable list of well-known visitors from other countries—among them Henry James, Hugh Walpole, Lord Dany, and Sarah Grand, who wrote "The Heavenly Twins."

"To belong to Barnard Club was a *must* in those days, before other clubs were organized. A clipping sent to me from London urged visitors to New York to be sure and visit Barnard Club and enjoy its hospitality!"

JOINT CURRICULUM

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study than would be financially possible to maintain alone.

Working with Professor Niebuhr and Chaplain Pike on the new curriculum were Dr. John Dillenberger, assistant professor of religion at Barnard and Columbia, and Dr. John Smith, assistant professor of philosophy and religion at Barnard.

The curriculum, consisting of thirty-six courses, will include courses taught by outstanding scholars representative of each of the major faiths. There will be courses in the principles of Judaism and Christianity, the Bible, the history of religious thought and institutions, personal and social ethics and oriental religions.



Two participants in the annual Barnard Folk Festival, held on March 30 in Barnard Hall, were Joan Wou of Woodside, N. Y., left, and Connie Wright of Paterson, N. J., right, pictured as they practiced for their performance.

AT THE CARNIVAL

The plans for the Pied Piper Carnival on Saturday, May 6, have expanded. There will be a pet show; voice recordings will be made by members of the English speech class; members of the Chinese Club will tell fortunes; the German Club has made a Hansel and Gretel gingerbread house for the occasion; there will be a photographer to take pictures of children (possibly as they pose with a Columbia "lion," a student dressed in a lion's costume); and a fishpond and grab-bag will be operated by members of the staff of "Focus." Members of Bulletin's staff will do sketches, and there will be a penny arcade, slides, a pony, a marionette show, a magician, clowns and door prizes. In short—a good time is in store for all!

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments and promotions just announced by the Dean's Office at Barnard, will be of interest to Barnard alumnae. All promotions are effective July 1, 1950.

Administrative Appointments:

Professor Thomas P. Peardon, Professor of Government, and Associate Dean of the Faculty from July 1, 1950, for a period of five years.

Dr. Lorna F. McGuire, Associate Professor of English, and Associate Dean of Student Administration from July 1, 1950, for a period of five years.

Marian Williston Smith, Director of Admissions from July 1, 1950.

Promotions:

From Associate Professor to Professor:

John A. Kouwenhoven, Ph.D., Professor of English

Marion R. Lawrence, Ph.D., Professor of Fine Arts

Richard P. Youtz, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology

John A. Moore, Ph.D., Professor of Zoology

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor:

Emma Dietz Stecher '25, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Chemistry

David A. Robertson, Jr., Ph.D., Associate Professor of English

Julius S. Held, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Fine Arts

Rene Albrecht-Carrie, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History

Virginia D. Harrington '24, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History

Gertrude Verity Rich '27, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Philosophy

Margaret Holland, A.M., Associate Professor of Physical Education
From Associate to Assistant Professor:

Helen Phelps Bailey '33, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of French

From Instructor to Assistant Professor:

Fern Yates '25, A.M., Assistant Professor of Physical Education

Bernice M. Wenzel, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychology

CLUB NOTES

• BROOKLYN

Barnard-in-Brooklyn honored the Brooklyn members of the senior class at a tea and sherry party April 16 at the Brooklyn Woman's Club. Members of the classes of 1948 and 1949 and the club's officers were hostesses for the afternoon.

The last general meeting of the year will take place in mid-May at which time elections will be held. The date of the meeting and the name and topic of the speaker will be announced in the mail. The last activity for the year will be a dinner in June.

• BUFFALO

The bridge and canasta party held by the Buffalo Barnard Club at the Elmwood-Franklin School April 28 was a successful climax to the winter season's activities.

The white elephant and baked goods sale, donated table prizes, and refreshments contributed to the enjoyment of the affair.

Among the special prizes were cream pitchers poured from the original mould belonging to Jessie Hoffman '18. Some of these were decorated by club members at the March 30 meeting.

• DETROIT

The Seven Eastern Women's Colleges group recently sponsored three Saturday benefit matinees. The programs were as successful in raising funds as they were in fulfilling the need for children's programs in Detroit. Marjorie Nichols Boone '31, president of the Barnard Detroit alumnae, coached the children who played the "Toy Symphony," the hit of the symphony program.

Barnard's share of the proceeds amounted to \$250 which has been sent to Barnard in the name of the club.

The committee is planning a similar children's project for next year on the basis of a

vote taken at the last matinee for the most popular feature.

