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Pageant Directors Rally Groups For Final Touches

Bridgewater through the century! An institution which has distinguished itself in teacher training draws to a close the final activity of its first one hundred years of existence in the pageantry of the School of Today and Its Contributions to the Future.

The pageant, entitled “The First Century”, will be presented tonight in the gymnasium. The different themes include: "Let these traditions of mind and spirit last another cycle of years," is composed of a series of scenes, high.

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B. T. C. Instructor Sponsors Science Association To Link Junior, Senior High Schools

Over 100 science teachers from junior and senior high schools within a 20-mile radius of Bridgewater are to band into a science association for solution of common problems under the leadership of Frederick A. Meier, Bridgewater instructor.

With the members of the Science Teachers Association, this year the Science Teachers Association will soon be planning the pageant. Each year the pageant will focus on mutual problems and requirements for teaching in the different science levels. One or two meetings will be held here each year; the first one is scheduled for next fall.

Centennial Senior Prom Will Be At Hotel Sheraton

Hotel Sheraton's modern ballroom overlooking the Charles river has been selected by the committee for a visit of the seniors on Monday night, June 3. Seniors and their guests will have access to the red garden and the lounge. Music will be supplied by Ken Reeves and his orchestra, who also played for last year's Prom.

The Honorary Committee has chosen an annual for the girls and key chains for the men attending the Prom. Each favor will bear the seal of the class.

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Fieldston-on-the-Atlantic Chosen for Senior Picnic

Senior class picnic will be held at Fieldston, on Wednesday, June 5. In the morning, the seniors will board buses in Bridgewater at 10:00 A. M. for a full day of relaxation including swimming, bowling, dancing, playing baseball, or trying their skill in the shooting gallery.

Mary Wall is the general chairman for this outing and is assisted by Irma of the fieldston orchestra, and Edwin Randall are in charge of games and entertainment.

Prominent State Figures To Speak at Graduation

ARTHUR L. GOULD
Graduation Speaker

His Excellency, Governor Leverett B. Saltonstall will give official greetings from the State to the Graduation exercises of the class of 1940 at 2:00 P. M. on June 7. Greetings from the Department of Education of Massachusetts will be extended by Mr. Walter F. Downey, State Commissioner of Education and Mr. Patrick J. Sullivan, Director of the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education and State Teachers Colleges. Mr. Arthur L. Gould, Superintendent of the Boston Schools will deliver the main address of the afternoon. His topic is to be "The Teacher's Growing Responsibility."

Mr. Gould is an alumnus of B. T. C., class of 1900.

Twenty-one colleges and professional associations have accepted invitations to participate in the Graduation Centennial program. Among them are the Massachusetts Intercollegiate Association, Massachusetts School of Art, Emerson College, National Education Association, University of Buffalo School of Education, College of the City of New York, Massachusetts State College, Boston College, and Holy Cross, as well as Teachers Colleges from Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Following the traditional planting of the Greece oracle, the Alpha dance committee will add humor to the scene.

Dr. Frank P. Speare, president of Northeastern University, an alumnus of Bridgewater in the class of 1889, is to deliver the Baccalaureate lecture at the Commencement. Dr. Speare's address is to be "Education, the Great Profession."

President John J. Kelly will be in charge of the exercises. Inspirational music, selected and supervised by Miss Prince's, and also a Bridge- water graduate, conceived the idea of presenting the organ in the name of Miss Prince as a centennial gift to the college.

Gift Organ To Be Ready For June 1 Installation

Work on the installation of the new Aeolian-Skinner organ in the Horace Mann Auditorium is rapidly in progress. On June 1 the organ will be formally presented, and will be played in public for the first time.

This centennial gift is dedicated to Miss Prince's, R. C. Prince, graduate of Bridgewater, and instructor here, also. For forty years Miss Prince taught in the Horace Mann School, during which time she inspired countless students, and became a beloved and integral part of this institution.

