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New Deal Is Theme For Junior Social Tomorrow Evening

Something novel in the line of socials will be experienced tomorrow evening, February 8, in the Albert Gardner Boyden Gymnasium. In cooperation with President Roosevelt's policies, the junior class has made preparations for a "New Deal Social".

The price of admission is from nineteen to thirty-three cents, the fee being determined by drawing lots. Free refreshments will be served with some of the higher priced tickets. For guests who are not students of the college, the regular price of twenty-five cents will be asked.

Other features of the New Deal are dancing in the alcove and having the orchestra in the center of the floor. (New Deal, continued on page 4)

Formal Big Success; Decorations Please

The N. A. A. Formal, held at the Albert Gardner Boyden Gymnasium on Saturday evening, February second, proved to be the most tremendous success of the college's social season.

There was an exceptionally large attendance; dancing was enjoyed until 12 o'clock to the strains of Al Merrimack's orchestra. The gym was transformed with attractive scenic decorations and a silvered ball suspended from the ceiling.

The patrons and patronsesses were Dr. and Mrs. Zenas Scott, Dr. and Mrs. John Kelly, Miss Alice B. Beal, Miss Lois Decker, Miss Charlotte Thompson, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crosier. The receiving line was headed by Owen Kiernan, president of N. A. A., and Irene Kidd, and included John Nolan, vice-president of N. A. A., and Mary Hinds, members.

The committees responsible for the evening's success were headed by: Owen Kiernan, general chairman; Harold Brever, tickets; Carlton Rose, music; Robert Hancock, hospitality; Gene Higgins, decorations; John Nolan; refreshments; Joseph Chicetti, publicity; Gordon Parsons, clean-up.

Because of the February vacation, Campus Comment will not be published two weeks from today.

Cullenian Lectures

Howell Cullenian, new reporter and traveler, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Junior Omnequin Club, held Monday, January 28, in the junior high school auditorium. His subject was "The World Epidode", his latest lecture.

Girls from the club ushered at the Community Choral Club concert on Tuesday, February 5.

Social Calendar

February 8 - Junior Social
March 1 - S.C.A. Semi-Formal
March 8 - Orchestra Concert
March 15 - Library Club Social
March 22 - Frat Dance
March 29 - T. C. Social
April 5 - Men's Glee Club Concert

Staff Reorganized, Aim at Convention

A reorganization of the staff of Campus Comment was accomplished at the quarterly meeting of the board, held on Tuesday, January 29, in room 24.

The effect of the new organization is to break up the old position of editor-in-chief into three parts. George Jones, who held this position, will continue to head the paper under the new designation of executive editor; Francis Champagne, formerly associate, will become editor-in-chief, and will devote his attention to the general direction of the paper.

Mark Students' Day

Students' Day was observed on Sunday, February 3, at the Central Square Congregational Church, when students from this and other colleges conducted the service. Over one hundred members of the college attended.

Those leading the service were Kenneth Murphy, Esther Hirtle, Lawrence Copeland, and George Jones. Music was furnished by a students' chorus, under the direction of Mildred Cushman, Arlene Kosmasler, Dorothy Cushman, and Elizabeth Gurney.

Officers of the group are John Bates, president; Harriet Robinson, vice-president; and Grace Grant, secretary-treasurer.

Versatile Bridgewater Graduate '23 Finds Children's Plays a Career

A versatile person in Sadie Anne Berman, a B. T. C. graduate of the class of 1923, who, under the pen-name of Anne Saber, writes short plays for children, one-act adult plays, and makes puppets.

"I found children's plays too long and stilted. I had to have plays where children could speak naturally. Because these are so difficult to find, I found it much easier to add to the original ones," explained Miss Berman when asked how she started to write plays.

"I write the plays myself," said Miss Berman, "but I've become perplexed and don't know just what to bring out next in my story, I get the help of my class by telling them my story and getting suggestions from them. You would be surprised at what they can give you."

"Let me warn you, though," continued Miss Berman, "give the children freedom in their speech, but never let them use slang and incorrect grammatical structures because children can be raised to use such expressions if they practice them."

Miss Berman's plays for children have appeared in "The Grade's Society Education", and "The Instructor". Her play "The Little Show Off" won second prize in the Massachusetts safety play writing competition, and was to be given to give her children instructive plays, as for example:

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Culture Lecturer, Dr. John Erskine, Proline Writer

Dr. John Erskine, culture fund lecturer, today, has had a life of valuable experiences and brilliant scholar's achievements. His many honors, among which are degrees of A.B., A.M., Ph.D., L.L.D., M.D., have been earned at various institutions, including Columbia University, Amherst College, and the University of Bordeaux, France. Dr. Erskine's contributions to education are great. He has held positions as chairman of Columbia University Administrative Committee; member of Modern Language Association of America; member of Silvermine Guild of Artists and of the Poetry Society, of which he was president in 1922.

