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Many Noted Actors To Come in April

Clare Tree Major presents Mabel Taliaferro and the Children’s Theatre Company in the “Prince’s Secret” by Clare Tree Major and Katrina Hincks on April 9 at 3:45 p.m. in our auditorium.

The Student Council is sponsoring this production in order to increase the Auditorium Equipment Fund, or, the amount necessary to purchase a radio.

As it is still a little too early to stroll in the garden, T. C. or the Garden Club plans to transform the Albert Gardner Boyden Gymnasium into “A Garden,” on the evening of March 29. The moonlight would not be complete without stars—the twinkling type and otherwise—so in keeping with the atmosphere music will be played by “The Band of the Silver Star”.

Many Campbell, president of the club, is general chairman, and the other committees are: Andrey Tripp, hospitality; Esther Leppala, decorations; Helen Linshan, clean-up; Marion Moore, orchestra; Theresa Doherty, tickets; Constance Nash, publicity; and Anna Tripp, refreshments. Mr. and Mrs. Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. Huffington, Mr. and Mrs.olly, and Miss Pope are to be patrons and patroesses of the evening.

T. C. invites all to come and brush up on their astronomy!

Shakespearean Drama To Be Given May 10

“A Midsummer Night’s Dream” is to be presented by Dramatic Club on May 10 as its last performance for this year. Members of the dancing class and six men of the college are organizing the club. The cast is as follows:

Thespius, duke of Athens
Dorothy Gleason
Egeus, father to Hermia
Helen Robertson
Lysander, betrothed to Hermia
Jane Carroll
Demetrius, cousin to Helena
Sally Noyes
Ruth Mannion
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Social Calendar

March 22—Fraternity Dance.
March 29—T. C. Social.
April 5—Campus Comment Musical Comedy.
April 26—Glee Club Concert.
May 3—Alpha Dance.
May 10—Dramatic Club Play.
May 17—Freshman Social.
May 24—Campus Carnival.
May 29—Memorial Recyes.
June 10—Senior Prom.
June 13—Faculty Reception.

“L’Illustration” To Be Classified

In order that the entire college may receive the utmost benefit from “L’Illustration”, articles in back numbers are being classified under main subjects. The magazine comes bi-weekly to the French department and is a storehouse of valuable material on many subjects.

Any department, teacher, or student should feel free to call upon the French department for material which may be found in “L’Illustration”. Subjects under which articles have been catalogued are the following: architecture, art, chateaux, costumes, interior decoration, education, history, philosophy, art, tennis, travel.

The French department will be glad to look up and translate articles on the above subjects, and other subjects, as desired. Those who enjoy reading Modern French will find a supplement by each number, “La Petite Illustration”, which contains a complete modern novel or play.

Todd Lecturer Dr. E. L. Thorndike, Will Speak Here Wednesday, April 10

Dr. Edward Lee Thorndike, eminent psychologist at Teachers College, Columbia, and author of numerous books on that subject, will speak to the members of the college and their friends on Wednesday, April 10, at 2.30, as a presentation of the Todd Lecture Fund. His subject, “Recent Discoveries Concerning the Learning Process” indicates the lecture will contain the results of some contemporary investigations in the field of psychology. Of late, Dr. Thorndike has set forth a number of theories on subjects such as progress and growth in learning, and his views on these subjects have been the center of much discussion.

The Todd Lecture Fund, which allows us this unusual opportunity of hearing Dr. Thorndike, has now become the means of a yearly treat of this nature to all students of state teachers colleges throughout Massachusetts. The fund which makes these lectures possible was started by a rich merchant named Henry Todd. He left a sum of money for the normal schools in Massachusetts which lay idle for a number of years. Finally, the State Department decided to use the income of this money, which had been accumulating, as a means of obtaining a lecture for the normal schools once every year. This procedure began as early as 1927 and has continued ever since. This year thereafter a “Todd Lecture” has been presented in each of the State Teachers Colleges throughout Massachusetts.