Miss Beall M. Page, executor of Miss Prince's will, and also a Bridge- water graduate, conceived the idea of presenting the organ in the name of Miss Prince as a centennial gift to the college.

To the right of the reception line, Mt. Boyden House is the project of Mr. Reynolds, president of Massachusetts School of Education and Mr. Patrick J. Sullivan, President of Massachusetts School of Art, both former instructors at Bridge- water. The dedications are steeped in tradition, with the former being for the home interests and educational work of Miss Beal and the domestic and art interests of Miss Reynolds.

Alpha features two original stories, "Dance Life" and "Grieving Life", illustrated by John Henry Fitzgerald. Seven full-page pictures of campus buildings, and three sheets of informal senior shots comprise a unique photographic section.

Both Alpha and the Centennial Book of Bridgewater State Teachers Colleges are edited by Annette Brown, editor-in-chief; Margaret Methe, literary editor; Muriel Logan, art editor; Edwin Randall, advertising manager; Henry Spatz, business manager; Gerald Connor, photography editor; Vernon Nickerson, treasurer, and Miss Mara Chalpin, secretary. Miss Mara C. Vining and Dr. Robert C. Maxwell are faculty advisors.

Champion V. F. W. Band Feature of Alumni Reunion

Bridgewater Alumni Reunion, to be held this Friday evening, May 31, will feature a band concert by the V. F. W. National Champion Junior Band.

Other highlights include class reunions, historical exhibits, moving pictures of past commencement exercises and alumni day parades, and a promenade of old-fashioned and modern dancing.

Speakers scheduled for the evening are Leo F. Nourse, chairman of the Alumni Board of Selectmen; President John J. Kelly, Mrs. Elizabeth West Fiped, '97, Miss Flora M. Stuart, "87, and Mrs. Harriet Hunt, 11.
The latest of the historical exhibits is in the lobby and in the corridor between Miss Smith's and Mr. Dargie's rooms. Pictures found here are varied, ranging from a picture of the old building in 1840 to the last football team in 1922. Some of the pictures are valuable. There is one of which there are only two copies in existence. One of these hangs in the office of Superintendent Gould in Boston, and the other was sent to the school by Mr. Arthur Nickerson of Boston. It is a picture of the baseball team of 1898. What makes this picture particularly non-worthy is that every one of the men is now either a superintendent or headmaster of a school.

There are also pictures of the great fire which destroyed the old buildings in 1924. Near them can be found eye-witness descriptions of the fire, written by students of the college at that time. In the lobby may be found pictures of some of the old graduating classes. Also in the cabinet are a pair of old-fashioned glasses which were considered "de rigueur" for the up-to-date teachers of the last century. Faculty photographs are also of interest, as is the picture of Miss Eliza Woodward, after whom Woodward dormitory was named. Present, too, are pictures of the girls in the gym costumes of that period.

Pictorial Exhibit Traces Stages In College Growth

We hail thee, Alma Mater;
For love and human good.
May hundreds more be added,
In singing, Alma Mater.

Our fathers, our mothers,
Their acclamations rise.
Then the students of Boston,
And this school, with them.

It should be backed with good hard work.

If we have momentarily retreated
To think they will be found wanting.
Your leaving it?

I write this not to approve or disapprove
What cause withholds you then to

Friends, you have read my thoughts—

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May hundreds more be added,
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Fashion notes: Nancy Marquette, Geo. Doberly, Rusty Logan, Red McHugh, Jan Brennan, adopting the Washington hair-do. ... Jean Whitling and Fran Pinand looking fetching in suspenders. ... Agnes Higgin in sheer blouses. Marilyn Study's beaten silver ring. ... Laura Pearson in a bright yellow cardigan and Alice Cole in a pink cardigan. ... Jane Raymond in a pink skirt with enormous patch pockets. ... Rosalie Hatchfield and her lovely new up-awing. ... Helen Tabbert's pictorial vacation dress. ... Grace Wall with daisy shaped dark glasses.

