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Earhardt to be President of Next Year's Graduates; Johnston and McGhee to Preside Over Lower Classes.

Elections Held During Monthly Class Meeting

Next year's sophomore class elected their officers during class meeting on Tuesday, April 7. William McGhee was chosen for president, Princess Eisenhauser, vice-president, Rose Leonard, secretary, and Clement Daley, treasurer.

Mr. McGhee has held the office of secretary this year, and Miss Eisenhauser, the present vice-president, served as general chairman of the freshman class. Rose Leonard has been a member of Campus Comment staff this year, and Clement Daley needs no introduction especially to basketball fans.

The Juniors of next year have shown wise judgment in electing again to the presidency of their class, George Johnston. Mr. Johnston has capably carried on the duties of that office during the past year.

Other officers of the incoming class are Dorothy Perkins, vice-president; June Sherman, secretary; Olive Gardner, treasurer.

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New S. C. A. Officers Attend Convention

B. T. C. was proud to be represented at the Eastern States Association of Professional Schools for Teachers' Convention, held at the Commodore Hotel in New York, by Katherine Donahue, Mary Bartley, and James Peebles from the junior class and by Miss Smith from the faculty.

All delegates were enthusiastic about the benefits derived from the conference, particularly from the panel discussions, where one could benefit from the opinions offered by various individuals from the 600 delegations representing most of the Teachers Colleges of the East. Bridge-waterites were interested in finding that their problems were common problems—that budgets, chapel attendance, politics, and assembly participation were an obsession of the other schools as well. Our new S. C. A. president found these panel discussions the most worthwhile feature and felt that they offered very workable solutions for improving one's own school.

The problems for the faculty tended toward modern trends, such as the use of radio in education.

Professor Bagley of Columbia was one of the speakers at a general gathering.

The convention was not without its social side, however, and the delegates enjoyed a banquet and dance in the Grand Ball Room on Friday night. They also found time to attend the theatre and visit Radio City, Rockefeller Center, and other points of interest.

A rough sea on the return trip added to the interest of the whole trip.

Social Calendar

April 10—Good Friday.
April 17-27—Spring Recession.
May 1—Glee Club Concert.
May 8—Alpha Semi-Formal.
May 15—Dramatic Club Play, "Merchant of Venice".
May 22—Men's Glee Club Concert.
June 5—Campus Carnival.
June 7—Baccalaureate.
June 8—Senior Promenade.
June 10—Senior Class Picnic.
June 11—Faculty Reception.
June 12—Class Day; Graduation; Ivy March.

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Contemporary Books Subject of Lecture

Dr. William Lyon Phelps, Professor Emeritus of English Literature at Yale University, was the speaker presented by Lecture Fund Committee Monday afternoon, March 30, in the Horace Mann Auditorium. His topic was "Contemporary Books".

The writing of "Good-bye, Mr. Chips", that sentimental masterpiece by James Hilton, was discussed by Dr. Phelps. He told of his friendship with Mr. Hilton, and the inside story about the book. It was due to a persistent editor that the story was written. The unknown Mr. Hilton was commissioned to write a story, but could think of nothing to write. Finally he mounted his bicycle and made up his mind not to get off it until he had a story clearly in mind, and Mr. Chips was born. Dr. Phelps remarked that Mr. Hilton does not treat his heroines well for they all die a gruesome and early death.

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The Girls Glee Club is extremely fortunate to have as the special feature of their concert on May 1, Bruce Simonds, distinguished pianist, as soloist.

He is an artist of undoubted talent, having studied with Harold Bauer, Vincent d'Indy, and Tobias Matthay and has the honor of being the first American to receive the Chappell medal for excellence in piano playing. He has twice been soloist with the Boston Symphony orchestra. Other engagements include soloist playing with the Cleveland, Minneapolis, and Philadelphia Symphonies as well as with others where his playing created something of a sensation. He is declared by some critics to be one of the greatest living pianists. It is a rare opportunity to hear him.

The girls are singing a group of Shakespearean songs, German songs, and a group of songs by Elgar.

Dr. Phelps, who has spent most of his life in universities as student and teacher, said, "the most exciting, romantic, and adventurous life is the life of a teacher."

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Our Book Reviewer, — "The Last Puritan"

There is a certain race of people which makes a fetish of the growing and eating of a melon. From the moment of planting, the seed is guarded jealously. As the plant grows, careful observations are made in order to determine at just what moment the moment of its fruit will be best for eating. When that moment arrives, the melon is carried with great ceremony to the master of the house, who consumes it with the gardener who receives his pleasure vigorously.