During the past few years we have heard several well-known persons of science, among them Dr. Albert Bushnell Hart, historian of Harvard University, in 1932 and Zona Gale, author of repute, in 1934.
EDITORIAL COMMENT

SPRING

Some of us are eagerly looking forward to spring, others sadly, hopefully, and fearfully.

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Group sentiment has a small part in our class and seems to gather on the steps, "It’s the last spring we’ll be here."

About this time the Alma Mater sends little chills and thrills along your spine. Your voice catches when they sing “Green Pastures Are Before Us” in church.

Yet how well tempered is all the emotion with the hope and anticipation of starting a career. You look ahead to a new life, new work, new acquaintances, and new worlds which is a grand and glorious feeling (if you’re not a pessimist). But now is the time you begin to look back at your college pranks, your friendship, your educational growth with mingled memories of joy, sadness, and satisfaction.

CONVENTION

The value of sending representatives from the college to national or state conventions has been questioned.

No college can exist within itself. During the past, Bridgewater has taken advantage of few of the opportunities provided for meeting and discussing problems with groups from other colleges. It is a member of but few associations.

Conventions, state and national, of educational associations, bring us in contact with new ideas and valuable suggestions, a broader scope of special fields, and a knowledge of outstanding personalities.

Conventions provide an opportunity not only to learn but to contribute. May we send our representatives to these meetings that they may grow individually and through their growth and leadership, raise the standards of Bridgewater?

One sage person has remarked that it will take more than an honor roll to make some people study.

Now that the baseball season is about to start, perhaps some organization will plan a rally for the team to give them a good send off before the first game.

It was hard to study Wednesday afternoon anyway, but the fire drill broke things up completely.

Delegates Report

Good Convention;

Paper Honored

Bridgewater received official recognition at the annual convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, Division of Teachers Colleges and Normal Schools, when George Jones, editor of Campus Comment, was elected a member of the national executive board, to serve for two years. New England will also be represented on the board of five, by Miss Porter of Salem Teachers College, adviser to the "Deacon." Those in attendance at the convention from the institution were Olire H. Lovett, faculty adviser; and George Jones ‘23, Muriel Eyer ‘26, and Virginia Bouthie ‘28.

The rating which Campus Comment received in the annual contest was the same as last year, and continues to place it in the average group.

Among the notable speakers at the convention were: Collins, radio news reader; Lee Hals, poet; William E. Haskell, of the Herald Tribune; and Edwin L. James, managing editor of the "Deacon." Again this year, however, it was the smaller group meetings which proved most valuable. The Bridgewater delegation, because of its large size, was able to cover these meetings more fully than last year. Among the topics under discussion were censorship, sports news, feature news, copy, improved makeup, new trends in advertising, and preparation of copy.

Joseph M. Murphy, director of the association, and a graduate of Bridgewater, spoke to the Teachers College (Convention, continued on page 3)

Journalism Classes

In charge of Issue

That the "Deacon" has left the paper in capable hands is evidenced by the news in this issue. The senior journalism class, to show its skill in school paper management and journalistic writing, readily agreed to put out this issue of "Campus Comment" when Mr. Jones suggested to Miss Lovett that the class take over the project while several members of the staff are attending a conference in New York.

Mr. Jones thought this an excellent opportunity "to kill two birds with one stone"—that of attending the conference and having the paper printed by others at the same time. "He did his work for him," says Miss Lovett. You know "Deacon!"

The primary business of assignments, news articles, and copy work, other than editorials and column material, is "covered" by members of the senior class. Elected to temporary positions on the "Campus Comment" staff for this issue are:

News editor .......... Donald Ross
Assistant news editor .......... Mary Reiley
Copy editor .......... Hazel Smith
Assistant copy editor .......... Joseph Murphy
Exchange editor .......... Jeanette Parmenter
Special editor .......... Anna Tripp
Circulation editor .......... Madeline Amsden
Business manager .......... Walter Johnson

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Final arrangements for the last speaker in this year’s season have not yet been made; the committee will welcome any suggestions from the students and faculty.

