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B. T. C. Mourns Loss of President

Sudden Death Shocks Campus



DR. JOHN J. KELLY (1883-1951)

M. Katherine Hill (1886-1951)

Miss M. Katherine Hill, a former member of the faculty at Bridgewater State Teachers College, passed away at her home, 49 South Street, on Friday, November 2. The funeral was held at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Bridgewater on Monday, November 5. Interment was in Randolph, where Miss Hill was born.

While on the faculty, from 1921 to 1949, Miss Hill was very interested in all forms of literature, especially drama. After her retirement she retained a deep interest in college affairs, and she gave a number of books to the college library. Since her death, many of her former students and those who knew her have expressed deep sorrow at the passing of an understanding teacher, held in high regard for her qualities and her individuality.

Dr. Kelly's Friends Pay Their Last Respects

At the solemn high mass of requiem, held Tuesday morning, at the St. Thomas Aquinas Church, members of the clergy, State and local education systems, college faculty, alumni, and undergraduates, business and fraternal associates gathered to pay tribute to Doctor John J. Kelly, beloved president of Bridgewater Teachers College. Business establishments in Bridgewater closed from 10 to 11 a.m., during the funeral services, and flags on public buildings were flown at half mast. Public school and Teachers College classes were dismissed for the day.

The Rev. Percival J. Quill was celebrant of the Mass; Rev. Gerard Creighton, deacon, and Rev. John Grant of Abington, sub deacon. Monsignor Cornelius Sherlock, Boston Di-

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The news of the sudden death of Dr. John J. Kelly set the entire school first into stunned silence, then into a sad realization that a great educator, leader, and friend had been lost. Although Dr. Kelly had suffered from an attack of coronary thrombosis in 1939, and had to restrain his activities somewhat, because of his weak heart, the heart attack which ended his life came as a complete shock to family and friends.

John Joseph Kelly was born on July 24, 1883 in Worcester, Mass. Later his parents moved to Fitchburg, where he attended the Fitchburg Public Schools and St. John's School, Fitchburg. He was graduated from Fitchburg Normal School, then took additional courses at Boston University School of Education, and at Boston College, doing graduate work in education.

His first teaching position was in Littleton; then he taught in Fitchburg and Springfield before coming to Bridgewater in 1918 as an instructor in Practical Arts, History of Education, School Law, and Ethics. In 1924, he was appointed the first Dean of Men, and in the same year, after the big fire of December 10, in which the school and the dormitories were burned, he was appointed by a committee consisting of Governor Fuller, Payson Smith, the Commissioner of Education, and Dr. A. C. Boyden, to plan and supervise a program of temporary reconstruction. Under Dean Kelly's guidance, school work was resumed after an interruption of but six days and the year's work was completed according to schedule. He assisted in the publication of the code of ethics of the Federation of Teachers Ethics Committee, serving as chairman for five years. He assisted in the National Survey of Athletics in Teachers Colleges. In 1926 he was made assistant to the president of Bridgewater, covering administrative and supervisory work. He was supervisor of off-campus practice teaching in Brockton, Cambridge, Quincy, Fall River, Taunton, Braintree, Bridgewater, Rockland, and Abington for ten years. It was in this phase of his work that he had an opportunity to visit numerous schools. As an adviser to the student organizations on the campus, and as guidance counselor to men students of the college, he had an opportunity to become acquainted with the students' problems.

Upon the resignation of Dr. Zenos Scott, who resigned to become Superintendent of Schools at Louisville,

Kentucky, Commissioner of Education James G. Reardon, with the approval of his advisory board, appointed Dean Kelly president of Bridgewater Teachers College. On assuming office, December 14, 1937, President Kelly began to organize the graduate school, and in cooperation with the Massachusetts Department of Education, the late afternoon, evening, and summer school classes were started at Bridgewater. President Kelly appointed a faculty committee to work with him in a study of the educational and physical aspects of the college, which included: preparation of faculty, the library, State appropriations, and content of courses of study. After an inspection of the college by representatives of the American Association of Teachers Colleges, the highest approving authority for teacher training, an invitation was extended to accept membership into the association, thus making Bridgewater an accredited Teachers College. On June 9, 1938, President Kelly was singularly honored by Providence College at a special convocation held during commencement, at which time President Kelly was made a doctor of laws for his recognized leadership as an educator and administrator. Presentation of this doctorate was made by the Very Reverend Frederick C. Foley, O.P., of Providence College. Later, a Doctor of Education degree was bestowed upon Doctor Kelly by the Rhode Island College of Education, this degree also being given for Doctor Kelly's leadership and administrative ability.

Doctor Kelly was a past president of the Plymouth County Teachers' Association and for several years he presided over their annual meeting which was held at the Teachers College. Doctor Kelly was a member of the South Shore Superintendents' Association, Massachusetts School Masters Association, Massachusetts State Teachers College Association, Plymouth County Teachers Association, Massachusetts School Superintendents Association, Massachusetts Teachers Federation, New England Association of Teachers Colleges, Eastern Association of Teachers Colleges, and he was a consultant of the education policies commission of the American Council on Education.

Dr. Kelly In Practice

With the death of Dr. John J. Kelly, the end of another chapter was written into the history of Bridgewater Teachers College. It was a chapter of trials but of progress, of hard work, but of satisfaction. It was a comparatively short chapter in the history of the school, covering only fourteen of one hundred and eleven years.

Yet during this period of time, under the guidance of Dr. Kelly and his associates, Bridgewater became a certified Teachers College. With the summer and evening courses, teachers from Southeastern Massachusetts flocked to Bridgewater to make it a Mecca of learning in the educational world. Dr. Kelly offered the facilities of the school to various education and youth programs. Under his guidance, Girls State, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, was welcomed to the campus, and full use of the dormitories and halls were extended to Auxiliary officials during the week after school closed each June. The Plymouth County Teachers Association was welcomed at Bridgewater, and until it got too large for the facilities, annual meetings were held in Horace Mann Auditorium. Dr. Kelly was a past president of this organization.

From the time that Dr. Kelly was Dean of Men, through his presidency, and up until his sudden death, he was interested in and encouraged athletics. When the town students had no other place to hold their home games, Dr. Kelly allowed them use of the gymnasium.

He retired only last year as president of Plymouth Deanery of the Holy Name Society and was tendered a testimonial as a token of his work for that organization. He also did considerable work for the benefit of St. Coletta's School in Hanover. And as a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent de Paul Society, there can be no doubt that his horizon was limited merely to the field of education.