When I read The Last Puritan by George Santayana, I immediately thought of this custom. I saw Santayana as the gardener, selecting the choicest seed he could find, imbedding it in the finest soil, calling on all his knowledge and past experiences to aid in bringing this seed to a perfect maturity. At the time when he felt his labors at an end, he relinquished the book from his care. Its enthusiastic reception is in a fair way to repay him.

To the average student at Bridgewater, studying and knowledge are just means to an end—the great god, Job. Contact with a mind like Santayana's even though it only be contact with the written word, should make Mr. Average Student realize the foolishness of his attitude toward learning. Not only has Mr. Santayana painted characters which make us envy them their intellects and knowledge, but his own great mind gleams through the 500 odd pages of the book and at once humbles and goads our minds.

A cursory reading of The Last Puritan is not enough. It needs to be read and re-read, and all the philosophic passages marked for future thought; for no matter how concrete and unphilosophical you may pride yourself on being, there is something in this book that will make you think and philosophize. The philosophy does not consist of abstract wondering as to whether one is really eating a pickle or just imagining it, neither is it out of the reach of any intelligent member of this student body.

The characters in the book are not well rounded. I felt at times that Santayana was speaking through Oliver, the Puritan hero, or whatever other character. Oliver seems a rather incredible youth. His imperviousness to practically all, to us, primitive impulses, is astounding, and his ability to maintain his mental and physical chastity in Beckett's pre-war Europe, is more incredible. Mario Van Weyer is, I believe, Mr. Santayana's favorite character and as such, becomes the reader's unless said reader is fundamentally opposed to all Mrs. Santayana believes and represents.

The dialogue in the book is very unrealistic, long, involved sentences replacing the jerky utterances of real life. Yet the dialogue holds the attention of the reader.

The stories of Harvard, Yale and Eton are excellent and especially interesting to you as students. But Oliver will hold your thoughts after the book has been read. Oliver who dedicated himself "to the truth, to living in the present of the noblest things we can conceive. If we can't live so, we won't live at all."

And in that statement I feel lies Santayana's feelings in regard to the book. He wrote it only when sure of the truth and nobleness and as such we accept it.

Kathryn Ross

Illustrated Lecture

Given on Photography

"Amateur Photography" was the subject of the chapel program on Tuesday evening, March 31, 1938, when Camera Club presented Professor Melville of Clark University.

Professor Melville spoke of the universal review of the history and development illustrating his points by slides of the daguerreotype era. After this, he continued to demonstrate unusual effects of scene and lighting and how these could be obtained by the amateur. The program was concluded by a series of slides taken on a tour of the United States.

Note

Campus Comment will publish its Commencement issue on June 4. Any suggestions as to novel arrangements of paper, use of photographs, or type of material will be gladly received. Any snapshots you feel you would like to have printed must be submitted to Oliver by May 22nd.
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Voting Completed
For New Councils

Bridgewater is going full speed ahead for the next year. Elections have been carried on for Day Student and Dormitory Council officers and for presidents of the sororities. Congratulations are due to Nellie Beaton, president of Day Students; Frances Penley, first vice-president; Virginia Lovec, second vice-president; Anna Anderson, secretary; Nona Sullivian, treasurer; Dorothy Cushman, assistant treasurer; to Harriet Robinson, president of Day Students; Eleanor Sisson, secretary; to Harriet of Woodward.

The success of next year is assured by the choice of such capable officers.

Olympics Are Coming!

STUDENTS—
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at an interesting and, here Bridgewatarians realized the same of their application. Miss Rand and Mr. Stearns procured tickets for the students interested.

So, if you attended the afternoon performance of "Carmen" and thrilled to the tones of Ross Ponselle and at the blazing color of the stage you found that there was a complete row and a half from B. T. C. enjoying it with you; or perhaps you completely lost yourself and your present surroundings before the lovely sassafras a garden note at the Spring Flower Show, and were brought back by a tap on your shoulder and a beaming Bridgewatarian.

At any rate all points to the fact that B. T. C. does make its presence felt in the more cultivated circles.

Olympics Are Coming!

Practice Teaching
April 6 - June 12

The following students have been assigned to neighboring cities and towns for practice teaching: Miriam Snow and John Ryan, Bridgewater; Francis Guerin and Elizabeth Mullen, Brockton; Alfred Cox and Henry Shaw, Middleboro; Harrison Smith, Plymouth; Dorothea Ash, Quincy; and Henry Plausse, Whitman.