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To Speak Next Year

With Hitler’s recent proclamation to the world of his proposed plans for immediate enlargement of his army, the talk in "diplomatic" circles has changed from peace to war. The plans for disarmament which have taken the political stage ever since the Great War have been abandoned in favor of arming to full treaty terms; a recent broadcast stated the fact that the plan of Hitler sets the world back for at least twenty-five years as far as disarmament is concerned. The governments of Italy, France, and Great Britain immediately sent notes among themselves to discover any answer to this phase of breaking of the Treaty of Versailles. As yet the result of these diplomatic notes have not been ascertained. The world at large is most interested in these notes; who knows but the answers may constitute a veritable declaration of war?

The recent cessation of war-like action between Russia and Japan may be an indication that the Allied Powers are becoming aligned in their positions in preparation for another war similar to the last. The proposed pact of France, Russia, Italy, and Great Britain for the prevention of war may turn into a new alliance for the purpose of waging a war against a common enemy: in this case, Germany.

The problem which faces every one of the younger people in America as well as every foreign country is how to prevent this war which at the present seems imminent. When we see the results of the last war as evident in the political and political upheavals which we see now, we are led to wonder what results would come from a war today with the new developments in gas and war machines.

America’s particular problem is one which appears insurmountable: how to prevent being drawn into a war in the event of political upheavals which will wage this war are those in college today. It is up to every individual to be posted on international affairs; it is his duty to himself as well as to the nation at large.

When a war comes, if one does come, let us be prepared with knowledge as well as with arms.

The newspaper stand should do a great business now that there is something in them which affects every individual in this college. We, as a group of students, should see to it that we are as well informed, if not better, than the "average" person.

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The Notorious Gang Interprets B. T. C.

The "Notorious Gang" tried to get this poem in Campus Comment when they were freshmen but with so readable lines for that they are seniorizing and have that well known expression called "pull" they have been successful.

Here is their interpretation of Bridgewater when they were freshmen with an added few lines of their attitude now.

We are the jolly Freshmen We do not seem to care, For rules and regulations We give them all the air.

In reception rooms we linger With faces full of glee To watch our upperclassmen Trying to make whoopee!

The A's and B's are so-so The C's are rather slow But when it comes to formulas The D's are sure to go.

Although we haven't the sweetness Possessed by A's and B's We think that we know better Than to eat so much at teas.

Since we are only Freshmen We have a chance to grow Into charming, cultured teachers Though the process may be slow.

"The Notorious Gang".

Senior Year

Now that we are Seniors And have acquired that poise and charm We wish we still were Freshmen And did not give a dARN.

Mabel Pratt '21 Lauds New B. T. C.

Tells Struggle of Graduate Study

May the ambition and determination of Mabel Pratt, '28, be an inspiration to the undergraduates here at school, who will recognize in her the perpetual incentive and admiration of being a graduate in every respect.

"I set about taking courses of college study as a seniorizing junior in the beginning of my freshman year and have continued to do so ever since. I have always been very interested in the work and have made it a point to do well in every class."

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Wandering Through the Seasons

I was dreaming in the twilight When a vision crossed my mind Of an artist with his brushes Painting scenes of various kinds.

As he worked I saw his magic Transform the scenes of seasons four— Autumn, winter, spring, and summer Opening Mother Nature's store.

Flowering leaves of warm rich colors Orange, red, and scarlet hue Leaving trees so lone and barren Showed me autumn's view.

Then from out the distant heavens Came the swirling flakes of white Trees and ground and housetops covered In the path of winter's flight.

Now the blades of grass appearing Close to yonder rippling brook, Match the fragrant buds of springtime Far within the forest nook.

Lastly comes the glorious summer, Gentle winds and flowers fair, And a feeling of sweet calmness Seems to permeate the air.

But, to what avail the dreaming Of the future and the past? There is not time like the present; Let us live it while it lasts.