Dr. Erskine has also been connected with the Juilliard School of Music, and was a trustee of New York Protestant Episcopal Public Schools. In 1919 he was made a Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, France. Among the clubs of which he is an active member are the Coffee House and Authors Club. He was president of the Authors Club 1923-1925, 1927-1928, and since 1929.

Ming kept busy with his clubs and teaching, Dr. Erskine has found time to write an amazing number of books, among which are Selections from the Faerie Queen, Leading American Novelists, A Pageant in Honor of Roger Bacon, The Moral Obligation to be Intelligent, Democracy and Ideals, and The Kite of Poetry.

Notice

While certain regular editors of the paper are out training, their positions have been temporarily filled as follows:

News editor: Margaret Carlson; assistant editors: Elaine Vanilli (editorial), Virginia Chadwick (news), and Dorcas Monson (make-up).

These persons are all members of '23.

President at Meet

Atlantic City will be the destination of Dr. Scott for a meeting of several educational organizations on February 21, 22, and 23. The meetings of the American Association of Teachers Colleges and of the Department of Superintendence, Dr. Scott will talk on "The Classics and Successful College Teaching." The National Society of Education will meet on February 23. Our president intends to attend these meetings because of his interest in general education and his past experience as a superintendent.
THE IDEA IS TO WIN

Someone once said, "You can have anything you want, if you want it badly enough." And by so doing, provides an excellent excuse for the thwarting of your plans—you didn't want it badly enough.

A member of the faculty has remarked that, as a general rule, the student body at Bridgewater works on a much lower level than its ability warrants, due to the fact that we have a pronounced "Pollyanna" attitude—a feeling that only a few of us can be winners, so we shall all learn to be good losers.

We're enrolled in a college whose aim is to prepare us for the teaching profession. We chose Bridgewater for one of many reasons. Perhaps Mother was a teacher, therefore there should be someone to carry on the tradition; or teaching is a respectable profession; or from questionnaires and surveys, ten of them are Bridgewater graduates, and six are Bridgewater building assistants.

Since our college curriculum is designed to mold the beginning teacher, if the student absorbs and practises the principles it proposes, he will be able to teach.

You know what you want,—want it badly enough to get it?

MARKS

Very soon marks will be out and the corridors will resound with the glees of the fortunate and the moanings of the oppressed. But don't be too overjoyed if you receive an "A" in advanced median-finding or a "C" in elementary frogology, because marks mean so little.

They are sometimes an indication of how much one has taxed his memory or crammed before an exam. Quite often, also, an "A" marks a student's ability to accomplish something really difficult.

The professor will probably grade you on the basis of 87.3. If he says your average is 87.3 and you think he can't, you're not trying hard enough. Marks seldom measure how much pride is permissible in exhibiting an educated person, and you would be doing yourself an injustice if you did not get them.

Here and There With Alumni

Quincy

Mable Sawyer, '29, has just been transferred from the Quincy School sixth grade to the seventh grade at North Junior High School, Quincy. Sylvia Bianchi and Marie Johnson—both of '34—have just received appointments in the Quincy school system.

Lexington

"Little Bridgewater" may be found on the map under the historical name, Lexington. Six alumnae are teaching there and the Bridgewater spirit flourishes.

Mary Foy, '33, and Elizabeth Stromdahl, '34, are roommates, living with a former president of the Women's Club. "It is just like home. The background and culture afforded us is wonderful," says Helen.

Helen Sullivan, '29, is teaching the first grade at the Parker School; Mary Sullivan, '32, is a sixth grade teacher at the Monroe School; Priscilla Como, '32, has just been transferred from Attleboro to Lexington; and Helen Wiliams, '29, who is teaching the fifth grade at the Adamant School, comprises the "Little Bridgewater" group. Of the fifteen teachers in one building, ten of them are Bridgewater graduates. This survey includes teachers and building assistants.

Brookton Pre-School

The Pre-School in Brookton employs five of the alumnae of recent graduation. Evelyn Beane, '34, Katharine Foy, '35, Alice Sullivan, '29, and Alice Homer, '34, are all at the George S. Paine school and Alice Moyulan is at the Franklin school. These pre-schools are an E. R. A. project under the emergency relief, and prepare children for the first grade of school. Their work is very similar to that of a kindergarten. "In fact, pre-schools really are kindergartens under a different name. There are so many kindergartens!" says Alice.

Scout Troops

Scout troops are a side issue to many of the alumni, who consider them an effective means of developing girls to their capacity.