One of Dr. Kelly's pet projects around the school was the setting aside of the Plymouth County Room, in the administration building, to be used to greet important guests who come to visit the College.

As an honorary member of Kappa Delta Phi, Alpha Chapter, he was scheduled to appear before the Commissioner of Education, on behalf of the men of the college this year, to get that fraternity officially recognized on campus.

It is hoped that the example Doctor Kelly set as an educator, philosopher, friend, administrator, idealist, philanthropist, and guide will become a living Bridgewater tradition, and though there may be many more chapters to come in the history of Bridgewater Teachers College, this era through which Dr. Kelly has led us will stand as one of the most illuminating.

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Dr. Kelly In Theory

Dr. John J. Kelly constantly stressed the importance of spiritual and moral values of education. From the time that Dr. Kelly first came to Bridgewater in 1918, as an instructor of School Law and Ethics, and served on the Federation of Teachers Ethics Committee, till he made his final address to the student body this fall at the Seniors' Cap and Gown Exercise, he stressed, advocated, fought for and exemplified high moral conduct and ethical actions for teachers.

In his inaugural address given on December 14, 1937, Dr. Kelly said: "As we survey world conditions, we are amazed at the many complex problems that confront us. In Europe there are wars and rumors of war, misunderstanding, suspicion. In America, industrial, political, moral and social problems occupy the center of interest. Again, as in all previous world crises, education has much responsibility for enlightening the minds of the people, so that they may find the best ways out of their difficulties.

"If I were to suggest what kind of education is most needed, if world thinking is to become more wholesome, and if a better understanding and fellowship is to be brought about among the citizens of the world, I should say—an education that had for its fundamental purpose a deepening of the moral and spiritual life of mankind.

"It has sometimes been said that Horace Mann was not interested in religious education, and sought to remove it from the schools. If we interpret his philosophy correctly, this was not true. He had no wish to divorce careful moral training from the schoolroom, but sought merely to eliminate those aspects of indoctrination which he considered contrary to the guarantee of the Constitution, which said that the individual might worship according to the dictates of his own conscience.

"Indeed, upon this point, Horace Mann recognized all too well, as teachers do, that the school, by its very nature, cannot do what the home alone can accomplish, that the school never can supplant the home or the church in spiritual and moral guidance.

"The training of the child is the first duty of the parent. The interest of the child should be above one's club, greater than one's lodge, and greater than one's old associates. Some children receive too little consideration in the home.

"The home is the logical place for the child to be trained for many of the most important duties of life; there has never been a substitute provided which can take the place of a proper home. We may provide amusements and social centers for children, but to the extent that these can be provided in the home, to that extent will they yield the highest return.

"We have heard from time to time that the churches of America no longer function as agencies for moral and spiritual guidance; therefore the school must assume the responsibility for the spiritual education of the young. I wish to go on record here as saying that at no time in the history of America have the churches afforded more opportunities for spiritual and moral guidance than at the present time, and the fruits of their work is seen in all denominations, which show that better than ninety per cent of the students in American colleges are affiliated with and active in church work."

These words, uttered fourteen years ago by Dr. Kelly, gain more significance in view of recent world developments. With a powerful atheistic machine pitted against our hopes for peace and freedom, and as more and more it becomes apparent that we must return to, revive and strengthen our highest moral and ethical codes, if we are to survive as a free nation, we should stop and analyze the words of Dr. Kelly; we should re-evaluate his goal of higher morals, we should take example from his actions, for though he is no longer here to lead us, we who in turn hope to lead others, must continue the fight which occupied so much of his life. For then if spiritual, moral, ethical and democratic principals survive, the spirit of Dr. John J. Kelly will never die.

Dr. Kelly's Friends Pay Their Last Respects—

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ocesan Director of Schools; Monsignor Richard Quinlan, Monsignor Daniel Donovan, the Very Rev. Joseph R. M. Maxwell, S.J., president of Boston College; the Very Rev. Francis J. Boland, president of Stonehill College; the Rev. John H. Kelly, S.J., of Holy Cross; the Rev. Frank Shea, West Bridgewater; the Rev. Edward J. Sullivan, East Bridgewater; the Rev. Francis McElroy, St. James Church, Boston; the Rev. Joseph Mulligan, State Farm chaplain, and the Rev. James Grimes, Revere, were the other clergymen present.

Commissioner of Education John J. Desmond, Jr., Owen B. Kiernan, member of the state board of education and superintendent of Milton schools; Patrick J. Sullivan, director of Teachers Colleges in the State Department of Education; Deputy Commissioner Raymond A. Fitzgerald, George H. Varney, business agent; A. Russell Mack, supervisor of secondary education; Daniel J. Kelly, supervisor of physical education; Pres. Martin F. O'Connor of Framingham State Teachers College, Grover C. Bowman, president of North Adams State Teachers College, and Dr. Leo O. Donahue of the State Board of Education.

Ushers were Judge Robert G. Clark, Jr., chairman of the Board of Visitors at the college; Dr. Frederick A. Meier, dean of men; Balfour S. Tyndall and Dr. Charles B. McMullen, members of the faculty, Paul Gorman and Col. Joseph M. Murphy, Army Air Force, Washington, D.C.

Honorary bearers were Postmaster John J. O'Brien; Dr. Clement C. Maxwell, acting president of the college; Patrick L. Rinnehan, president of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, St. Thomas Aquinas Council; Dr. Joseph I. Arnold of the college faculty; Leo F. Nourse, Bridgewater selectman; Calvin White, president of the Holy Name Society; Edward F. McGinn, Bridgewater town treasurer; Thomas E. Tinsley, grand knight of Bridgewater Knights of Columbus; Francis Moran of Kingston, president of Plymouth County Teachers Association; Thomas Canan of North Easton; Thomas H. Buckley, State president of the Holy Name Society; Supt. of Schools Albert F. Hunt, Jr., of Bridgewater; Joseph Kaspar, president of Bridgewater Lions Club; Edward F. McHugh, and Supt. James E. Warren of Bridgewater State Farm.

One hundred and thirty-four members of the Senior Class attended in cap and gowns, the following men forming an honor guard outside of the church, before and after the rites: Richard Morin, Arthur Olson, Thomas Brunelle, Robert Cooper, Carl Ponder, John Hart, Andrew Dietlin, Ernest Remondini, Michael Merton, Raymond Whiting, William Lincoln, Harold Delisle, Francis Verri, Harry Dorr, Doug-

las Barrows, Arthur George, William Whalon, and Samuel Gomez.