The following students have been appointed to the training school: Elizabeth Dix, Miss Lockwood; Marilyn Francis, M. L. Lindquist; Dorothy Kirby, Miss Warner; Barbara Fosley, Miss Borchard; Marie Bromley, Miss Packard; Isabel Jenkins, Miss Sleeper; Dorothy Bell, Miss Braley; Dorcas Moon, Miss Thompson; Katherine Gavitt, Elizabeth Raymond and Marjory Russell, Miss Marks.

Tabor Academy Students
Speak to German Club

The German Club, at its last meeting, welcomed two students from Tabor Academy, who had studied in Germany, Charles Hadley and David Chittin. Neither of the boys could speak German before going.

Mr. Hadley spoke of their trip, the homes they lived in during their stay, and the school which they attended. He told of the rigid routine which he had to follow while he attended the National Political School.

Mr. Chittin spoke of Germany's foreign policy. He characterized Hitler as a power-loving man and not desirous of war.

School Contributes
To Worthy Cause

For the past two weeks, students and faculty of the college, under the direction of Barbara Albret, have donated money for Red Cross relief. The need for funds to repair flood damage is urgent; food and clothing must be provided immediately for destitute families.

Communities and organizations throughout New England are contributing to a general fund. The students of this college are expected to contribute at least $100. At the beginning of last week 60 had been collected. Faculty members are contributing, separately, and will add their donations to those of the State Department; some members of the faculty--mostly small sums daily in chapel to the students' fund. Clubs and organizations are giving on the average of $5.00 each.

Elections Held
For Officers of Alpha

On Thursday, March 26, under the direction of Miss Ruth Rumpa, the students voted on the candidates for the offices of assistants of Alpha, the college yearbook. It is customary that the students elected shall succeed their various departmental heads.

Pretty and efficient "Polly" Hull attained the office of assistant editor-in-chief. The finances will be ably managed by Gordon Parsons with the assistance of John Smith. One may be sure that the photography will be excellent owing to the supervision of clever Joe Chiatti. The business end will be well held up by John McGovern and that speaks for itself.

Announcement Made of Favor Selection

The announcement of "prom" favors was made at the monthly meeting of the senior class on Tuesday, April 7, by Esther Thorley, who has been acting-chairman of the favor committee; while the regular chairman, Cornellia Sullivan, has been training.

The favor selected for the girls is a silver compact with a raised silver chain and knife. The chain is of three-eights-of-an-inch links and the knife has on it the school seal.

The programs are of white leather, the cover matching exactly that of the compacts in design.

The "prom" committee, headed by John Ryan, has secured the Parker House in Boston for the dance. The music committee, under the leadership of John Nolan, was able to hire Jack Marshard's orchestra for a nominal sum. Ruth Cronin, chairman of the refreshment committee, also announced at the meeting the plan of the serving of refreshments to the guests.

In response to the question of what class dues, which include fees for "prom" and class picnic.

Olympics Are Coming!

For New Councils

The freshman class proved its ability to run a successful social on Friday, March 27, when it was revealed that it was raining. Dr. Phelps was able to inform the guests that the rain was a natural phenomenon and that the evening would go on.

Mr. McGhee's offer to supply guests for those desiring partners for the evening was accepted by so many students that Mr. McGhee was unable to fulfill all requests. There were about one hundred and sixty people in attendance and it was very evident that everyone enjoyed himself immensely.

Freshmen Praised
On Successful Social

Dr. and Mrs. Scott, Miss Bell, Miss Henderson, Miss Caldwell, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Shaw and Mr. Tyn dall were patrons and patrons.

The heads of committees were as follows: Priscilla Eisenhower, general chairman; Gerald Conner and Eleanor Savaria, hospitality; William McGhee, publicity and tickets; Barbara Roland, decorations; Philip Farnum, refreshments; Wesley Coulter, orchestra; Philip Farnum, clean-up.

BOOKS—
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lished in his 74th year. Mr. Santayana, though a Spaniard by birth, writes beautiful English. Dr. Phelps recently accused Santayana of not loving life, to which Santayana replied, "really intelligent people don't love life." This is true of Santayana's almost perfect hero of "In Last Far­ litan," who could not find a woman to marry him because of this indifference toward life. Accused by Dr. Phelps of having his characters say things so beautifully that they are not lifelike, Mr. Santayana retorted, "My characters speak to me—they speak my language."

George Chadwick's book, "The American Army in France" was recommended by Dr. Phelps. "The Return to Religion" by Henry C. Link was also enthusiastically suggested for reading; it is a book full of common sense and good advice on how to get along in life, written by a professional psychologist.

What I think of Gertrude Stein is hardly fit for publication," retorted Dr. Phelps when asked his opinion of Miss Stein. "The Autobiography of Alice B. Toklas" is quite good in places, but there are many now and then, some most ridiculous state­ments."