Photographers have been popping out of the bushes to snap at the students in typical collegiate poses. Mary McCauley called the W. A. A. meeting together on the steps of the gym one day—and barking of comings and goings of a determined layman. Miss Hill ordering "important people"—seniors—off the front steps during freshman speech class. Barbara Prince arranging a display of daffodils in the library. Ginny Pekarski wearing her dark glasses to dramatics class.

Miss Beal To Conduct Educational Conclave

Miss Alice B. Beal, present state supervisor of education, will return to Bridgewater June 24-26 to conduct an Educational Institute, one of the first of its kind in this state, jointly sponsored by the State Department of Education and the Massachusetts Teachers College Association. The Institute will be conducted as a study group with the attendance limited to 50. Application may be made, but admission will be on the basis of adequate representation for all sections of the state. The main subject of the conference will be a comprehensive study of teaching reading in the elementary grades.

Among the large number of speakers scheduled at present may be many of our own faculty who will participate. They include Miss Lockwood, Miss Thompson, Grace Smith, Miss Lindquist, Miss New, Mr. Brendle Hunt, and Miss Ruth E. Davis.

Speakers from other teachers colleges will be Dr. Boudy and Miss Broden of North Adams; Miss Bruce and Miss McCarty of Fitchburg; Mr. Reynolds of the Massachusetts School of Art; Miss Rowland and Miss Bradford of Hyannis.

Senior Week Committees

Complete Activity Plans

Senior activities committees have nearly completed their work. Winifred Silveira reports favorably for the Senior Snooze, the exchange of songs between the upperclassmen and lowerclassmen which is part of the Faculty Reception program. Pauline Munro is in charge of underclass songs. Other members of the senior committee are Eleanor Murphy and Jane Raymond.

Committee Members

The from committees are under four general heads—hall, hospitality, programs and favors, and music. Mary D'Costa heads the hall committee and is assisted by Eleanor Walsh, Anna Kelley, Bernard Castelman, and Harold Zolitz. Hospitality is being taken care of by Barbara Prince, chairman, Nan Purcell, Janice Brennan, and Barbara Taylor. Alba Marvinelli's committee has selected the programs and favors. Other members of her committee are Margorie Bondy, Ruth Chadwick, Richard Farvoll, Samod Duch, and Winifred Silveira. Virginia Pekarski has arranged for the senior class and guests to dance to the rhythms of Ken Reeves and his band. Dorothy Hannon, Geraldine Wardwell, William Shley, and Margaret Wall aided in this selection.

Invitations Appear

Invitations for all commencement functions were chosen by Agnes Higgin and her committee, which is composed of Laura Pearson, Claire Gurran, Harriette Mayo, and Betty Foster.

Cups and gowns have been managed by Barbara Freeman, with Esther Kelley assisting.

The Ivy March is being planned by

Martin Killory, President
Mary Queenen, Treasurer

MESSAGE from S. C. A. LEADER

S. C. A.—just what do the three letters mean? Of course, the obvious answer—"Student Cooperative Association". It is the largest organization on the campus—every student is a member—therefore, it is rightfully called a "student organization". But what about the "co-operative"? It is the spirit of complete co-operation that is the goal toward which we constantly strive.

You have chosen good leaders for next year, people who will work hard to arrive nearer this end, but it can’t be reached by being alone. Every student of the college must exert himself to cooperate to his utmost in every way.

It is to you, underclassmen, that I leave the challenge—each of you should realize your importance as a member of the organization, and should do your part in making it, completely, a Student "Co-operative" Association.

It has been a truly wonderful experience for me to work as the leader of the S. C. A. One couldn’t ask for a more loyal, willing, or hard-working council, than the one with which I’ve had the pleasure of working. The members deserve a great deal of credit and appreciation for their successful efforts. Together we have arrived at a goal—we have made our college bigger and better than we found it; I believe we have succeeded.

