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Bicycles Featured
Friday Evening
At Semi-Formal

The annual semi-formal sponsored by Alpha was held Friday, May 3, in the gymnasium. Dancing, to the music of Bernard Loring’s orchestra, lasted from eight-thirty P. M. to one A. M.

The decorations were black and white and depicted the Past and Future or Looking Backward and Ahead. Bicycles, which were fashionable a few years ago, as well as modern “bikes” supported this theme. A replica of a bicycle, representing Alpha, was given an important place in the decorations.

Lemira Smith, the general chairman, had the following people assisting her: Ruth Valley, Claire Cook, Marlon Chambers, Ruth Bumpus, Constance Nash, and George Higgins.

Goon in Town

A reporter from Campus Comment interviewed Mr. Goon shortly after he came down from his perch on Livio's ledge opposite Woodward. He expressed surprise that his appearance on the Campus prompted so much surprise as he has been here before and hopes to be here again in the near future. Harry Goon said that he was accosted by several young men who had been crystal gazing late Tuesday night and was given a suspended sentence. H. Goon is now residing in Woodward Hall and hopes to see all his friends there.

Provincetown Goal

Heads Trip Series

Do you ever feel the urge to climb a mountain? If you do, here is your opportunity. Have you ever wanted to investigate historic Provincetown and other spots of interest on the Cape? If you have, your wishes too, may be fulfilled.

Under the direction of Mr. Huffman, two trips will be conducted in the near future. The first of these, to Provincetown, took place May 4. The first stop of the trip was at Barnstable where the group surveyed the sand dunes. Next at North Truro in investigation was made of the glacial deposits, clay base, and the light house.

The third stop was at Provincetown itself which supplied much interest to the travelers. There may be (Geog., continued on page 3)

We, the faculty and student body of Bridgewater State Teachers College, wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mr. Edwin Denton in his recent bereavement.

Shakespearean Play to be Presented

One of B. T. C.'s most important events of the year will take place on Friday, May 10. Of course we are referring to the Dramatic Club play. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is to be presented at this time. Rehearsals are now being held under the direction of Miss Moffitt. Tickets will go on sale in the very near future.

The Cast is as follows:

Theseus, duke of Athens .......... Dorothy Gleason
Egeus, father to Hermia ........ Helen Robertson
Lyndsay, betrothed to Hermia .... Jane Carroll
Demetrius, once suitor to Helena, now in love with Hermia ... Ruth Manson
Philostrate, master of the revels to Theseus ... Elizabeth Maynard
Quince, a carpenter ................ Harold Brewer
Bottom, a weaver ................. Donald Welch
Flute, a bellows-mender .......... George Johnstone
Snout, a tailor .................... Charles Medveds
Starveling, a tailor .... Blanche Hamp
Hippolyta, queen of the Amazons, betrothed to Theseus ... Elsa Johnson
Hermia, daughter to Egeus, betrothed to Lyndsay .......... Barbara Schmaltz
Hermia, in love with Demetrius .... Cecilia Perkins
Theseus, king of the fairies ......... Irene Kidd
Titania, queen of the fairies ....... Virginia Cochrane
Puck or Robin Goodfellow ......... Dorothy Woodward
Peaseblossom ........................ Edith James
Cobden ............................. Edna La Green
Moth ............................... Edna Delaney
Mustardseed ........................ Arlene Kosmaler
Attendants on Hippolyta ......... Eunice Perkins
Appendants on Theseus ......... Alice Larson

Band of Silver Stars
For Freshman Social

With the date set for Friday, May 17, the freshmen are making their plans for their annual social which will be held in the gymnasium.

John McGovern, chairman of the music committee, has secured the Band of the Silver Stars to play for the dancing. Lawrence Hamlen is general chairman. The other committee chairmen are Richard Dewey in hospitality; Dorothy Cushman, publicity; Violet Kundis, tickets; John McFarland, music; Rowena Wynot, refreshments; Elzner Campbell, decorations; Polly Kuchmeister, clean-up.

Officers Elected
For Next Year

Some of the elections of officers for next year have been held by the various organizations. House officers of Woodward are Gertrude French, president; Eunice Perkins, vice-president; Betty Norton, secretary; Dorothy Barse, treasurer. The proctors are Harriet Robbins, Thelma Beek, Alice Blanchfield, Polly Hull, Barbara Polley, and Phyllis Morgan are assistant proctors. Officers of the Tillinghast are Barbara Smith, president; Madeline Connell, secretary; Joan Rigby, treasurer. Winifred Goodell and Doris Thompson are proctors.