Mrs. Wilfred Mason was organist, and soloists were John W. Dowd, who sang "Pia Jesus," Miss Rose Cassiani, who sang "Mother at thy feet is kneeling," and Miss Patricia Buron, who sang "Softly and Tenderly."

Interment was in Leominster, and following the mass a large number of cars comprised the cortege that proceeded to that town where committal services were held, with Fr. John H. Kelly saying the burial prayers.

Editor Addresses Journalism Class

Mr. John F. Sweeney, the State Editor for the New Bedford Standard Times, addressed the journalism class at the State Teachers College at Bridgewater. The State Editor told the class that the hardest job of a newspaper is to decide what to reject.

Mr. Sweeney emphasized the fact that the students, as future teachers, will be able to do a great deal for the school, and consequently for the town if they can recognize a good story. Favorable publicity for your schools is always an advantage.

Editors operate directly from a style book, Mr. Sweeney explained. This book contains a code for newspapermen, and some hints for beginning reporters. Hints offered to the journalism class by the editor included the necessity for getting both sides of the story at once, whenever possible. A follow-up story is required if all the information is not available.

Newspapers are taking an active part in the city's activities, according to the State Editor.

A journalism class is a challenge, thinks Mr. Sweeney. Some schools never give news stories and thus lose one opportunity of improving the relationship between the city and the school. By favorable publicity, interest is aroused and understanding fostered.

Personal requirements for a good reporter were listed by Mr. Sweeney. A passion for facts, accuracy as a habit, a sense of fairness, and a real desire to write are all essential.

"The advent of television has caused reporting to become more interpretative. The reasons and feelings of the people in the news are what the reporter seeks. Television has not affected circulation of newspapers and it seems highly unlikely that it will," declared Mr. Sweeney.

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Spotlight on Marie Mulcahy



To all who don't know her and to those who wish to know her better, an invitation is extended to meet Marie Mulcahy.

The guiding light of school activities, Marie is President of SCA and also Sports Editor for Alpha. She has participated in such organizations as WAA and Newman Club, been on the staff of Campus Comment for three years and a cheerleader for four years. Marie was also Vice President of SCA during her junior year.

The small blonde Physical Education major graduated from St. Joseph's High School in Holyoke and has spent her summers working in Martha's Vineyard and Plymouth. This field hockey and tennis enthusiast considers a seaside home an ideal place.

Marie hopes senior training will cast some light on her intentions to teach. Her opinion of a good teacher is one who can develop a course to its utmost, enabling each student to gain as much from classes as his abilities will allow.

As a hobby, Marie collects Dixie records, her favorite being Wild Bill Davidson. On the debit side, she dislikes outdoor gym activities on cold days, and campus "windbags" who do all the complaining but none of the doing.

The consensus on Marie's wish to travel is that BTC can't have her forever, much to its regret.

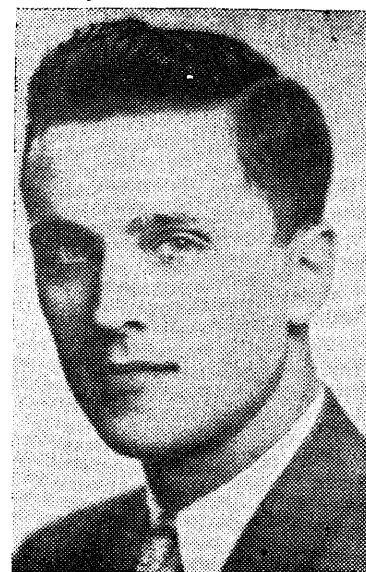
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Spotlight on Doug Barrows



Those of us who saw Young Howard last year, may have gathered the impression that in his spare time Doug Barrows stands in front of a cigar store, but as a matter of fact, Doug is one of the most active personalities on campus, being President of the Senior Class, Civic Committee Chairman, member of the MAA board, and stalwart in intramural athletics.

Doug came to Bridgewater after serving for six years in the United States Army, where as a sergeant he had many interesting experiences. During his sophomore year, Doug's extra curricular activities included getting married, and now he is the father of a baby girl. His hobby is athletics and conservatism is his password. A history major here at Bridgewater, Doug hopes to latch onto a job somewhere around Whitman, where he is now a resident, and from which he commutes daily. His hobby has been the Boston Red Sox, but like so many other Red Sox rooters, he is going through his annual post season gloom.

He hopes to further his education and work for a higher degree after graduation from Bridgewater in order to establish a sound security for his wife, child, and home.

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"Under the spreading chestnut tree
The knock-kneed smitty stands
The muscles on his scrawny arms
Are as strong as rubber bands."

Exempted

When Stalin came to inspect a Moscow insane asylum, the inmates were assembled in the hall. According to instructions, they shouted, "Long live our beloved leader, the great Stalin!" all except one man, who was immediately accosted by an agent of the secret police.

"Why did you not greet our beloved Comrade Stalin?" was the stern question.

"Because," the man answered, "I'm not insane. I'm just the janitor."

Bottled TNT

A Texan walked into Joe's one night, saw a customer lying on the floor in front of the bar, pointed to him, and said to the bartender, "Give me some of that."

Anaesthetic Antidote

He was earnestly but prosily orating at the audience: "I want land reform," he wound up, "I want housing reform, I want educational reform, I want . . ."

And said a bored voice in the audience: "Chloroform."

Money's Worth

Patient: "Five dollars is an awful lot of money for pulling a tooth—just two seconds' work."

Dentist: "Well, if you wish, I can pull it very slowly."

Must Have Television

Woman Customer (in bank): "I would like to make a loan."

Bank Official: "You'll have to see the loan arranger."

Woman: "Who?"

Official: "The loan arranger, the loan arranger."

Woman: "Oh, you mean the one who says, 'Hi-ho, Silver?'"

Knock, Knock!

The deaf old lady went to live near one of the naval bases. Shortly afterwards, a battleship fired a salute of 10 guns. The old lady, who lived alone, got out of her chair, smoothed down her dress, patted her hair, and said sweetly, "Come in."

Dad's Dilemma

"What a boy you are for asking questions," said the father. "I don't know what would have happened to me if I had asked my father so many questions when I was your age."

"Perhaps," suggested the young hopeful, "You'd be able to answer some of mine."