It is our council of 1939-40 that has the honor of writing this big chapter in the history of our college. It is your council of 1940-41 that will have the hallowed responsibility of beginning a new and important chapter. May your pages contain a year of great success and achievement. Good luck and best wishes to all.

Barbara Taylor, President of S. C. A.
HONOR ROLL FOR 1940

ORGANIZATION
Barbara Taylor
Irma Wall

GENERAL SERVICE TO THE CLASS
Martin Killory
Elizabeth McLaughlin

SCHOLARSHIP
Alba Martinelli
Gerald Connor

ART
Muriel Logan
Francis Callan

DRAMATICS

MUSIC
Esther Kelley
Alice Cole

LITERATURE
Margaret Meade
Gertrude King

ATHLETICS
John Tobin
Mary McCann

PUBLICATIONS
Annette Breen
Dave Liverson
Leaders in Education
To Attend Centennial
Commencement Program

Many outstanding men and women who have gained distinction in the field of education are planning to attend Bridgewater College's Centennial Commencement.

Among the prominent educators T. C. will welcome to the college's most impressive celebration of the century are President Joseph R. N. Maxwell of Holy Cross, President Lloyd Young of Keene (N. H.) Teachers College, President Harry Symons of Emerson College, President Ernest L. Silver of Plymouth, (N. H.) Teachers College, President William H. J. Kennedy of the City of Boston Teachers College, President James Dugan of Lowell Teachers College, President Herbert H. Howes of Hyannis Teachers College, President Martin F. O'Connor of Framingham Teachers College, President Charles M. Herlihy of Fitchburg Teachers College, President Charles O. Williams, director of Field Service of the National Education Association, Farmworth Marshall, president of the Massachusetts Superintendents' Association, Howard Wiedmann of the University of Michigan; President Ernest Herlihy of Fitchburg Teachers College, President Howard Wiedmann of Boston College will be present.

Training School Teacher Is Longest in Service

Miss Nellie L. Lockwood, of the training school, holds the record for being longest in teaching service at Bridgewater. Her blue eyes twinkled as she smiled and settled back in her chair, saying, "I'm afraid it's not a very good subject to be interviewed, for I'm only an ordinary teacher." Her quiet manner put me at ease and, as we talked, I found myself hoping that the Training School teacher would be as pleasant and unassuming as Miss Lockwood.

There were some interesting stories one of such wide experience could tell starting on a similar career," with the disparaging smile of a Vermont she began. "As the years go on, I find that more and more of the student teachers change very little or, perhaps, the change comes so gradually that I fail to notice it. The boys and girls now have a much better foundation of knowledge, probably because of the radio and motion pictures.

Methods Change

"The methods have changed so much that only by studying at Boston University and Columbia do I manage to keep up with that as it is constantly being formulated.

"As for the students themselves we begin this way. When I came here from a Vermont normal school, the dormitory pupils spent much of their spare time studying. On Saturday mornings from 9 to 12, we studied. The boys and girls did not dance together, except at

Thirty-Two Years of Service
Noted By Power Plant Engineer

One fine day back in 1908, a brisk young man clad in overalls, cap, and coat, entered Dr. Arthur C. Boyden's inner sanctum in the main building of Bridgewater Normal School. Without as much as a "Howdydo!" the young man took the big iron key in his teeth to shoot the following query at the formidable person of "A. C."

"Doctor," he said, "I know that you're short-handed just now. How about putting me on the Maintenance Department payroll?"

After ten minutes of careful deliberation, Dr. Boyden rumbled forth, "You look all right to me. Yes, I will put you on for a few days, until we catch up with the work around here."

Well, the long and short of it is that the young man was on the job bright and early next morning, helping to "catch up" — but he hasn't caught up yet. That young man was, and is, George Stephens, veteran power plant engineer of the B. T. C. maintenance staff.

Seeds Buildings Rise

During the thirty years of service, George has watched five buildings rise on the campus. He fought through the Great Fire of 1924 as a youngAPPER

ater, watching the tragic destruction of buildings with all their valuable contents.

