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Kappa Delta Pi Annual Project Underway
Each year Kappa Delta Pi, the honor society at Bridgewater, has an annual project. This year the task is the assimilation of opportunities for our graduates in the area of fellowships and scholarships. Plans have been formulated to gather such information from many graduate schools and place it in a file in the library where it will be accessible to anyone interested in further schooling.

A specific part of the information will be the number of credits gained at Bridgewater that are accepted by graduate schools and the number of additional credits which will have to be obtained before entrance.

Two-thirds of this work will be done by three members of last year's Junior Varsity, Veronica Flanagby, Joan Hart, Marcia Linsday, and Mary Walsh, Chairman.

Basketball Team Opens Season
With six members of last year's Varsity returning, the basketball team is looking forward to a winning season. Last year the hoopers compiled a disappointing record of five wins and twelve losses. Despite the fact that Manager Charlie Barber has carded a tougher schedule than the previous year, the outlook is somewhat brighter.

The six veterans are Captain John DiTullio, Doc Blanchon, Paul Surgen, Joe O'Brien, Ed Denton, and Dick Bridgewood. They will be ably assisted by three members of last year's Junior Varsity in Walt Murphy, Al Nuttal and Jack Andre. The team is further strengthened by the addition of two Freshmen, Dick Harvey and Mark Ippolito, members of Brockton High's Tech Tourney Championship team. Ken Samuelsdon rounds out the squad.

In the opening game the Teachers were defeated by a classy, sharp-shooting Salem five led by Pete Doyle with 33 points. After the ten minute mark of the first half, Salem scored 23 consecutive points to sew up the contest. The final tally was 71-42. Johnny DiTullio was high man for BTC with 18 points. (continued on page 3)

Zausmer Speaks At Chapel
Otto Zausmer, foreign correspondent and Chief of the Intelligence Department of the United States Office of War Information in London during the last war, who now edits a column of news and opinions in the Boston Globe was the guest speaker at Chapel on November 9th. His topic, "Will Germany Go Nazi Again?" was the product of much discussion among the listening audience. His answer, though moderated, was "Yes." He bases his assumptions on the society of the German people as a whole and not in relationship to political or international practices. He does not think that there will be a return of the former Nazi party, but that there will be a strong militarist dictator that the German people will eventually elect to follow. Reasons for the Nazi party to remain in background were stated as such by Zausmer: 1. They gained only 170 votes in the last election. 2. People realize a dictatorship cannot survive after defeat. 3. German people have lived and witnessed war in their own cities and towns and in such places as Berlin which suffered severe damage; there is little evidence...

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The Cool Yule
"Twas the week before Christmas and all through the college
Not a student was studying, for it was the holidays.
And visions of parties were driving them all crazy.
The Prof with his lessons, the Dean with his rolls,
Were surely in need of quiet and peace.
When all at once there arose such a clatter,
I raced from the lounge to see what was the matter.
Down the corridors I flew like a flash,
Missed the door and hit the wall with a crash!
The sun, all gloomy, on the muck and the slush,
Sickened me slightly as through the door I did rush.
When what to my blood-shot eyes should appear,
But a low slung sport car, a stripin' a goat!
With a pudgy old driver so jolly, so fat,
Could this be Santa, this wizened old fat cap? He slipped it in low and grease-marked the street!
As he slammed 'round the corner the slush rose in a sheet.
No Dasher, No Dancer, No Blitzen or Prancer,
No Comet, nor Cupid, this hot rod's the answer!

The engine it sang, he was having a ball
Now, dash away, splash away, crash away all!
As text book pages, before an examination do fly,
Or die, blast!
No Comet, nor Cupid, this hot rod's the answer!

The squeeling of brakes applied by this goof.
As I was clearing my head and reeling
He was dressed like a cat from his head
And his clothes were pegged and
A bundle of records he had in his head
A bundle of records he had in his head
A bundle of records he had in his head
A bundle of records he had in his head
A bundle of records he had...

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Dear Editor,

Evidently the men of BTC are the richest in the state. They can spend $7.00 and not care about its use. At least that is how it seemed when only twelve men appeared for a recent MAA meeting.