Tramp! Tramp! Tramp!

A group of WAA girls were talking over plans for the supper hike. One suggested that they wear warm clothes as it was a long walk to their destination. At this, a freshman paled visibly. "You mean we're going to walk?"

Confused Cutie

A history teacher in our college, lecturing on the Spanish dynasty, mentioned the activities of Johanna, the Mad. Voice from the back of room: "What was she mad about?"

Note to Mr. Durgin's Gardening Club:

"The best way to get enjoyment out of a garden is to put on a wide straw hat, dress in loose-fitting clothes, hold a trowel in one hand and a cool drink in the other, and tell the man where to dig."

Tune in Tomorrow, Same Time, . . .

"Oh," said one of Miss Haggart's invalids in bed for the day, "I heard a thrilling soap box opera this morning: 'The Romance in Helen's Tent'."

Pucker Up. . . !

I did my best to show him how

To hold his lips just so;

I told him to be ready when

I gave the signal "GO"

He pursed his lips and closed his eyes

And did as he was told—

It's hard to learn to whistle

When a lad is three years old.

Sad Tale of Two Bits

I am twenty-five cents.

I am not on speaking terms with the butcher

I am too small to buy a box of candy.

I am not large enough to buy a movie ticket.

I am hardly fit for a tip, but—believe me, when I go to church on Sunday, I am considered Some Money!

The New Deal

One of the students at T.S., teaching a unit on New York, received this little gem in a composition: "Peter Stuyvesant was the last Dutch governor. Then Franklin D. Roosevelt came in and became President of the United States."

Glasses Unnecessary!

The cure for love at first sight: Second sight.

What Next?

It is now the latest fashion for women to smoke cigarettes to match their dresses. Some women have practically given up cigarettes.

Poetic Philosophy

Of all sad words

Of tongue or pen

The saddest are these:

It Might Have Been.

Let's add this thought

Unto this verse:

It Might Have Been

A Great Deal Worse.

Alumni Week End

One hundred fifty alumni returned to their alma mater on November 2, when Bridgewater observed its annual alumni weekend. Eighty-four alumni registered at Woodward Hall and fourteen at Tillinghast.

The program of entertainment, under the direction of Marie Keohane, was planned to keep every day busy for the alumni. Friday night, Tennessee Williams' play, "The Glass Menagerie," was presented by Alpha Psi Omega, a member of the national dramatic honor society. Refreshments were served in Woodward Hall after the play.

On Saturday afternoon, the alumni attended a tea dance at the Albert Gardner Boyden Gymnasium. At the basketball game held Saturday evening, men undergraduates defeated the men alumni. The women alumni scored a victory over the women undergraduates. A dance followed the games.

The Alumni Week End Committee chairmen were as follows: Dormitory supervision, Sally D'Amelio; Woodward Hall, Patricia Mowbray; Tillinghast Hall, Patricia Thorburn; Dramatic Club refreshments, Mary Elliot; Tea Dance, Pauline O'Sullivan; MAA, Edward Bielski; WAA, Nancy King; Publicity, Helen O'Connor; Invitations, Ann Marie Burke and Ruth Donnelly.

Physical Education Conference

On Monday night, October 29th, the faculty members and students of the Physical Education Department attended a meeting of the Massachusetts Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation at Sargent College.

The welcoming speech was presented by George McKecknie, head of the college. A badminton exhibition including a demonstration of the fundamental skills of the sport was conducted by Mr. Kenneth Davidson, sponsored by the Massachusetts Badminton Association.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Elsa Schneider, a specialist on health instruction and physical education, whose speech was entitled, "Physical Education in the Elementary School."

The third and final portion of the program consisted of a demonstration by a group of dancers from the University of Brazil. The dance program was varied, including a study in rhythms, four solo numbers, a Brazilian folk dance and several interpretive dances based on Brazilian folklore.

Marriage and Births

Marriages:

Miss Beverly May Snell, who was a member of the Class of 1953, to Mr. Freeman Scudder on October 27.

Miss Rosann F. Dinis, Class of 1951, to Mr. Donald J. Sullivan in September.

Miss Joanne Ferguson, Class of 1951, to Mr. Laurence Brooks of Brockton, Mass.

Miss Mary Hart, Class of 1951, to Mr. John F. Cogan, Jr., of Cambridge, Mass.

Miss Margaret Cassidy, Class of 1950, to Mr. Theodore Crocker, Class of 1951.

Miss Barbara Rosenblatt, Class of 1951, to Mr. Edward Guzovsky of Hazelgreen, Missouri.

Births:

To Mr. and Mrs. Warren F. Kiernan of Freetown, Mass., both of Class of 1950, a son.

To Mrs. Leroy Spear of Pleasantville, N. Y.

Freshmen Elect Class Officers

John Kent, D₃ representative, was elected President of the Class of '55, as the freshmen cast their ballots for the first time at BTC. The other officers are Mary O'Connor, Vice-President; Patricia Buckingham, Secretary; and Sandra Sparrell, Treasurer.

Campaign managers, introduced for the first time here, led a vigorous fight for their candidates with speeches and posters. The main feature of election week was a Freshman Party given by the Elections Committee, at which each candidate and his manager were introduced.

Now, with elections over, the class of '55 hopes to go on to a year of success under the leadership of its officers.

Dramatic Club Bean Contest

Have you ever counted beans instead of sheep in your sleep? Sometimes it pays off! At least it did for Bessie Dounelis. She's the girl who won the Bean contest sponsored by the Dramatic Club and in so doing won two tickets to the November second performance of the "Glass Menagerie."

Bessie certainly deserved the prize. She guessed there were 840 beans; there actually were 837. This contest was planned and sponsored by the Dramatic Club officers who are: Andy Dietlin, president; Mary-Joan Dougherty, vice-president; Vicky Himmel-farb, secretary; and Bob Forest, treasurer.

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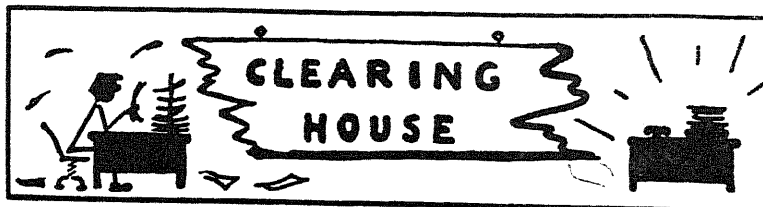
No Fear of Change . . . Blue Memories . . .