Officers of the next senior class are Stephen Lovett, president; Ruth Flaherty, vice-president; Ruth Davis, secretary; Catherine Graham, treasurer. Junior class officers for next year are James Peebles, president; Katherine Donahue, vice-president; Nellie Beaton, secretary; Mary Barry, treasurer. George Johnston is president of next year's sophomore class and the other officers are Dorothy Perkins, vice-president; Eleanor Campbell, secretary; Shirley Dutton, treasurer.

The Student Cooperative Association has Barbara Albret for its president and Ruth Cronin, vice-president; Isabel Walsh, secretary; Helen Russell, treasurer. Day Student Council officers are: Ida Leino, president; Ethel Faustino, secretary; Anna Anderson, secretary; Marie Randall, treasurer.

Campus Carnival a
Slavonic Festival

The Campus Carnival will be held Friday, June 7, on the lawn beside the administration building. This year it is to be in the form of a Slavonic festival, each class having an active part. The freshmen will do a Czech-Croatian dance, the sophomores a Russian dance, and the juniors a Polish dance, in the costumes of the respective countries.

Around the campus there will be booths representing each country, with vendors dressed in the native costumes.

The general committee in charge of the affair is Doris Kelleher, Althea Sawyer, and Bernice Luddem. The following are in charge of the festival: Cornelia Sullivan, publicity; Thelma Westering, lighting; Catharine Graham, refreshments; E. Johnson, business manager; Arles Keller, hospitality; Louise Eldridge, clean-up; Helen Kovalchuk, construction; Harriet Hall, programs and tickets; Ritta Cushing, entertainment; Dorothy Turner, music; Ida Leino, costumes; Catherine Kelly, photography; Barbara Smith, booth, and Natalie Jeans, decorations.

John Haynes Holmes, Noted Lecturer,
Will Speak at B. T. C. Next Fall

John Haynes Holmes, noted lecturer, will speak at the college next fall under the auspices of the culture fund. Mr. Holmes, in a recent address at the Community Church Service in Symphony Hall, Boston, on Sunday morning, April 7, warned a record audience of 2,600 persons that plans proposed by Fr. Charles Coughlin, Senator Huey Long, and Dr. F. E. Townsend would wreck the government of the United States.

Mr. Holmes exorciated Father Coughlin as "a menace to the health, integrity and future of the United States," said "Kingfish" Huey Long as an American Hitler, and frowned on Dr. Townsend as the advocate of an old-age pension plan which all who "have studied grammar school arithmetic know to be financially impossible."

His topic was "Huey Long, Father Coughlin, Dr. Townsend: Demagogues or Deliverers?"

"Fr. Coughlin’s tirade against the world court," Mr. Holmes declared, "was one of the most dishonest and disreputable public statements ever made in the contemporary history of the United States. The planks of his program for the National Union for Social Justice represent the wanderings of a mind that is 100 percent illiterate or subjects outside the church. Most of them are platitudes which mean nothing or nothing at all."

Mr. Holmes characterized Huey Long as "the most important historic (Holmes, continued on page 3)
The recent nation-wide anti-war activities on the part of many of our educational institutions should not be laughed off as foolishly unimportant, nor should they be summarily condemned or hailed (according to individual disposition) as proof that Communism is making extraordinary headway in the United States. America is a country of extremists, anyway. If she builds a building, she builds the highest in the world. If she builds a stream-lined automobile, she puts an amoeba on wheels. If something happens that has the least shade of ulterior implication to it, we dash to one extreme end or the other and shout, "This is what the thing means and nothing else!"

Certain conscientious college students in the country set a date for appearing in a mass and saying, more or less quietly, "We do not like war." A certain over-zealousness caused some college students to disturb the routine of secondary school classes that was the exception; but what did we Americans do? Some of us shouted wrathfully, "The Bolsheviks are coming!" Others of us laughed and said, "Boys must play," and went placidly on. The country-wide reaction to the anti-war demonstrations seems to have been along two syllologisms: "Communists are pacifists; this is a pacificist demonstration, therefore it is run by communists", and "Boys must play; this is run by boys; therefore it is

The fact of the matter is that the college generation of today is not so far removed from the World War that it does not remember its horror, and it is trying to think out a way to avoid recurrence of the same horror. In almost all cases where the anti-war groups gathered there were speakers, including in college presidents. The meetings were held in the open forum with thoughtful students present. The great mass of students taking part in the demonstrations was made up of honest, conscientious young Americans who were trying to analyze a situation. It was the honest effort to clear a way out of the confusion—and any gathering whose purpose is to attempt to solve a social problem is worth-while.