—Justin McCarthy

Nine Fredericks Normal students have been working on a milk survey. The duty of the student workers is to interview families to determine just how much milk is being consumed. The results of this survey will be sent to the state department at Albany.

Journalism—

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Division on Friday evening before the dinner dance of that group at the Hotel Montclair.

The general sessions of the convention were held at Columbus on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, concluding with a luncheon at the Hotel Commodore on Saturday. Over 1,400 students registered for the annual conclave.

Of course there was more to the trip than appeared in the official program, as any of the delegates would readily point out. For the Bridge water group these “other activities” included a number of things, from the usual round of sightseeing to attending a performance of “The Barretts of Wimpole Street” — where John Erskine was seen in the audience,— to swimming in the Shelburne pool to— oh yes, that nice policeman in Larchmont.

A committee to combat cheating in examinations has been appointed at Fredericks. This committee is to draw up plans and suggest rules for establishing a court of honor.

"Then Radcliffe drew up the requirements I had to adhere to. Four courses in one year (most graduate students take only three, some only two); pass exams in French and German; without protest if at any time I received a grade below B. I took four history courses (History of the Westward Movement, Diplomatic History of U. S., Early English Constitutional History, all of which were full year courses, and two half year courses) in Modern European History and Diplomacy of the World War. I also took a half course in German and then studied French and German by myself with the aid of a dictionary and passed my language exams. I had to study a lot because I had a heavy program."

(Mabel Pratt, continued on page 4)
N. A. A. Hails Spring; Begin to Practice Baseball, Tennis

Spring arrived yesterday, and the N. A. A. has taken a new lease of life in keeping with the new season. Baseball and tennis activities are already under way, with determined efforts being made to build up powerful teams in both sports.

Owing to the fact that the junior men are going out training on April 8, baseball practice began Monday, following immediately after the completion of the basketball season. Battery workouts will be held twice weekly in the gym till warmer weather permits outdoor practice.

"The big problem in baseball this year," declared Frank Crosier, Director of Athletics, "will be finding a good catcher. With the graduation of Freddy Meier last June we lost a man whose position will be hard to fill. Heavy hitter from last year, Whitcomb, Nicerson, and Long, who should be able to keep the pitcher's box occupied this season, and Bowies and student-coach Tierney in the infield, but there still remain six positions to be filled."

Among the freshmen candidates who present promising material are Nash and Cushman, who have already succeeded in establishing themselves in the varsity basketball squad this year, and Mc Govern, who displays real fielding ability.

With regular practice sessions twice weekly it is expected that the full team will be prepared for the first game on April 10, when the B. T. C. goes to Providence to play the Providence College freshmen. This initial contest will be followed by fifteen other games which have been arranged by Manager Cook.

Tennis practice also began this week with warm-up sessions in the gym. Student-coach Moran plans to have stroking practice against the junior men on Monday afternoons with Carol Coulter at the head.

Constance Nash has charge of base ball which is played on Thursday.

There will be honor teams for each one of these sports and the points will go toward the Red or White absentee. W. A. A. is also looking into the question of a play day between Framingham and Wheaton or Framingham and Salem.

PLAY—

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Philosodactyl, master of the revels Theseeus Elizabeth Maynard Quince, a carpenter

Harold Brewer

Bottom, a weaver... Donald Welch Flute, a bellows-mender

George Johnston

Snout, a tinker... Justin McCarthy Snug, a joiner... Charles Medvitz Starveling, a tailor

Benjamin Bump

Hippolyta, queen of the Amazons, betrothed to Theseus Elsa Johnson

Hera, daughter to Egeus, betrothed to Lysander

Barbara Schmaltz

Helena, in love with Demetrius Cecilia Perkins

Oberon, king of the fairies Irene Kidd

Titania, queen of the fairies Virginia Cochran

Puck, or Robin Goodfellow Dorothy Woodward

An art committee consisting of one member from each class has been organized in connection with the Dramatic Club. Those on the committee are Patricia Fliberty, Irene Tyvar, and Margaret Carlson. Each year a new member will be chosen from the freshman class. This group, under the direction of Miss Nye, will take charge of the construction and painting of scenery for the plays.