Dorothy Beasley, '30, who teaches grades one and two in the English department in Saville, Rhode Island, has the same interests, music and scouts—though her scout troop is called Girl Guides because they are more individual, is her belief.

Elaine Morse Shueburk, '28, has a Brownie Pack of younger scouts in Hingham. She is planning to start a nursery school in the near future. Eloise Godfrey, '34, of the sub-primeary grade in Falmouth is captain of a girl scout troop. During last summer she was head music counselor at the Washington Girl Scout Camp in Virginia. "I advocate very strongly camps for girls. Their opportunity for contacts with girls on the outside is valuable," she remarks.

Substitute Teaching

Some of the alumni are being kept busy with substitute teaching. Tommy Cullen, '32, is substituting in Fall River; William Curley, '32, in East Bridgewater in the junior high; Ruth Sizer, '34, in Melrose; Barbara Dix, '34, also in Melrose; and Marie Johnson, Sylvia Bianchi, and Madeline Geler all of '34 in Quincy.

Much of their substitution has been of long duration so that their time in the capacity of teacher has been most of the time.

Three Principals

Three principals at the Alumni Conference were held accountable for their attentations.

Bill Johnson, '33, is principal, janitor, and teacher at Cromwell, Connecticut. Being president of the Teachers Association, president of the Teachers Club, and on the fire department, Bill finds no time lagging on his hands.

Frank Kilgrew, '28, principal at the Potsherds School, Somers, is working for his Master's degree in Education at Boston College. This is his third year of study.

Frank Dillon, '28, principal of the Prescott School, Randolph, says that many of the fourteen teachers in the faculty of his school, nine of them are graduates of Bridgewater.

At Conference

Elizabeth Stromdahl, president of the Student Co-Operative Association, '34, greets her Alma Mater—"I am so glad to be here for this Alumni Conference! It's grand to be here again." Her work started as building assistant in the Franklin School, Lexington, but because of over-crowded conditions the third and fourth grade combination was made, so that now Betty is teaching in the same school where she started as building assistant. "All the experiences you have here at school help you when you are teaching, regardless of whether these experiences seem important or not at the time," she commented.

Gunvor Henriksson, '34, was quite excited at the Alumni Conference and rightfully so. She had just received the good news that on Monday, November 26th, she was to start teaching in Attleboro, grades 3 to 8.

Barbara Randitt, '33, whose prominence in dramatics is to be remembered, is teaching in Newton. "I am very glad to be back and have gathered many worth-while suggestions," she said, when interviewed at the Alumni Conference.

Westport

Mary Allen, '23, is teaching fifth grade at the Booth Cove School, Westport.

Anna Sullivan, '36, is teaching English in Westport Factory Junior High school.
Class Projects Show Odd Bits on Germany

A series of individual projects on the different phases of the German people and Germany has been presented by the German class. The projects are representative of each student's research along the line in which he is interested.

Edith James found after extensive research that there are more famous Germans in the field of music than in any other. She plans to write about the most famous Germans in the fields in which they excel:

Project by John Sebastian Book, "Beginning of the history of music";
Ludwig van Beethoven, "Greatest personality in music"; Richard Wagner, "The Revolutionist of Opera".

LITERATURE—Johans Wolfgang von Goethe, "Germany's greatest poet"; Johann C. F. Schiller, "One of the greatest poetic geniuses of the world."

RELIGION—Martin Luther, introduction of Bible into German and Confession of Augustsburg—former was means of unifying and extending German languages and later established the Protestant faith.

POLITICS—Frederick The Great—Made Prussia strong enough to become the leader of Germany; Leopold von Biurmann—Made Germany a world power.

SCIENCE—Steinmetz—Manufactured artificial lighting; Albert Einstein—"Most famous living German"; Bunsen—Spectrum analysis; Einsteins—Theory of Relativity; Tyndall—Inventor of printing; Hulton—Ophthamoloscope (instrument used by optists in examining the eye); Hertz—Hertzian waves; Book —Discovered bacillus of tuberculosis.

German customs at meals were discovered by Agnes Lane; some are: German women are excellent cooks. They prepare five meals a day! Hot dishes are essential: the Germans would not consider it dinner if cold meat were served. The meat is served after the meat. Goose is the national dish—they not only eat it but sleep under a goose-feather comforter! A favorite dish of hands around the table augments good feeling.

Kindergarten Tries New Training Plan

A new plan devised to give primary grades trainers a broader background of lower grades is being tried in the training school this term. Besides practicing in their assigned rooms, sophomores in the kindergarten grades 1 and 2 observe in the other primary classes as well. In addition, instead of attending Miss Beal's conference, these students confer with Miss Marks. In this way their back ground in primary education will include an observation of methods of several teachers together with intensive training in one specific grade.

