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Campus Comment

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EXAMINATION OF A CHARGE

Review in this issue of "The Education of Free Men," recent publication of the National Education Association, calls the association's Boston convention last June at which much attention was given to teachers themselves. The convention attempted to answer charges that our United States teachers are not willing to enter the full fight for freedom. Strongly worded denunciations of such charges were made by leading educators who spoke for the profession as a solid unit. But the undisputed fact remains, according to some others in the profession, that certain individual teachers are not doing their utmost for the kind of life to which our country is dedicated.

It seems inconceivable that such a situation should exist, for example, in New York City, where newspapers claim to have recognized and felt a deep shame for teachers who blatantly or subtly undermine what the majority consider the safeguards of freedom in a democracy. The charge is that they are instilling in their pupils and students a callousness towards fair-minded approach to our national and international problems.

It is still a question whether they can change our way of living. However, press reports say that these attacks on our fundamental ideology are producing serious dislocations in this country. Defeatism begets disunity at a time of national crisis when it is absolutely essential that all citizens support our federal government.

If these teachers in service really are not concerned with freedom, then also must be the students of education who can be charged with defeatism and lack of support for the program of national action declared to be a necessity by President Roosevelt and his government. Yet these are the men and women whose duty it will be to impart to their pupils the knowledge, discipline, and faith required in our form of government.

We speak frequently of the self-conscious attitude of real teachers who continually evaluate their ideas. "Am I in tune with democracy today?" they ask themselves. The time seems to have arrived when students in teachers colleges and schools of education might ask themselves the same question.

GRANDSTAND PLAYERS NECESSARY

Participants in an athletic contest are not limited to the players on the opposing teams. Twenty-two men and their substitutes out there on the soccer field are only one of two groups which make a soccer game. The other group is also composed of players—supporting players, spectating players.

Why call them players? They don't get into actual play; their place is on the sidelines. But their share in the game can be seriously underestimated. Their reason, perhaps their chief reason, for attending the game must be as players.

They cheer and shout for the home team to the tune of thrills and chills a minute. They play the game with the men out on the field. They raise the spirits of the active players, put new hope in them to win the fight for Bridgewater. They live the game, then, and aid the team.

The charge is, however, that too few of our students are spectator players. The rooting lines are practically empty. No attempt can possibly be made to explain away this lack of interest of support. If you do not support the team, you just do not. And that is that. And, perhaps also, our teams should confine themselves to tea parties with their opponents.

Do not let that happen at Bridgewater. Go up to Legion Field for the next home game—and cheer, be a player!
Dorm Life Proves Weary But Full

Dear Marie,

Oh, dear! Second blinks! And I'm just in the mood for writing a letter. Oh, well, the bliters have taken over the door and the keyhole is taken care of. How to tell you the news, Marie. First of all, Monday night Snootie's boy friend came down to the dormitory and four other fellows from it. You can imagine how we girls were rushed down when she asked us if we would 'consider' going out. We had a super-duper time! Oh, how I suffered in classes Tuesday!

Tuesday night I really meant business in the study room. I was determined to get my笼罩 out of my lap, but I succeeded only in making myself more bored. I was waking up when my roommate came in and dragged me off to a birthday party for one of the ones down the hall. Who was I to refuse a super-duper invitation especially when there were eats.

Oh, how I suffered in classes Wednesday!

A misleading thing happened Wednesday night. I went to bed early to try to forget my troubles and what a night I chose. About eleven o'clock I was roused by the doorbell of the hall alarm. My roommates came in from the room shouting angrily that the fire drill was unsatisfactory. To top it off the drill drill was unsatisfactory so it was repeated three times. No use trying to sleep after that. I was awake the rest of the night.

Oh, how I suffered Thursday!

The proctor just came in and scalloped me for being up. I wouldn't know how she knew I had my light on. Why should she care, the old busy-body?

I've been up so again. I am now in the closet and I can write to my heart's content without further interruption.

This afternoon I went hiking and, to end my perfect week, I got a flirt scene from my dormitory. When I finally did dash into the dining room at 6:15 everyone noticed immediately my slumbering and smoking appearance. I knew that I'd be punished for a week afterwards so I took my final fling tonight and went to the movies. Wouldn't you know the show was bad and I got gawdawful out when I came in fifteen minutes late. If they knew I was up all night I'd be campused for life.