Tradition is good in as much as it balances progress, but when tradition no longer balances but binds, then there is a need for change. It is at these times that meek minds are torn by conflict—whether to follow the routine, the regular, the traditional, or attempt something new, something different. They fear change (it is not change they should fear but fear itself).

It takes genuine courage to break tradition and this has been by the members of Alpha Psi Omega who recently blurred the eyes of an unsuspecting audience (who didn't realize the magnitude until midway in the first act) with their presentation of "The Glass Menagerie." It is remarkable that a college production working with poor facilities and adverse criticism should be so successful. The blue memory lighting and soft character music combined with the drab setting provided the perfect aura for the superlative acting of the four stars: Miss Jean Franch who perfectly portrayed the delicate, fragile Laura; Mr. Edward Bielski who pleasantly pictured the nice young gentleman caller; Miss Elizabeth Salami adroitly acting the confused, ambitious mother; Mr. Edward Pietnik who, making his debut, strikingly and skillfully showed the warehouse Shakespeare who finally freed himself from his coffin.

Their offering plus the visibly able direction of Elizabeth Salami and Harold deLisle have introduced a new realm to the Bridgewater stage and one greatly appreciated by this writer, who intends to watch and wait for a continuance of this idiom.

It is with the utmost sincerity that I congratulate the members of Alpha Psi Omega who did not fear change.



Having been exposed for some three years now to the periodic complaints made by Bridgewater students concerning the rules and regulations of the college, your inquiring reporter decided to find out what opinions various individuals hold in regard to an honor system. Here are a number of answers.

Well, Almost Anything!

"Anything would be an improvement."

—MARY DALEY

"If!"

"It'd be good if the 'kids' wouldn't cheat."

—BOB FOREST

Sounds Logical

"If it didn't work at West Point what can you expect here?"

—PAT MAKIN

Tsk, Tsk!

"No! Cooperation leads to graduation!"

—ANONYMOUS

Who, F'r Instance?

"It would be good for some people."

—PEGGY RATTRAY

I Can Dream, Can't I?

"Wonderful! But would it work?"

—BEA SULLIVAN

Laconic

"It's a lot of hooley."

—BOB RICHARDS

Optimistic

"Being an individualist with an eye to the future I say let's try it. I've seen it work to a certain extent in the dorms this year and I have faith in the impossible!"

—MARY ELLIOTT

Atta Girl!

"I'm all for it."

—JOAN LUNDQUIST

Smart Boy

"I ain't goina lose my hair worrying about this."

—"OBIE"

Wants Status Quo!

"Being a conservative and a traditionalist, I dislike it."

—HARRY DAW

Realist

"Theoretically—yes. Practically—?"

—HELEN KNIGHT

But What?

"Good idea, but . . ."

—MARILYN LADETTO

While it may not be said that the above-stated opinions are representative of the entire college, it seems that similar beliefs are voiced by the majority of students.

The fact that the honor system is used in many colleges (Princeton, Bates, Trinity College, Washington, and others) proves many of the country's leading educators believe the system rates at least a practical tryout.

While not in a strict sense an innovation in education, the honor system continues to be a much disputed issue.

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This Side of Music

It's time to get together once again and see what's been happening in the music world. Most of the news seems to come from Hollywood this trip, where, we find, Billy Eckstine is being groomed for a spot in "Skirts Ahoy." Another stylist, Frankie Laine, also will be seen in a flicker, "Honey." While I'm on the topic of Frankies, I don't know whether it's Ava who has F. Sinatra so confused, but his last few recordings have been falling just short of not too good. Mr. Sinatra will tear himself away to do "Meet Danny Wilson." Mario Lanza fans can hope to see the star in "Because You're Mine," if present plans don't fall through. On the present market be sure to catch "An American in Paris"—it's fabulous and stars Gene Kelly whose next show will be "Singin' In the Rain."

I should like to take the big step and go on paper concerning Stan Kenton. History alone will decide his final position in the long life of jazz, having the advantage of perspective, but after his recent storming of Boston with forty strong and June Christy, a few facts struck me. There is premeditation in his dissonance. His arrangements are of complex detail and intricate design which weave an unexpected but brilliant pattern. The key is in the word, "unexpected," were critics more accustomed to his sounds he would not be condemned so vehemently. I should like to add that I don't believe the public is ready for Kenton, just as they were not ready for Gershwin.

Followers of Perry Como will be proud to know that he was voted the top male vocalist in the recent Billboard Popularity Poll. Doris Day shared like honors in the female field. The top band polled was Ray Anthony, not too closely followed by Ralph Flanagan, who has been losing his grip for some four or five reasons.

That's it this time, music lovers, I'll have to close with one final question: "What happened to that 'Kiss To Build A Dream On'?"

Musically yours,

HRD

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Jay Nerney, Judith Forte, Emma Fisher, Bob Cooper, John Zoino, Harry deLisle, Paul Haman, Lola Lymberis

TYPISTS

Helen Nylén, Richard Menice, Irene Shubsda, Pauline Tardanico, Peggy Travers, Edward Amaral, Ann Kedie.

Newman News

The Newman Club members gathered together in the Demonstration Room on Wednesday, October 31st, to project several plans for the next month's activities. Reverend Gerald Creighton, chaplain for the club, answered questions submitted by the club members.

Elected as king and queen to represent the club in the Mardi Gras festivities were Joseph Bruno and Agnes Denis. Richard Menice was elected chairman of the Float Committee. Mary Carlisle, Phyllis Lanza, and Annmarie O'Leary will assist him.

Ruth Donnelly will assume the president's role while Helen O'Connor is away doing practice teaching. Jean Kirby was elected pro-tem treasurer to replace Mary Elliott while she is doing her practice teaching.

There will be a Pizza Party in the Commuters' Room on Wednesday, November 14, instead of the regular meeting. The Pizza Party is open to the whole school. Anyone may attend who has fifty cents to spend. Marie Delahanty is chairman and Judy Forte is assisting her.

On November 18, members may attend the celebration of the Bi-Millennial of Paris at Emmanuel College. A medieval drama will be presented and all the Newman Clubs of New England will take part in the folklore contest. Five members will represent the club: Mary Elliott, Amelia Leconte, Louise Mariani, Polly O'Sullivan and Izaura Pinto. Tea will be served. Admittance, \$1.00.