It is altogether shameful that such happenings occur. After all the MAA and Men’s Club are the only reason that BTC has an athletic program and Sportive Gentry. Yet neither the people who participate in sports nor work on the Sportive Gentry are interested enough to attend a meeting.

Lack of knowledge of the meeting is no excuse as a notice was posted on all the bulletin boards fully a week in advance of the affair. If you want to keep throwing money away, throw some in my direction. If you can’t afford to throw money away, why don’t you attend the MAA and Men’s Club meetings? See to it that your money is spent in a way most beneficial to you.

BILL PEPE

Dear Editor,

Upon reading the letter signed “Uninformed” that appeared in this column in the last issue of Campus Comment, I was filled with mingled feelings of regret, disappointment, and gladness; regret because there is at least one person in the subject.

“Uninformed” has asked for the purpose of the society at BTC, and what contributions it makes that a Dean’s List could not. To begin—Kappa Delta Pi is a national honor society. The chapter here at Bridgewater is but one of 195 chapters to be found all over the United States. The reason for its founding was not, as “Uninformed” seems to think it should have been, to make a great series of tangible contributions to the college. Rather it was, and here I quote from the Constitution, “to encourage high professional, intellectual, and personal standards.” Is this not a worthy aim for any society? The fact that it does not content itself to “parade” those “who have succeeded,” a trait which “Uninformed” seems to feel Kappa Delta Pi has now.

The purpose of Kappa Delta Pi is to encourage high professional, intellectual, and personal standards. Not only are there Kappa Delta Pi members in the Dramatic Club, but the Secretary of that organization is an honor society member. As far as other organizations are concerned, mention any one and almost without exception I can supply you with names of Kappa Delta Pi members who belong, and, in many cases, hold offices. A few examples: three officers of SCA; the Presidents of WRA, Dormitory Council, Day Student Council, Tillinghast Hall; officers of Newman Club and Christian Fellowship; Alpha staff members, etc. The entire list would be too lengthy to publish here.

I sincerely hope that I have helped to inform “Uninformed,” and perhaps some others who likewise were not too familiar with the society. Are there any further questions?

WINNIE MURRAY

Christmas List — 1954

While we are making out our list, let’s include a few things for BTC’s stockings:

To the faculty — a class of STUDENTS.
To Dr. Maxwell — Many years of good health, so that he may stay with us at Bridgewater.
To the students — The best marks ever.
And to everybody — A 4.0 Christmas and at least a 3.9 New Year.
BASKETBALL OPENS—
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eight points, followed by Denton, Sar-
gent, Nuttall, and Murphy, with six.
Journeying to Providence, the Pedi-
gogues broke into the win column with
a 70-69 victory over R.I.C.E. Utilizing
the fullest a 2-1-2 zone defense
ordered by Coach Swenson, the Varsity
quintet thoroughly bottled up the
Rhode Island attack. Once again Capt.
Bill Lewis, Lonergan, Danser-
gers under Coach Swenson and Senior
Stokinger, and Pepe. Assistant Mana-
John Colford.

The Junior Varsity squad has a rec-
ord of one win and one loss, having de-
fated R.I.C.E. and been beaten by
Salern. Members of the squad include
Captain Bill Lewis, Lonergan, Dams-
cers, Svenson, Yanak, Botelho, Carroll,
Stokinger, and Pepe. Assistant Mana-
gers under Coach Swenson and Senior
Manager Barber are John Shields and
John Colford.

Bouncing back in their inimitable
manner, the BTC hoостeers took on
Lowell State Teachers next and trounced
them thoroughly by a score of 67-41.

BASKETBALL OPENS—
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cidence of subervasive activities. 4. Large
numbers of refugees.
He spoke of the German comeback
in industry as "a miracle of the age.
" This also he bases on the nature of the
Germans themselves. The absence of
strike until 1954, the low salaries, and
optimism and application of skill not
only built up new industries but founded
inventions in science and machinery
that have helped put her far ahead of
others in the world trade market.