George, in his own words, has "seen almost every fancy story move here. Once," he continued, "back in the days when we kept the lawns in shapely rose-colored mounds, we staked two horses on the campus. One the Great Fire of 1924, the other one. Dave Moore used to harness one to those danged mowers and George used to pull away in competition with a horse of a different color."

George solves the question concerning what the present generation is coming to with his opinion that B. T. C. boys are a little more relaxed than the youngsters during the past thirty-two years.

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Becomes Oomph Girl

In the year after her graduation, Nance returned to her room to gain a few moments' rest to the sweet music of a harmonica, and was not too much for my old maid constitution. Nance now owns a huge ranch of polo ponies. Coming down the hall, preceded by a man with numerous pieces of luggage, came a vision of Parisian smartness. I recognized Oomph Girl. Claire Curran, now Mlle. Curran, the famous Hollywood designer.

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Local Advertisers Offer Savings To College Shoppers

"Shop at home" should indeed be the rule for Bridgewaterites this spring, especially with the attractive merchandise and bargain prices at the local stores. At this time every spring presents a great opportunity to shop from the comfort of their own homes. If they need cleaning or pressing take them down to Eddie the Tailor who is offering a twenty per cent. reduction on all work done. Where's that skirt, girls, that you've been meaning to have cleaned for a long time but never got around to? Today is the day to take it down to Eddie the Tailor for re-juvenation.

Have you been into Billy's Restaurant yet? The next time you have an airline ticket, try one of their delicious hamburgers for sundays at college prices. For only a nickel you can play your favorite song on the new recording machine there.

Before the exams are on us, take a few nights off to see some good movies. The Capitol Theater has a fine book- ing for the next few weeks so plan now to see that show you promised yourself to miss.

Not only are your recreational activities taken care of, let's get on to the large assortment of school supplies offered by Dorris Print Shop, the printers of our own Campus Comment. There are many more books and print materials, typewriter ribbons, ink and pencils.

With warm summer days ahead we recommend that every man in Bridge- water get one of those snappy sport shirts in Snow's Friendly Store. They are just the thing for tennis, golf, or lounging around.

While we're on the subject of smart men's wear, well-pressed flannels are a must for summer wear. Have your flannel custom made for graduation and plan to visit J. Lopes—Tailor for only thirty dollars. A bargain price in any language.

For those letters which you must write home when you go away this summer, purchase some stationery now on sale at the Central Square Pharmac- ery. There are so many attractive envelopes and shades you'll have a hard time trying to decide what to buy.

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PRODUCERS DAIRY ICE CREAM
W. A. A. wishes to recognize the fourth year women whose hard work and diligence has helped to make this an important and progressive year.

W. A. A. Council included some lively seniors this year. Bouquets to Mary McCann, a grand president, and her helpers, Margaret McHugh and Janice Kimball, vice-presidents, Alba Martinelli and Jean Whitting, board workers, and secretary-treasurer, and Norma Tuomala, "The Keeper of the Cash".

Many thanks are due Mary Queenan who ably handled the schedules for hockey and soccer while Madelyn Olenick and Mary Finn were our practice teaching. Eleanor Walsh has coached, and successfully we hear, the beginners group in Tennis and Barb Taylor has been leading the advanced racquet-swingers. Bowling under Margaret Madar reached a new high this year; and everyone who has been on lower campus this year has seen for himself the crowd which greeted Barb Freeman's call for soft-ball practice. Under Manie Wright, head of et cetera sports, "co-rec" sports were in full swing on Friday afternoons. Feminine Robin Hoods on lower campus were led by Ida George. Division reps were Winfred Laugar and Pat Harrington.

Senior Recessions:—September 1940, Hockey, Soccer, left-over Tennis. All exactly as it had been for the past three Septembers; but, ah, something new—our first inter-collegiate tennis matches with Hynnais Teachers College. It seems Hynnais doesn't have courts like ours to practice on, and so we weren't surprised to beat them— but that isn't the point anyway, it was fun and we hope you'll do it again next year.