The Newman Club invites the faculty, students and their friends to hear Reverend F. X. Weiser, S.J., of Emmanuel College and Western College, talk on Tuesday evening, December 4, at 7 o'clock in the Horace Mann Auditorium. His lecture will be on the origins of Christmas customs in America. He was the guest speaker of the Newman Club Communion Breakfast last year. Admittance is free. Mary Goggin is chairman.

Also

The following were elected to the Newman Club Board: freshman, Pauline Tardanico; sophomore, Marie Delahanty; junior, Edward Ferriter; senior, Michael Merton.

Mary T. Elliott was elected the Bridgewater delegate to the New England Province meetings of the Newman Club.

Rev. John E. Boyd of St. Patrick's, Fall River, was the speaker at the last meeting. His topic was, "Social Problems Arising from Neglected Children."

Following the 8:30 mass at St. Thomas Aquinas Church on Sunday, December 9, Newman Club members will breakfast at Cranberry Inn. Reverend James F. Redding of Emmanuel College will be the speaker at the Communion Breakfast. Tickets will be

Kindergarten Primary

On November 7, K. P. Club held its annual Thanksgiving meeting. Lois Godfrey, a former Bridgewater student, spoke on teaching and her experiences. Reports were given by seniors who have been out training.

The next meeting will be on December 5. This will be devoted to a Christmas workshop. Further plans will be announced shortly.

Upper Elementary

The first meeting of the Upper Elementary was held October 26th, and refreshments were served. On November first, Mr. Daniel Kelly, State Supervisor of Health Education, spoke on "Physical Education in Elementary Schools."

Officers for this year are: President, Jean Sherman; Vice President, Gwen Cahoon; Secretary, Helen Knight; Treasurer, Natalie Sylvia.

Modern Dance Club

Several members of the Modern Dance Club went to Wheaton College, Friday, October 26, to take part in a master lesson, and attend the performance of a group of students from the University of Brazil. Those who attended were: Vera Himmelfarb, director of Modern Dance; Ursula Phillips, Ann Hayes, Sallee Twitchell, Beverly Schofield, and Roz Herman. They were accompanied by Miss Decker and Miss Caldwell.

French Club

The regular meeting of the French Club was held in room 34, Thursday evening, November 1st. Following the business meeting Amelia Leconte, First Vice-President, spoke about the history of Mardi Gras and told how the French Club has adopted many of these customs in its gala biennial affair.

Arthur George, chairman of the meeting, presented a musical program. Recordings of works by the French composers Bizet, Debussy, Gounod, and Offenbach were played. After the meeting was adjourned, the committees for Mardi Gras met to continue their work for this affair which will be held Friday, January 11, 1952.

Glee Club

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Freida Rand, is busy rehearsing for the concert to be presented Tuesday evening, December 11.

Election of a king and queen will be held soon so that the club will be represented in the Mardi Gras.

ninety-nine cents. Ruth Connelly is general chairman; Joan Shaughnessy, Jean Kirby, and Constance Fitzpatrick are her assistants.

Kappa Delta Pi

Members of the Epsilon Iota Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor society in education, met in the Commuters' Lounge on Wednesday evening, October 24. In the candle-light room, those juniors and seniors whose outstanding scholarship and service to the college have made them eligible for membership, were initiated according to a traditional and formal ritual.

Mr. Robert Rucker, faculty adviser for the group, introduced the officers of the society: Carolyn Pinel, president; Patrice Sanborn, vice-president; Marjorie Simmons, secretary; Gwendolyn Cahoon, treasurer; and Arthur Olson, historian-reporter. The president welcomed everyone and explained that few are elected to this organization because membership is limited to forty people and of these twenty-two must be seniors. New members are selected from among those who are in the upper quarter of their class and have rendered services to the college. In a speech entitled "Man was Created to Help Man," Miss Pinel told of the need to broaden this school service and suggested various ways.

Following the initiation and business meeting, there was entertainment, and refreshments were served.

The new members elected from the senior class are: Rita Crowley, Maria Dounelis, Shirley Tete McKay, Lois Melville, Izaura Pinto, Irene Nobrega, Shirley Raymond, and Eileen Zimmel.

Those from the junior class are: Verdia Almquist, Francis Bennett, Arthur Chase, Joan M. Doherty, Edward Ferriter, Irene Fiola, Constance Fitzpatrick, Beverly Gouldrup, Vera Himmelfarb, Arthur Housman, Jean Kirby, Helen Knight, Lola Lymberis, Stanley Mackun, Carleton McCauley, Barbara Moriarty, Francisco Souza, and Jane Unsworth.

Menorah Club

On October 30, Menorah Club members assembled for a delicious spaghetti supper under the chairmanship of Phyllis Greenblatt. Jack Goldberg and Dick Wallace acted as chefs. A report of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation Association seminar was given by Sondra Schwartz.

On November 13, instruction in Israeli Folk Dance will be given by Jerry Parker, IZFA field worker. All those interested are cordially invited to attend.

Dorm Council

As is usual when the affairs of a group are functioning smoothly we hear little from the governing body. Such is the case with our efficient Dormitory Council under the capable leadership of pro-tem president Sally D'Amelio, substituting for Virginia Gorman who is out training.

The council is formed of the officers, the heads of Woodward and Tillinghast Halls, and the twenty-four proctors from Woodward and Tillinghast. Meetings for the council and mass meetings for all dormitory students are called at the discretion of the president.

The first meeting of the year was of a general nature. It was noted that the conduct in the dining hall had been greatly improved. Clothes racks in the hall, especially in the back "els," were discussed, and it was decided that it would be permissible to have them in the halls overnight provided they were removed by breakfast time. Also mentioned was the fact that lost and found articles should be turned into Miss Pope's office in the Administration Building.

At the first mass meeting of the year, Fire Captain Mary Elliot of Woodward discussed, with the girls, the importance of obeying every rule. "Practice doesn't make perfect unless the practice is perfect," she said.

The day of judgment is over and the most attractive rooms in Woodward and Tillinghast have been chosen. These rooms, and also those receiving honorable mention, have signs on their respective doors giving their status.

Fellowship Footnotes

Student Fellowship opened with a good start at the first with a "hymn sing" at the home of its chaplain, the Reverend M. Walker Coe.

At the second meeting, they were fortunate to have the Reverend Malcolm Matherson of the South Congregational Church of Brockton, whose topic was, "My Trip to the Vatican." His description of the Pope was fascinating, as were his impressions of the Vatican and Italy as a whole.