All these suppositions of the present
and future Germany are formulated
from the type of society the German
people dwell in. They start school at
the age of six and between the ages of
10-11 they have to decide whether they
will emerge into a vocation or remain
in the scholastic world in order to enter
college and a profession. Naturally the
poorer class is eliminated from the
latter because of the lack of publicly fi-
nanced schools. Therefore, we see only
75% going to college. "Consequently,"
says Zausmer, "at the age of 11 the na-
tion is split into followers and leaders."
This break is maintained in adult life
by Civil Service which is a closed cor-
poration eliminating free competition
for jobs and preventing those holding
positions from losing them.

All these traits and trends are, in Mr.
Zausmer's mind, the intangible things
that will again eventually lead Germany
into being an aggressive nation headed
by some strong leader who will be up-
held by her many "followers."

THE BLUEBIRD SHOP
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THE COOL YULE--
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And looked like a fugitive from the
State Farm!
His eyes were shifty, his dimples real
nervous,
His feet were tapping, ready for service.
His droll little mouth was puckered up
in a bow.
With a trumpet in hand he was ready
for his
The butt of a weed hung limp from
his lip,
And quivered there, as if he were ready
to flight.
He had a bay window, quite a
proverbial weird,
That shook when he snickered, with
jolly exuberance!
He was round as a bumm, but a mellow
old elf,
And I roared when I saw him in spite of
myself.
With a flush of an eye, and a nicotine
whistle,
His horn rang out, and put me at ease.
He spoke not a word, but laid down a
beat,
The cts all fell in with a furry of feet.
The session was wild, like nobody
knows,
Then hitting high C, through the ceiling
he rose!
He leaped to his Jaguar, the exhaust
srieved off the steeple,
"'Justs, yeuletise to all, ye real solid
people!" 
BY ROBERT BACHMANN

Bullets and Mort Sheehan of the Knicks,
with 10 points each, Jim Christie,
Warrior guard, shows the way in suc-
cessful free throws with six. The league
is under the capable direction of Bob
Millet and George Sullivan.
AL NUTTALL

ZAUSMER SPEAKS--
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Pre-Game Scouting For
Basketball Underway

This year money has been appropri-
ated for the scouting of basketball op-
ponents of Bridgewater. The purpose
of this pre-game scouting is to deter-
mine the strengths and the weaknesses
of rival teams. By use of this infor-
mation strategy can be formulated so as
to minimize the strengths of a team and
to capitalize upon the weaknesses. The
applied use of the knowledge gathered
by our scouts will thus enable our bas-
ketball team to know their adversary
and thereby use men to the best
advantage.

The members of our illustrious scout-
ing staff include the following obser-
vant BULLETS:

Bob Haggerty, August Persin,
Stu Olson, Gary Getchell, Joe Frat-
hino, Dick McSeave, and Pudge Lane.

When scouting a team in preparation
for a coming game, several factors
must be considered. The types of defense
used are important, whether or not the
team being observed uses the man or
zone defense. Also to be considered is
what degree the defense is effective
and what means could be used to counter
it.

Careful observation should be given
to the offensive stars, their favorite
shots, and the percentage of shots com-
pleted. In addition to these, one should
rebound stars, and whether or not the
success) the fast break pattern.

SUCCESSIVE TITLE

Bullets seek third
SUCCESSIVE TITLE

After two weeks of play, the Bullets,
comprised chiefly of the Senior group
who have won two previous Intramural
ratings was far from easy to attain as
fought battles against the Knicks
identical one win and one loss records,
22) and the Celtics (31-29).

Two straight defeats. The Warriors
have deadlock if they can edge out the
opportunity to move into a first placc
into the win column at the expense of
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As I See It

Cheating is a problem that has aroused the spirits of both administrative and students in the past. It is certainly not something any college could be proud of—especially a teachers' college such as ours. It is something that perhaps would be easier to forget than to solve. But to let such a condition persist is an injustice to ourselves; in addition, it is a startling contradiction of the ideals of our Alma Mater.