Students training in the upper grades, have just completed two weeks devoted to observation and orientation. Each student has had an opportunity to study three children for individual differences. Seven weeks remain for the trainers to show their pedagogical ability through units of work, lesson plans, and general methods.

Sophomores practicing in the training school are as follows: Grade 6 with Miss Lindquist, Leo Albert, Rexbury; Daniel Holmes, Bridge-water; Quentin LaBelle, Ave; Grade 8 with Miss Warner, Donald Shapelle, Rockland; Philip Wilbur, Middleboro; Philip Swartz, Roxbury; Grades 5 with Miss Young, Mary Landrith, Wollaston; North Abington; Thaddeus Stearns, Weymouth; Susan Fletcher, Brockton; Marie Randall, Whitman; Grade 4 with Miss Packard; Thomas Newbury, Fall River; Edward Bowles, Rockland; Helen Dacko, Mattapan; Margaret Buckley, Brockton; Grade 3 with Miss Sleeper, Edith Flack, Greenfield; Catherine Goddil, Brockton; Virginia Hill, Beverly; Edith James, Hingham; Grades 3 with Miss Thompson, Madel­line Bartell, Norwood; Joan Rigby, Quincy; Margaret Caffrey, Bridgewater; Grade 3 with Miss Bradley, Agnes Lane, Natick; Lena Nardozzi, Stoughton; Elizabeth Ord, Easton.

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The Terpsichorean Who Lost Dignity

Is Sad, Sad Story—Yes Indeed!

Even a dignified senior falls at times!

At noon-time one day last week, over in the gymnasium, as the dance partners were enjoying themselves, the presence of such familiar dance bands as Jan Garber, Ozie Nelson, Guy Lombardo, and many others, Johnny Bates, the senior, was seen to approach Eleanor Campbell, a freshman, and request the next dance.

The next minute Johnny sat right in the gymnasium, as the dance floor and out the other couples.

They go into a strange, rather complete discussion from One John to Owls. They have thought it desirable to have chapel only three times a week. This is impossible, however, as there is a state precedent which will not permit it.

Chapel attendance should be just as important as class attendance. Let us try to make it so. Also let us make constructive criticism of the chapel. "Our chapel programs are good; let us make them better." This is Dr. Scott's challenge to us.

Several other topics were discussed at this meeting. The S. C. A. dance will be a semi-formal. We shall have new hymn books in chapel in the near future, these to be brought in allotment. A nominating committee was chosen for officers for next year.
Our basketball team need not feel at all disenchanted, even though victory and the Harrington Trophy went to the Fitchburg quintette on the evening of January 26, for the exhibition of fight put up by our new cheerleaders, together with the wonderful enthusiasm called forth by our new cheerleaders, must carry B. T. C. to victory in the games to come. There can be no alternative, for the remaining schedule promises first-class competition.

Schedule Planned

As Campus Comment goes to press the team will play to Providence to clash with Bryant and Stratton Business College. After a three-day rest, Kilman and Co. will display its wares again on February 9 at the Albert Gardner Boyden Gymnasium. To whom the ball will go is hard to tell, but many feel that Kiernan's basketeers will be heading the road, and with but two days' rest, Kiernan's basketeers probably will be the opposing team. While the invading team is still in question at this writing, the date never-the-less is certain.

On the road again, B. T. C. will meet the Assumption College quintette on February 12. Assumption pinned a 30 to 55 defeat on Bridgewater several weeks ago because our team was considerably off form in the first half. Bridgewater probably will be the opposing team. While the invading team is still in question at this writing, the date never-the-less is certain.

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One of the new ideas to be carried out this year is that of decorating the gymnasium for the occasion. Mascots have been chosen for the two factions, a red rooster for the Reds, and a white elephant for the Whites.

A program has been worked out to include all classes. Each division will compete one day and take part in one competitive game. Freshmen will give a demonstration of folk dancing and will compete in relays. The seniors will compete in stunts and give a mimetic drill demonstration. The juniors will present a jump-rope drill and take part in hit-and-run baseball to obtain their competitive points. Bridminton, pindle tennis, and shuffle-board constitute the senior competition.

The Red and White basketball game which will take place on Monday, February 11, will offer another means of obtaining points for either the Red or the White. This will be reckoned in the final score at the Winter Meet. The tentative list of judges is as follows: Dr. Zenas E. Scott, Miss Lois E. D'Alessio, Mr. Frank Cruzer, Miss Alice Breau, and Miss Mary J. Caldwell. Assistant judges will be Arlene Kelleher, president of W. A. A.; Irene Kidd, president of the Student Cooperative Association; Audrey Tripp, vice-president of Student Cops; Mary Campbell, treasurer of the senior class; and Alina Foley, president of the Day Student Council.

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