At the third meeting, they saw a film, "Preface to Life," the story of the development of a child to maturity.

At the fourth meeting, the subject of "Christian Men in the Church" was discussed. An active membership campaign got under way.

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(You should pardon the expression) EXAM—has been most aptly described as a lethal, cunning weapon designed for use against naive, trusting, "he wouldn't hit us with an exam after a week-end like this one" college youth. Used with gay, reckless abandon by a very sadistic element in college society. Mere mention of word casts dark gloom over generally rollicking campus. (How cruel can this world be? Picture the effect, if you can. Here, in a flitting moment of the stuff called Time, are the frolicking, light-hearted, carefree youth, eking out of the cold world what little gaiety they can. True, they have their little vices—a harmless cigarette in what they so endearingly term their butt room, a comforting draught of the staff of life (coffee) to brace themselves for what is yet to come. But suddenly their world is shattered. Sometimes with no warning whatever, the unsuspecting creatures are caught in a maelstrom of exams. The laughter ends, all except the sinister laughter of the heretofore mentioned sadistic element. Oh, cruel, cruel world!)

When administered at the psychological moment (Monday morning, 8:35, is the most psychological of all psychological moments) the exam is more destructive than the deadliest poison gas. Only defense known is armor of book learning. This armor is worn only by a very small percentage of students. The remainder are caught completely defenseless and have been heard to mutter in their dying hour such touching lamentations as:

"I should have known the dust was getting dangerously thick on my history book."

"If this were a biology exam I would mention on my paper that I did not have the heart to disturb those darling little spiders so secure in the home they spun around my books down in the musty wine cellar."

Other recorded remarks from horror-stricken students:

"To think that I once had such great faith in humanity!"

"This exam includes questions on material in footnote three of footnote two of footnote one, in the appendix yet! Take me away, I'm ready!"

"Yoicks!"

"If I live through this, I'll study faithfully every waking hour of my college life, and I'll never again, no never, fritter away my time in that despicable coffee shop."

"Shut up, Conscience!"

"There just ain't no mercy!" (Note grammar. This student would eventually have flunked, anyhow.)

Exams are sprung in various forms, and it is still debated as to which type is the deadliest, although the Final seems the obvious choice. Among these are the following:

WAA Activities

Have you been to the gym lately, or been walking down on lower campus? If you have been to either, you couldn't have possibly missed the badminton and archery tournaments.

"Watch the birdie," that's what they all holler in the gym. Only it has nothing to do with snapping pictures. Nope, birdie in badminton language refers to the little object that the players hit back and forth over the net. It's not bigger than a tennis ball, but when you try to hit it, it looks like a minute peanut that shrank when you weren't looking. It takes an accurate eye and good reflex action to hit this bird before it hits you. Roz Herman, a very capable person, was in charge of the tournament which ended Monday afternoon. The results are as follows:

Thora Walker and Leah Goguen (freshmen) excelled 15-10 over Ann Burgess and Martha Ball (sophomores).

The above winners then beat Marie Reilly and Eleanor Paradise 15-13 to end the series.

Down on lower campus, a group of cupids are learning how to hit the spot. Twenty yards from the target, that bullseye looks mighty big, but something happens when they push you back to the 40 yard line. Someone forgot to make the bullseye bigger. Perhaps it's an oversight or else they get pretty sneaky around here. At any rate, you've got to know your stuff and have an accurate eye to get a good score. Also, you have to have a few muscles present. Ever try to pull a 30 lb. bow string? If you haven't, you just haven't lived. Shirley Tate, Cupid's right hand man, is in charge of the archers. Those who have compiled the highest scores thus far are listed below:

Gloria MacIssac, Carol Daly, Helen Knight, Doris Greene, Irene Shubsda. Congratulations to you all, kiddies! Keep hitting the bird and pulling back the bow, and I'm sure you'll get a blue ribbon someday.

I now bid you adieu until next issue.

Respectively yours,

SARCASTIC SADIE

WAA's debt to society.

Surprise—if student passes it, no one is more surprised than he. (Also known to cynics and hardened veterans as *sneak*.)

Announced—allows the student more time for real, concentrated worry.

Essay—or, Wow! I'm going to write a book! To think that I've let this talent lie dormant! What description! Colossal!

Objectional—(Typographical error. Should read *objective*. Enough said.)

Final—or, "This is final, all right! For me, it's the end!"

Hockey Interest High

Greetings from the hospital! Someone hit me with a hockey stick when I wasn't looking. Ah! but it was worth it. Just imagine, I played for WAA and I was wounded in action. What could be more bliss than this.

There's plenty going on down lower campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Poor Mr. Swenson's boys really get pushed around when the girls come parading down in the latest shin guard and hockey stick creations. However, no one is sorry to see a good hockey game going on. Fancy dribbling, juggling—anything you want—it's all in the game.

Guess everyone was really interested in Hockey this quarter, considering how many participated and how many band-aids were passed out.

Many thanks to the astute umpires who kept peace among the "friendly" girls of BTC. It it weren't for them, no telling what might have happened.

All kidding aside, the participation was inspiring to the WAA board. If we can have more of this spirit going into our other activities, things really would be rolling.

As you know, field hockey can be a game of interest to players and on-lookers. Here at BTC, this is just what has gone on. The interest has caused a close competition among the teams of various classes. The seniors, under the leadership of Lou Mariani, are now positioned in first place. Close behind are the sophs, captained by Jerry Saunders. The frosh, under Pat Buckingham, are running a close third, while the juniors are holding down fourth position under Barbie O'Neil.

Lou Mariani, director of Hockey, has had her hands full scheduling all the games, but she has come through beautifully.

Well, I guess that's all the news on field hockey for this quarter. I only hope that by the time the new WAA activities roll around, I'll be able to participate. Listen, how long can they keep you in the hospital?

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Soccer Rally Theme Of Alpha Dance

Soccer set the mood for Alpha's annual dance which was held on the evening of October twenty-sixth at the Boyden Gymnasium.

Colorful pennants representing nationwide colleges were abundantly displayed along the walls and refreshment booth.

Seated on a stool in the center of the gym, and surrounded by soccer balls, was a life-sized stuffed figure, representing a BTC soccer player.

One hundred and ten people attended the dance, which was highlighted by a rally at which Robert Forest, sophomore class president, was master of ceremonies. Coach Edward Swenson and members of the team were introduced and were wished success in the New Hampshire game scheduled for October twenty-seventh. Cheerleaders led the audience in giving the team a hearty send-off.