• LOS ANGELES

The club held its April meeting on April 1, following a luncheon at the home of Olive Moore '19. The officers elected for the coming year are: president, Ruth Triggs Ingham '37; vice-president, Carol Grimshaw Dupy '18; secretary, Nancy Chollat-Namy Lenney '44, and treasurer, Marie Luckenbacker '21.

Ruth Triggs Ingham reported on the Associate Columbia Alumni meeting which she attended as Barnard's representative. Jessie Brown '02 reported on the Seven Colleges meeting held to discuss the annual summer party.

The club welcomed Misses May and Florence McCully from Teachers College who spoke about their visit to Barnard last summer.

• NEW YORK

A tea was held in honor of the class of 1950 by the Barnard-in-New York club members at the Barbizon May 3. Margery Eggleston '10 and Jacqueline Shadgen '44 were hostesses.

As of April 14 club contributions towards the Barnard Development Fund totalled \$14,318. The total gifts coming from the members of the club will be used for a specific project under the Development Fund which will be named for the club.

• PARIS

On March 11, Dorothy Leet '17, organizer of the Paris Club before the war, held a tea at Reid Hall for all Barnard alumnae in Paris to discuss ways they could help the College. Those present were Mary Frothingham Tolstoy '04, Anne Labordere Henry '36, Marianne Pilenco Meyer '39, Maude Hopkinson Traas '49, Christene Morris '48, Judith Mortenson '47, Ramona Thelander '48, Patricia Healy '46, Simone Dreyfus '49 and two Barnard juniors, Anne Atheling and Eva Wyler.

It was decided that the first thing the Paris Club could do was to welcome alumnae coming to Paris. They hope to help both the Barnard French Department and the French Club at College by sending them French autographed books and other gifts. One of the ultimate goals of the club is to complete the library's collection of French books.

An Advisory Committee was formed to centralize all activities and contacts with the College. The committee includes Marianne Pilenco Meyer, Maude Hopkinson Traas, and Simone Dreyfus.

• SAN FRANCISCO

The Barnard-in-San Francisco club dined in the checkered tablecloth, candle-in-bottle atmosphere of San Francisco's Italian district March 24. Those present were: Cecile Ludlam Ambler '31, Helen Sheehan Carroll '22, Edyth Fredericks '06, Susan Minor Chambers '11, and one guest. Cecile Ambler was welcomed back after her year's residence in San Diego.

• STATE OF WASHINGTON

On Sept. 9, the club met at the home of *Phyllis Hagmoe Cowan '43*, the club president. Kathleen Collins, a Barnard sophomore, informed the group of recent changes at Barnard. Kathleen is a Seven College Scholarship student.

Joan Raisbeck Escobosa '39 recently entertained the following members at her home: *Doris Carrington '46*, *Phyllis Hagmoe Cowan '43*, *Evelyn Hagmoe Green '40*, *Marie Chancellor Miller '16*, *Pauline Tarbox Schairer '35*, and *Florence Beach Terry '03*.

• WASHINGTON, D. C.

Members of the Barnard-in-Washington, D. C. Club met at the home of *Rhoda Milliken '18* April 26. Three alumnae who recently returned to this country talked about their travels abroad. *Margaret Leatherwood Bourgerie '33* spoke about her two years in Johannesburg, South Africa. *Margaret Martin '33* described her summer vacation in Europe, and *Ruth Anderson Katz '33* discussed her life and experiences while working in Germany.

CLASS NOTES

• DEATHS

'09 *Helen Newbold Black*, former Alumnae Fund agent; past vice president of the New Jersey State Board of Children's Guardians; former president, House for Aged Women, Jersey City, March 29.

'20 *Helen Calhoun Anders*, March 15. . . .
Mary Crookall Lanchantin, March 13.

• JOBS

'29 *Margaret Carrigan*, promoted to associate professor and head, English department, Arizona State College.

'30 *Jeanette Abelow Jarnow*, merchandise manager, main floor fashion group, Namm's, Brooklyn.

'33 *Eleanore Grushlaw Holzman*, teacher, techniques of mental testing, Brooklyn College. She received her Ph.D. in education, N. Y. U., Feb.

'36 *Mary Sherriff*, staff assistant, New York Telephone Co.

'38 *Edna Jones Peller*, statistics instructor, Psychological Foundation for Educational Research, Teachers College.

'39 *Denyse Barbet*, secretary-translator, National Catholic Welfare Conference, United Nations Affairs division.

'43 *Kathryn O'Connor Weichold*, clerk-typist, Atomic Energy Commission, N. Y. C.

'44 *Gladys Neuwirth Feldman*, librarian, reference department, Carnegie Pittsburgh Library. She will receive her M.S., Library School of Carnegie Tech., June. . . .
Ethel Weiss, conducting survey, administrative practices and problems of state governmental agencies administering state minimum wage laws, Women's Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor.