This is perhaps as good a time as any to bring the problem to the forefront since midyear exams are "creeping up" rapidly. Such a condition, particularly at a teachers' college such as ours, is something that ourselves; in addition, it is a startling contradiction of the ideals of our alma mater. It is something that is easier to forget than to solve. But to let such a condition persist is an injustice to the students in the past. It is certainly not something any college could be proud of—especially a teachers' college such as ours. It is something that perhaps would be easier to forget than to solve. But to let such a condition persist is an injustice to ourselves; in addition, it is a startling contradiction of the ideals of our Alma Mater. This is perhaps as good a time as any to bring the problem to the forefront since midyear exams are "creeping up" rapidly. Such a condition, particularly at a teachers' college such as ours, is something that

In the final analysis, it is evident that his classmate is evident. He is at the same time doing the greatest injustice to his own prestige. His apparent need for cheating is an admission that his mind is too immature and his intellect too poor to pass the course in any other manner. His inferior sense of values has placed more emphasis on a mark than on his own standing. In the final analysis, he is a misfit in his own class, college, and profession. But merely talking is not enough. We, the students, ought to do something. Perhaps, under the circumstances, the best way to act is to within each division of each class. An open discussion by the classes who are faced with the problem might be one method. A person will think twice before cheating if he knows that his classmates do not intend to tolerate it. At any rate, the problem is not so difficult that it cannot be solved. The fact remains that it will only be solved if we wholeheartedly intend to solve it.

KATIE CROWLEY
President of WRA

SCA Notes

With the start of a new quarter we must first introduce our new president for the second quarter, Helen Wolfs, who has taken over for President Paul Sprague who is out training. We find that Ann Shilds has returned to her position as secretary, which was carried on previously by Mary Ellen O'Grady.

Among SCA's newest projects is that of planning and setting up a student teacher's lounge in the Training School. Student cooperation has been asked in completing the manual work for the project. An SCA office will also be set up in the further part of the lounge.

The vice-presidents of all clubs, under the chairmanship of Don Carrier, are in charge of soliciting money for a banquet in honor of the soccer team, which had an excellent record for the 1954 season.

John Shields, chairman of the Library Committee, announced a system now in effect in the library by which fines are charged at a rate of 2c per day on two-week books and 25c per day on overnight books. The members of this committee along with the librarians have hopes of curing the strange disappearance of books from the library for long periods of time. Division representatives are in charge of collecting overdue slips for the members of their divisions. Library Committee has also made it possible to have the library open on Thursday nights.

Members of SCA have voted on sending a copy of Campus Comment to all other State Teachers Colleges. This was suggested by the delegates who attended the Teachers College convention at North Adams in November. Plans have already been formulated for the 1955 convention which will be held at Bridgewater. This will be planned by students who have attended conferences of this type in the past.

Tom Tomlinson heads a committee which is looking into the possibilities of restoring a dean's list at Bridgewater. Many students have brought up the question of a dean's list in the past. Arnie Almquist was elected delegate to plan for the annual Eastern states conference which will be held in New York in the spring.

The only current event which SCA has helped in planning is the traditional Christmas Banquet which is an annual affair at Bridgewater. Because of the great increase in enrollment, plans this year have been greatly modified. But regardless of any changes, the Christmas spirit still remains and SCA joins with all other organizations in wishing everyone the best holiday ever.

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Theatre Arts

by
Gerry Cavanaugh

We are fortunate this year that there are so many good shows coming our way. If any one has plenty of time (not I) and a moderate amount of cash (again not I) he or she can see the shows that will become the hits of Broadway. Here, I mention a few, are the successes that have passed through Boston: “South Pacific,” “ Oklahoma,” “Kiss Me,” and “The Pajama Game.” These are all musicals but straight drama and comedy play here also. “The Living Room” and “Quadrille” are two recent ones.

I have been looking over the advance advertisements and this is what I see coming our way: “Silk Stockings,” a new Cole Porter musical, “Festival” by Sam and Bella Srovech, “ A Night in Samarcand,” starring Louis Jourdan and Mai Zetterling, “Assassina,” starring Viveca Lindfors.

In the more serious vein are the New England Opera Theater’s performances of “The Barber of Seville,” “The Marriage of Figaro,” and “The Troubadour” by Beclain. This particular composer is having a revival because of Charles Munch and the Boston Symphony. The New Canoe Opera Company will be here after Christmas, as well as the London Festival Ballet, the Ballet Theater, and the Metropolitan Opera Company.