Earl Healy's orchestra provided music for the dancing which continued from eight until midnight.

Faculty members attending included Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Foth, Coach and Mrs. Edward Swenson, and Miss Sarah Elizabeth Pope.

Decorations were under the direction of Richard Menice, refreshments were supervised by Miss Lois Melville, and tickets were sold by Ernest Remondini. Miss Alice Owen was general chairman of the affair.

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Special Notice

It had been planned to include a social program in this issue; due to unfortunate events, some affairs have been postponed for a month out of respect for Dr. Kelly. This has brought about a change in the calendar.

Campus Comment would like to express its thanks to all those who have contributed extra time to cover the news of Dr. Kelly's death; especially Chris McCarthy, who obtained most of the information and wrote the material thereon.



BTC Soccer Team Fall of 1951

BTC Soccer Team Best in Years

Since Coach Edward Swenson and the class of '52 came to Bridgewater three years ago, BTC has become a very formidable contestant in competitive soccer. This year, in a schedule of eight games, BTC played its first four consecutive games without a defeat. In the last four games, BTC lost three. The record for the year is: 4 wins, 3 losses, and one tie.

For the first time in many years, BTC defeated New Bedford Textile and Fitchburg Teachers College. There are no accurate records to tell us how many years it has been since BTC beat these two, but it is believed by many that our last victory over New Bedford took place nine years ago, and our last victory over Fitchburg, fourteen years ago.

The soccer team's rise to prominence began in 1949 when the college began sessions with a new coach and a freshman class containing several potential soccer stars. Although the new team was not very experienced, and did not look half as good as they did this year, they ended the 1949 season with a 4 win, 3 loss, 1 tie record. In the past two years the sophomore and freshmen classes have contributed good men to the team, one of them, Charlie Christie, a high scorer for this season. Team members expect their best year to come in the 1952 season. Almost all the first-stringers who played this year will be on the team next year. Graduation of the senior class will remove Capt. Tom Brunelle, Dick Stokinger, Jack Hart, and Ernie Remondini.

Close teamwork, a fighting spirit, and a knowledge of skills was evident in the playing of the team this year. There were two outstanding members of the team for the number of goals they each scored. In their own words, "The opportunities for us to score were a result of the teamwork and set-up plays brought about by the cooperation of our men as a team." Out of the twenty-three goals scored, Johnny Zoino made eight, and Charlie Christie made six. Tom Brunelle scored twice. Chris Koumentzelis, Don Currier, Warren Cahill, Joe Pauley, Fran Curran, Dick Binney, and Ralph Fletcher each scored once.

In the schedule this year, BTC beat Durfee Tech 3-2, New Bedford Textile 5-3, Fitchburg Teachers College 4-3, and Suffolk University 7-1. BTC lost to New Bedford Textile 3-1, Durfee Tech 2-1, and New England College of Education 1-0. There was a tie, 2-2, in the game with Rhode Island College of Education.

The Sportscope

BTC has every right to be proud of its soccer team this year. With a record of four wins, three losses, and one tie, our team beat two of its most powerful opponents, Fitchburg and New Bedford Textiles, in a schedule of eight games packed with action and excitement. For a while it looked as though the team was on the way to an undefeated season. They played the first four games without a defeat. It has been a long time since we beat either of the two teams mentioned above. Bill Hughs said that he met an alumnus of BTC who was a player on the last team to beat Fitchburg before this year. At the present time this man, Mr. James DiNardo, is the principal of the Pollard and Washington grammar schools at Quincy Point. It takes time to become a principal and it took BTC a long time to beat Fitchburg, but this was the team to do it! Credit goes to Coach Swenson, Capt. Tom Brunelle and the entire team for truly representing BTC on the soccer field in a proud manner.

Basketball Next

With the end of the soccer season, BTC looks to another basketball season with, perhaps, a skeptical eye. It was easy to see that our record last year could have been better, but the spirit among those planning to take part in the sport this year is optimistic and encouraging. Basketball is an unpredictable sport. Possible line-ups for the varsity team have not yet been made. A representation from the Men's Club swamped the Alumni at a game on November 4. Some of the boys looked very good.

Coach Swenson, always with an eye out for the educational aspects of varsity sports, is planning to allow varsity players to take charge of junior varsity games. A varsity player will sit on the bench with Coach Swenson during each of the junior varsity games, and will temporarily take charge of the game while the Coach offers criticisms on the student's good and bad points. Also the usual referee schedule for students in junior varsity games will be continued.

New Scoreboard

The college is ready to begin the basketball season with a brand-new electric score board. Student Cooperative Association bought the board last year for three hundred dollars. It was not installed until this year, when Coach Swenson and a hired electrician worked for two days setting it up in time for the Alumni game. The board worked satisfactorily at the Alumni game, and it will be a great asset to the appearance of the gymnasium, as well as a great help to the spectators for keeping the scores of games straight. The board is attractively lighted in very large numbers, and, to the amusement of the spectators, makes a weird sound when the numbers are changed. Coach Swenson remarked, "I hope we'll have a classy team to go with this classy score board."

Seniors Undefeated

In intramural football, the senior class made good their prediction that they would have another undefeated season. However, the seniors lead this year's league by the uncomfortable margin of a half game, because of the fighting freshman class, who emerged with a very good record themselves.

The duel for the league title between

Intramural Football

Juniors Nip Frosh, 3-2

The BTC frosh suffered their second defeat of the year as against no wins on October 29 by a score of 3-2. The juniors, composed of professional players from the college varsity soccer team, led all the way. Seven-man teams were used. Though it was only their second game, and with little practice under their belts, the class of '55 did very well to hold the experienced juniors. The juniors drew first blood in the first period, and later the frosh tied it at 1-1. Then the juniors quickly got two goals and led in the game by a 3-1 score. In the last period, one more goal was scored by the frosh.

The juniors might be able to beat the frosh in soccer, but in football it's a different story. Previously, the young men of the college had tackled the juniors 18-0 in touch football. At the time this article was written the freshmen were leading the intramural football teams and undefeated at that!!!

the seniors and the freshmen came to a climax in the last game of the season when they battled for the game and the league title as well. It looked bad for the seniors because their star passer, Bill Whalon, had taken an afternoon job and was not available for the game. Despite all the disadvantages, the seniors held the freshmen scoreless and managed to make one touchdown to win the game.

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