Mr. Louis C. Stearns Ousamequin Speaker

Mr. Louis C. Stearns of this college is to be the speaker at the next meeting of the Ousamequin Junior German Club to be held Monday, March twenty-fifth, at the Trinity Parish House at 7:30 P. M. This meeting will be in charge of the conservation committee: Amelia Perkins, chairman, assisted by Esther Hirtle and Isabel Garcia. Miss Perkins will introduce Mr. Stearns, who will speak on "Wild Flowers." Following the lecture, a scavenger hunt to which gentlemen are invited will take place under the direction of Ken Carroll.

Miss Norma Delorey, president of the Rockland Junior Women's Club and a junior at this college, will be in charge of an entertainment given by her club, March eleventh, before the Ousamequin Club. This meeting was one of the exchange meetings between the two clubs, Bridgewater having gone to Rockland in December.

The Rockland Club presented two plays, "Light-Fingered Lady" and "Toast and Tea." Several musical numbers were sung by the Cliff trio. Two Rockland girls who recently won several prizes at the Stock Furrier Amusement Night program, Eleanor Thompson and Rae Eagan, sang a group of popular songs.

Team was served by a hospitality committee consisting of Margaret Keith, Florence Burrill, Frances Burrill and Marie Picket.

MABEL PRATT—

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and because my background wasn't so good as that of the girls who had majored in history there or at Wellesley, etc. I spent all day every day in the library—holidays and vacations, too. As one professor used to tell me, "Time is the noblest of a serious student should be to take Christmas as a real holiday and knock off studying—be thankful for the other holidays as a chance to get a bit of work on your thesis."

"I didn't see so much of the social side of Radcliffe as I should have liked. I regretted, for instance, not having time to join the choral club. I did go to several of the dances, all the teas and informal social events especially held for graduate students.

I think my biggest thrill was having my own desk in the stacks at Widner Library and really getting acquainted with the boys working on Ph.D. theses. It filled me with ambition when one Ph.D. candidate asked my advice and had me edit his thesis before passing it in. I loved working under men who are famous all over the world—men like Professor McDivain, acclaimed at Oxford, Sydney Bradshaw Pay who is the man on modern European affairs. They were all great to me.

REALGARS—

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Unusual rhythmic interpretations will be performed by the chorus composed of Betty Norton, Margaret Cook, Kathryn Fliberty, Dorcas Moulson, Elaine Dillon, Dorothy Chase, Mabel Pratt, Kathleen, Dorothy Baurr, Phyllis Roberts, Thelma Beck, Owen Kierman, and Richard Zeoli, under the direction of Grace Jacobs.

New Spring Program Announced by W.A.A.

Tap dancing, volley ball, tennis, and baseball have opened the spring season of W. A. A. with a bang.

Tap dancing, under the able leadership of Norma Delorey, is held in the men's room every Thursday.

Mary McLaughlin, head of volley ball, holds her classes every Monday.

Tennisquilt is played on Monday afternoons with Carol Coulter at the head.

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Spring Flower Show Features Mushrooms; Trip To Be Planned

Do you want to attend the Annual Spring Flower Show? Reports state that it will be the best show since the Centennial Exhibition in 1929.

For about eighteen years, a trip from the college has been made annually, with as many as seventy-five students attending in one year. The exhibition opens at noon on March 25 and lasts until 5 P.M. on March 30. Mushroom lovers will be pleased to hear that a new attraction this year will be a bed of those delectables in their natural surroundings.

Hundred Working Under F. E. R. A.

That there is an average of one hundred working and a payroll of about $200 per week was revealed by an investigation of the F. E. R. A. work which is being done at B. T. C.

Students are engaged in various types of work. Some may be seen working on the grounds and around the buildings; others have opportunity to work along educational lines doing special services for the departments of the college—classical work, library work, research, and survey.

Of the 263 students who have applied for work all but 23 have been gainfully employed at some time during the year.

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