I admire all of my readers (few what there are) to take advantage of this opportunity to see some good theater. If you don’t do it this year you may not get a chance again. Boston’s theater history notoriously fluctuates from year to year. So make hay while the mar­ques shines!

Marine Recruiters
Visit B.T.C.

The Marine Corps officer procurement team, including Capt. Karl Moore and Sgt. Gerard Galvin visited the campus on Monday, December 6th to give information to interested students on obtaining a commission as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps Reserve.

The sergeant, in a private interview, pointed out the excellent officer opportunities for Marine officers. He went on to tell the five basic ways that a man can become an officer in the corps.

In his talk before the men of the college, Captain Moore told of the various ways that the Marine Corps serves our nation. An official film was presented showing some of the phases of officer training. Descriptive literature was distributed among the men, and the team remained throughout the day to answer questions.

Spotlight on John Pavao

John Pavao, a 1951 graduate of Som­mecet High, is a senior Elementary major here at Bridgewater. During his four years, John has been active in Public Relations, Upper Elementary Club, Newman Club, Kappa Delta Phi, Intramural Softball and Basketball. This year he is treasurer of the Senior Class, and treasurer of the Associated classes.

John is very much interested in children; proof of this is the fact that he is Cub Master of 40 Cub Scouts in Scarsdale.

“The things I like about Bridgewater are the friendliness, fellowship, harmony and Phys. Ed. Majors. The only thing I don’t like is having to park in the snow and mud.”

John is a person you can’t help liking. As Sandy Sparkel says, “Last year he beat me when we both ran for class treasurer but I can’t help liking him. He’s wonderful.” He gains respect not only for his sense of humor, but also for his sense of responsibility and willingness to work. He is a very sincere person.

“Respect your elders,” is the advice he gives to the freshmen.

John’s future plans are to teach in Scarsdale and get married a year from June.

Assembly Committee
Presents:

On January 18, 1955, during the reg­ular Chapel hour, Assembly Committee will feature Mr. Arthur McKenzie, a tal­ented pianist. Mr. McKenzie has a rich background of experiences. For ten years he studied piano with Mr. G. C. Haeger of Cambridge. Upon graduation from high school, he studied with George A. Cohen of Boston. At present he is under the personal tutelage of Arthur Fedler, conductor of the Boston Pops.

For the student body at Bridgewater, a varied program has been arranged by the artist. His members will include classical, semi-classical, and popular renditions.

Judith Trombley, Chairman of the Assembly Committee, has announced the tentative program for the remainder of the year. A dramatic critic will be presented in March; a political geographer in April, and a professor in the field of education in May. The Assembly Com­mittee wishes to emphasize that pre­liminary plans are being drawn up for possible speakers for next year. Therefore, your likes, dislikes, and suggestions would be appreciated.

Thanks go to Charles Barber who has recited this January program possible.

Disc Data
by Genny Rossi


Predicted Hits: “Vivere” by Bob Dini, and two sided waxing by the Four Lads—“Dance, Calinda,” and “Two Lads in the Shade of the Banana Tree.”

Femme Forte Films

“Sabrina”—romantic rag-to-riches theme . . . Miss Hepburn excellent as chubbed mantikin . . . William Holden convincing as ladies’ man of the cham­pagne foreign-car circle . . . Bogart sur­prisingly at ease as brief-cased plastic tycoon . . . Walter Hampden superb as eccentric martini-saturated father of male stars.


Spotlight on Flanagan

Ronnie Flanagan

This math-science major hails from Tamton, Mass. and graduated from Tamton High in 1951. During the summer she has worked on the play­ground and during the last summer issued trading stamps in a super market. This latter job Ronnie found particu­larly interesting “because of the many people I met.”

Ronnie has been a member of the Newman Club for the past four years. She was a representative of Day Stu­dent Council in her sophomore year, as treasurer, and at present is its president. She has been secretary of her class for the last two years and is also vice-president of Kappa Delta Pi.

Last year she attended a National Convocation of Kappa Delta Pi at Pur­due University, Lafayette, Indiana. At this conference which consisted mostly of legislative business of the honor society, there were some speakers on the problems of education.