We've put ourselves on the back for bringing the first Professional Dance Recital to the College. Pauline Chellis gave us something really to work for.

Didn't you like the first issue of the W. A. A. News Bulletin? At least it was instigated by the seniors, even if not put out by them. We're proud of it! We've no only broken traditions, (especially financial ones) and made traditions this year but we've also carried on many old traditions. The Second Annual Alumnae Co-Rec Sports Day went off with a bang. The Fourth Annual Salem Basketball Play-Day was the envy of all non-participants; and the Time-Honored Spring Round-Up and Banquet was a fitting climax.

So we leave you—our hopes, our successes, our ??? Do with them what you will.

Men's Athletic Group
Asks Co-ed Co-operation

Men's Athletic Association of B. T. C. has issued an appeal to the women students for co-operation in a drive to secure more funds for the program of inter-collegiate sports carried on by the college. M. A. A. voiced its problems to the Student Council and hopes soon to place it before all the students.

According to authority, the financial set-up for these sports is as follows: each man student contributes in his budget fee $2.00 to the men's athletic fund; each woman contributes 50 cents to the women's athletic fund; every man and woman receives four tickets, worth 50 cents, for men's basketball games. The contention of M. A. A. is that, if each woman were to contribute 50 cents to a fund for intercollegiate sports, Bridgewater would help to finance the athletic program on a real college basis.

Transportation Needed

As matters stand, Bridgewater cannot provide such basic necessities as proper medical care and transportation facilities for the teams which represent the college. For example, nineteen players made the trip of 150 miles to Fitchburg in only three cars, carrying equipment and supplies. Only through an adequate financial set-up may intercollegiate athletics be carried on in a proper manner.

Plymouth Athlete Secures W. A. A. Presidential Post

Mary Briglia, popular feminine athlete from Plymouth, has climaxned her sports career by being elected to the highest office in the women'sorganizations of B. T. C., that of president of the Women's Athletic Association.

Last season Mary successfully headed the Spring Round-up. This year she was General Chairman of Salem Sports Day and Head of Women's Basketball. Congratulations are also in order for Eileen Walsh, first vice-president; Katherine Nolan, second vice-president; Catherine McGlinn, treasurer; Natalie Taylor, assistant treasurer; Marguerite Roach, financial secretary; Agness Richardson, corresponding secretary; and Doris Burdell, recording secretary.

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SAVE THE DATE

May 24, 1940

Injuries Cause Changes
In Baseball Line-Up

B. T. C. diamond representatives have presented a new and highly efficient type of play against recent opponents. Hyannis was the first to feel the full force of the controlled Bridge-water machine. Led by the sage of the dungeon, the grey-clad athletes performed with surprising agility. Perhaps the basic cause of the renovated lineup was that age, Injury. Catcher Jim Savage suffered an injured hip, thus necessitating a reconstruction. Jack-of-all-trades Tom Sparkes was transferred to the backstop position, and has played at that spot with his customary ginger. Joe Murphy has been resting, so Freddie Martin has been patrolling the first base bag. Jack Stella still cavalors around his chosen area with ease and capability. Johnny has also become a blizzaking on the base paths, obtaining credit for several pickerled huge ticket. Hollins was moved over to the former Sparks abode, and has proved the wisdom of that change in no uncertain manner.

Patrol Pasture

Far out in the grassy meadows, Jim Costigan and Bill Brodeick still hold their own. Hurley Tobin and Van Annan have pitched somewhat spotty games so far, but luck and the power of B. T. C. bats have combined in their favor.

So, forced by the existing severe circumstances, the team has battled desperately to overcome the lack of registers. Oddly enough, that crew has played better and more productive ball than any previous combination. Because of their unexpected energy, they will continue to be the local representatives, possibly improving with experience.

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