George Bernard Shaw was described as an exeanber man with a long white beard. Mr. Shaw does not drink, does not smoke, and eats no meat. This may be the answer to longevity; at any rate, it is the answer to a demand for more time for conversation at meals.

Dr. Phelps appearance was quite interesting. He was of medium height, yellow shirt, brown shoes, and a brown-figured tie. There was a funny little pocket thrown midway down the right side of his coat in which Dr. Phelps kept putting his right thumb and forefinger. Leaning against the stand, he spoke easily, simply, and beautifully.
Soccer Team Enters Taunton Tourney

During the lay-off between the college basket-ball and baseball seasons, the boys are managing to keep in shape by going far afield for their activities. Last fall's soccer squad is entered in the Taunton Cup Tourney as the Bridgewater Touring Collegians, while this year's basketball varsity will compete in the Brockton Enterprise Tourney under the same name as their soccer brothers.

Last Sunday the college cup competitors lost a hard fought battle at Taunton by a score of 2 to 1 to the Gil and Silveria team, winners of the cup in the last two Tourneys.

The game was played cautiously during most of the first half, but toward the end the home team scored by taking a difficult angle shot which "Joe" Symeatowic had little chance to save.

Jack Nolan Scores to Make Tie

Early in the second half, one of the Taunton players committed a foul within Bridgewater's penalty area, causing "Jack" Nolan to be allowed a penalty kick. The ball blazed by the goalie without his even seeing it, and the score was tied. Shortly afterwards, "Scotty" Parsons took a long pass and converted it for a goal, but he was declared offside and consequently the goal was disallowed.

A few minutes later, the college forward line broke through and slammed one at the goal, but the goalie had little chance to save it before he was able to throw it out, however, three men rushed him through the goal, but while this would have scored a score under Intercollegiate Rules, the Tourney rules call it illegal.

Opponents Pop Into Lead

Gil and Silveria retaliated by sweeping up the fields and cleverly playing the Gil and Silveira outfit when they left an opponent's hands—famed as the team's peaks—will not coach next year but his successor will have more—glue to opposing high scorers and will make good defense and team work the real strong points—shooting was the major flaw—though they had more shots than their opponents, they missed the early ones as the team's peaks—will not coach next year but his successor will have more—glue to opposing high scorers and will make good defense and team work the real strong points—shooting was the major flaw—though they had more shots than their opponents, they missed the early ones.

Our Sports Editor Presents To His Readers

Thumbnail Sketches of Basketball Team

CAPTAIN PAUL OLENICK—forward—senior—last year's high scorer—out more than half this season after an appendix operation—yet stood high on the record—dead eye on hook shots from the corners—keeps team going at a killing pace by setting an example.

STUDENT COACH JACK NOLAN—forward—senior—180 pounds of nervous energy—confined most of his coaching efforts to good Jayvee squad—also starred as leader of B. T. C.'s best soccer team in years.

THE TEAM—losing only to New Britain, who is said to have been defeated by Fitchburg and another T. C., Bridgewater might lay claim to the New England Teachers College Championship—won almost every game—probably best Bridgewater team ever—loses two men by graduation/watch the rest go next year!

The Power Behind the Team

FACULTY COACH PAUL HUFFINGTON—husky little heckler of lazy Gees, students—known in the dorms as the "man with the romantic eyelashes" (notice them)—former basketball star and quarter miler at Illinois State Normal University—picked up an enviable reputation on professional courses—took coaching courses at the University of Illinois—coached football, basketball, and truck in high schools throughout that state—Bridgewater is the first coaching job he's handled in this part of the country—feels that every one of this year's squad tried his best, but on what few occasions they did lose, were defeated by teams collectively and also individually good—defense and team work were the real strong points—shooting was the major flaw—though they had more shots than their opponents, they missed the early ones.

Plans for Olympics Nearing Completion

Extensive plans for the "Olympics" are being made by division Bi. Ruth Metcalf is acting as general chairman for this event in which each class will represent different countries as follows: Seniors—Norway and Sweden; Juniors—United States and Argentina; Sophomores—France and England; and freshmen—Japan and Finland.

Tennis, teniquoit, baseball and vollely ball are to be featured sports in which each country will try to win the honors.

There will also be a special sports program for the faculty to engage in.

Other chairmen include Marie von Bergen, hospitality; Agnes Lane, program; Eileen Grill, scoring; Rosamond Imhof, officials; Wilma Quinn, equipment; Arvis Brown, decorations; and F. Brough, publicity.

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