Ronnie has quite a list of hobbies: dancing, playing the piano, reading (not textbooks), and cross-word puzzles.

When asked about “pet peeves,” Ronnie replied, “I dislike to see the paint peeling from the ceiling down the lower corridor near the commuters’ room. I am also irritated by people who put out their cigarettes in coffee cups. I’m beginning to like the hydro­gen sulfide smell in chemistry lab. It has become such an integral part of my life that I would miss it.”

Among some of Ronnie’s fond memories are the Christmas banquet, the Ivy March, experiments in the chemistry lab, and Mr. Durgin’s bostoniernia and appenix Witticisms.

Ronnie does not have a job lined up as yet. She plans to teach on the junior or senior high level, but would enjoy teaching the elementary grades also. She is hoping to get a master’s degree in some scientific field.
Newman Club

Newmanites are invited to Newman Club functions in Boston during Christmas vacation.

At the first meeting after vacation, Dr. Pamara will speak on marriage. Dr. Pamara is a frequent face at BTC, having lectured here two years ago on the psycho-sexual development of the child. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting.

Modern Dance

Modern Dance Club will give a performance at the Psychopathic Ward in Brockton Hospital after the Christmas vacation.

The club is also working toward their well-known spring performance which will take place in May.

French Club

Two films were the main attractions at the November meeting of the French Club.

Plans were drawn up under the direction of Jan Allison for the Club Cake Sale to be conducted on January third. A creche was made during the December meeting by the members of the club and is now on display in the College library.

General chairman for this meeting was Mary Cote, who, with the help of her committee, supervised the making of the creche.

Thanks

The Library Committee wishes to thank the student body for its cooperation in making the recently-inaugurated system of fines a success. This program, entirely student-sponsored, has proved the effectiveness of Student Government attempts to improve various functions in the college. In the future, the maintenance of this project will depend upon your continued cooperation.

Club Notes

Glee Club

To Present Concert

The Women's Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. Walter L. Mayo, will present a Christmas Concert on Thursday evening, December 16, at 8:15 p.m. in the Horace Mann Auditorium. All faculty and students are cordially invited to attend. An interesting and varied program is planned, and it is as follows:

- "Glory to God in the Highest" Perot
- "Carol of the Bells" Kostovitch
- "Panis Angelicus" Franck
- "(O Bread of Life) from "Messe Solennelle"

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

A submarine sandwich party, held on December 2, was a great success for the club.

W.R.A. and P.E.M. Club

Sponsor Ski Trip

A most welcome opportunity will be given to the students of BTC the weekend after mid-year—which is January 25th-21st. A ski trip, co-sponsored by W.R.A and P.E.M clubs is in the making.

This is an effort by these two organizations on campus to bring the students in a closer relationship socially. Many students, because of divisions or various other differences, do not become acquainted with their fellow classmates.

But in an undertaking such as the ski trip, this opportunity is well presented.

It is also an attempt to establish a tradition so that all women students of the college have a chance to participate in many forms of winter sports. This includes skiing, ski lessons, sledding, tobogganing, sleigh rides, outdoor cookouts, square dancing, and other such activities.

This trip is not just for expert skiers, but for those who are interested in skiing but have little or no experience.

No definite place has been decided upon as of yet, but it will be somewhere in New Hampshire. Committees have been set up—one from each organization with the help of Karen Mann, president of P.E.M Club and Kathy Crovley, president of W.R.A the details are being taken care of.

Kindergarten-Primary

Several members of K-P attended a meeting of the Massachusetts Association for Childhood Education held at Springfield College. Rowena Morey, Mary Puglisi, and Lillian Wolnick reported to the rest of the club on their visit.

K-P had an intercultural Christmas meeting. Customs for Christmas that America has adopted were discussed and their origins were explained. Costumes of different nationalities were displayed and the members enjoyed an "international snack time" with foods from many different lands. Representatives of foreign countries who explained customs and foods were: Mary Puglisi (Italian), Elaine Murphy (Irish), Kay McPhee (Polish), Eleanor Madsen (English), Elaine Milden (Jewish), Barbara Lopez (Portuguese), Sally Greene (Finnish), and Priscilla Tripp (French).