Censorship

An interesting discussion was carried on recently in a junior literature class. It concerned the censorship of certain recent novels. The points brought out in that class may be applied equally well to the censorship of moving pictures. Some time ago, several pictures were banned from a near-by theater—pictures which had been adapted from novels such as Galsworthy's "One More River," "Of Human Bondage," and other books whose power and strength had impressed intellectual readers. This same screen showed recently a picture so empty, so superficial and so cheap that it was disgusting. When censorship becomes so blatantly inconsistent, something should be done about it. It may be said that Art and Truth are inseparable. Many of the pictures and books of America life are not true; most Americans live sensible lives, find themselves in the midst of conflicting emotions and conflicting social standards, and find that the progress of their lives is one of solving these very human problems.

Proverbs: Probably more important is the point brought out by "Zion's Herald" that "honest artists must have freedom to express and portray life as they see it—or grave moral dangers will grow!

Censorship is worth-while only when it is an agency completely stripped of financial, class, and denominational prejudice—ever asking just one question—is this (be it book, moving picture, painting or play) artistically worth-while?

In Graduate Fields

Dr. Edward Lincoln, 1911, Professor of Psychology, Harvard University, Graduate School of Education— the college teacher, like any college member of our profession, does many things. First, he tries to teach. In the Graduate School of Education we feel that one must be especially careful that our teaching is fairly good in order that we may set proper examples to the prospective teachers in our classes.

"A second important part of the college professor's work is his research. Many men find this to be the most interesting phase of their endeavors. In the field of education the need for this work is quite as great as in any other field. We know as a scientifically determined fact surprisingly little about children and about future learning, and we must increase our knowledge continually if we wish education to become effective.

"Personally, I have been interested in discovering facts about mental and physical growth. For many years some of us have been working on this problem by measuring and testing a large number of children every year as they pass from the first grade to high school. We have records of height, weight, body diameters and circumferences, mental age, accomplishments in reading and arithmetic, number of teeth, and development of the wrist bones as shown by X-ray photographs. Out of this mass of material we hope to get important facts about how children grow.

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Commuters Hold Beano Party

On Monday, April 29, from 3:45 to 5 o'clock, the commuters’ room was the scene of a gala beano party sponsored by the Day Students. Everyone in the school was invited, and for the scene of a gala beano party sponsored by the Day Students. Every­ one in the school was invited, and for the scene of a gala beano party sponsored by the Day Students. Every­ one in the school was invited, and for the scene of a gala beano party sponsored by the Day Students. Everyone in the school was invited, and for

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“FRENCH

The literary allusion contest which was sponsored by French Club was won by Dorothy Pilot. The prize was a book called “Les Belles Citations de la Littérature Française.” The al­ lusions handed in will be on exhibition in the library very soon.

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GEOLOGY—

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ing formations and will climb Mt. Sugarloaf.

The geology class will camp for the night at the foot of Mt. Tom. The next day will be spent in climbing Mt. Tom and in examining reptile tracks. Amherst College with its fine geological collections will be another point of interest.

SO WHAT?

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The lateness of the hour in returning home from the dance might have affected somewhat the men of the college in the keen game the next afternoon. However, it didn’t prevent Hap Mahoney from convincing an important part of our “mid-victorious” team that for absolutely nothing, except a few hours delay, Cab Calloway could what is to be called “Athletic Night.”

The alumni-varsity game of June 8. This year’s baseball schedule will be

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The baseball season will wind up with the best that Bridgewater has ever

seen. Of Professional Schools for Teachers College team to play here

With warm weather quickly ap­

proaching, the girl athletes eagerly

await the new track team to begin practice. Eleanor Campbell, with Sylv­

via Kruttenen as assistant, is to lead the group. Both girls have had much experience in outdoor track and should provide valuable assistance. If you can run, jump, or throw a discus here in front of a large and enthusiastic home rooting section.

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showed some tourists two skulls of Cleopatra—one as a girl and one as a woman?”

Dumb Frosh: “No, let’s hear it.”

We heard an amusing story the other day about the Mt. Monadnock field trip. It seems that one remark­

ably good-natured senior was carefully coming down the mountain-side, under the able direction of Mr. Donald Ross, when alas and alack she met with a slight accident. I’m not at liberty to go into details but I may say that the group was reached in safety and either of the couple will be glad to enlighten you upon inquiry.

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Gene (to Dr. Scott, about his essay):