'45 *Anne Ross*, promoted to assistant professor, health and physical education, Washington University, St. Louis.

'46 *Alice Taylor Jacobson*, assistant to an editor, Carl Fischer, Inc., music publishers, N. Y. C.

'47 *Jean Connors Caldwell* and husband, Durham, Columbia '48, have established an advertising and free-lance writing business, Gardner, Mass.

'48 *Betty Lou Kirtley*, U. S. Department of State, foreign division, Southeast Asia, Washington, D. C. . . .
Corinne Simmons, casting department, Air Features, Inc. . . .
Barbara Szafranski, chemical laboratory assistant, Caswell, Strauss and Co., metal refining, Iselin, N. J.

'49 *Victoria Boothby* has been acting recently with the Shady Lane Playhouse, Marengo, Ill. and The Black Hills Passion Play, Spearfish, S. Dak. . . .
Alicelee Donoghue Conn, service representative, New York Telephone Co. . . .
Peggy McCay, resident ingenue, Theatre '49-'50, Dallas. . . .
Elizabeth Peterson, reservation agent, American Air Lines, La Guardia Field.

'50 *Doris Adelberg Orgel*, editorial assistant, Institute of Radio Engineers, N. Y. C. . . .
Eileen Brown, secretary, Barnard Placement Office. . . .
Virginia Riley Hyman, stenographer, Herald Tribune Fresh Air Fund. . . .
Mary Jane Smith, personnel department, Graybar Electric Co., N. Y. C.

• BIRTHS

'28 *Sylvia Cook Bergel*, Lawrence Cook, August 20.

'29 *Megan Laird Comini*, third child and second daughter, Adriana, March 4.

'31 *Ethel Couch Callaghan*, William John, Dec. 10, 1948.

'35 *Vivian Trombetta Walker*, second child and first daughter, April 24, 1949.

'37 *Edythe Friedman Levine*, Philip James, March 18.

'39 *June Kuffler Nelson*, Elizabeth, March 14. . . .
Marjorie Healy Sharp, third child and second son, Daniel Ward, March 14.

'40 *Louise Powell Burke*, Jeanne Powell, March 13. . . .
Frances Heagey Johnston, Christopher Moore, Feb. 26.

'41 *Sue Riley Clagett*, second child and first son, Dennis Marshall, Feb. 19.

'42 *Elizabeth Young Roberge*, second son, John Charles, Feb. 14.

'43 *Lucette Sanders Dix*, first child and first son, Sanders Lee, Jan. 12. . . .
Norma Shpetner Levin, Matthew Louis, March 24.

'44 *Carol Ruskin Farhi*, Paul Aaron, April 2.

'46 *Mary Louise Stewart Reid*, first child, Stewart, April 17.

'49 *Patricia Roth Hickerson*, first child, Rachel, Jan. 12.

• ALSO—

'18 Rutherford H. Towner, husband of *Marion Washburn*, died Jan. 3.

'22 A A Wyn Inc. recently published "The Handicapped Child: A Guide for Parents" of which *Edith Mendel Stern* is the co-author.

'27 John B. Ocheltree, husband of *Anna Stamm*, is first secretary and consul at the American Embassy, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

'28 An article on Dr. *Victoria Bradess*, assistant pathologist and medical examiner of Westchester, appeared in The New York Times, March 22.

'31 At the tenth conference of the International Federation of University Women in Switzerland, August 5-12, *Anne Gary Pannell*, dean of Goucher College, will speak on education and human rights. She will represent the American Association of University Women.

'40 *Irma Zwergel Sherwood* is the author of the recently published article "The Novelists as Commentators" in "The Age of Johnson," a collection of essays on the eighteenth century. She is also co-compiler of "A Writer's Reader," a textbook on the essay.

• MARRIAGES

'32 *Selma Eron*—Bernard Ehrenpreis.

'38 *Mary Hagan Ackerman* — Robert Pepper.

'40 *Barbara Eshleman*—Peter Hitt, Yale graduate, with Whiteford Paper Co., N. Y. C., March 11. Barbara is a member of the public health research department, Cornell Medical College. . . .
Mary Ragno—Dr. Damien Maccarron, in Rome, Italy, Sept. 18.

'43 *Mary Roberta Bradford* — Howard Fishel, 1948.

'45 *Katherine Flint*—Arthur J. Shadek.

'47 *Bernice Mattus*—Fred Hift.

'48 *Mary Frank Bradford* — Eliot Farley, Jr., Feb. 25.

'50 *Cynthia Evans*—Robert Covey, Jan. 5.