In spite of everything I'm still here and I think dorm life is tops!

Must close now as I'm about to suffocate in this closet. Write soon.

Love,

Brenda

FALL FASHIONS TO PARADE AT SHOW

Teaching, Military Service, Defense Occupy Grads

Members of Bridgewater's class of 1941 have chosen positions in diversified fields. Teaching is the most popular, but not the only field, which the graduates entered.

Franklin Fashley is an inspector in a munitions plant taking care of defense output. Anthony Coddin, from Boston, is a clerk in a world-famous Boston clothing store. Bill Broderick, last season's baseball captain, is at the Fonter River Shipyards, employed in the clerical department.

In search of action, Arthur Applebaum enrolled in the U. S. Air Corps, and is now located at East St. Louis, Illinois. Another volunteer to seek service for Uncle Sam is Bob Van Asten, who is now in the Marines.

MEGAS, A PRINCIPAL

Naturally there are many 1941 graduates who have entered the teaching profession. Nick Megs is principal of a school in Maine. Estelle Mackey is finding Vineyard Haven an interesting place in which to live as well as in which to teach, she told her friends when visiting them at the college.

Edward Sawtich is teaching in Sutton, a small town outside of Worcester. Lorin Felch, class president, is an instructor at a Brockton Junior High, and William Keane, the third member of the Sawtich-Megan-triumvirate stated that his position in Brockton is just what he wanted.

Ruth Small, Florence Kamandulis, and Wilbur Parkinson are all employed in the Fairhaven school system, the latter in a special class at Fairhaven High School.

As placement in teaching positions is high for last year's class, a complete list of all members is not now given.

Nash, 38, Air Corps Pilot Recovers From Crash

Rapidly recovering from injuries suffered in a plane crash at Wampan, Massachusetts this summer is Malcolm Nash, second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Corps and graduate of the 1938 class of Bridgewater. A co-pilot with Nash was killed during maneuvers when the plane crashed, but Nash, although gravely injured, is now on his way to complete recovery.

While attending Bridgewater, Mr. Nash participated in many sports including soccer and baseball. After graduation in June 1938, he began his training as an aviation cadet, and, after seven and a half months of cadetship, he was promoted to the rank of second lieutenant.

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soccer !varriors have been improving a tiny nucleus composed of experienced lously developed several vigorous new beggars. With typical Bridgewater un- expectedness, the decidedly green and rough heen Redlegs started to show signs of potency after losing one tor- rid battle to the Aminoes. All those who knew their soccer knew that flashy Mike Antone would provide most of the zip and zest. Mike came through in superb fashion, exhibiting more scor- ing power than even the most optimi- mistic roosters had prayed for. We re- member the handsome compliments which Mike reserved when he wanted that hot-bed of soccer, Fall River. Members of the team will tell you that for sheer individual brilliance, that explosive solo dash which Mike conjured up at Springfield really was a treat to the eyes. And so, with the personal prowess of the diminutive dervish to build an attack upon, the college has steadily built up what seems at present to be a far better offense than was hoped for. The proof of that offensive setup's power will be revealed in the Fitchburg tilt. THAT is the goal at which twenty stout legs will be driving. Beware, Fitchburg, the day of disaster comes nearer.

Bits of Banter:

So scarce was water in the western hills that our planting athletes were forced to consume several buckets of neokerosene. Our suggestion, offered son has plodded painfully up and down the weary paths of that left outside to despatch the ball at ease. Regardless of his pugnacious tendency, however, Campbell has been extremely depend- able and of great value to the team.

TOPICS OF THE DAY

Approximately 100 delegates from high schools of this area attended the general session held in Horace Mann Auditorium on campus. Departmental meetings were held in the Junior High School following this. Sectional meetings for various depart- ments of school newspapers were con- ducted by Wallace Goldstein, new- sman; Katherine Tiernan, feature; David Dix, sports; Norma Hurley, typography; Joseph Comerford, business; and Bernard Kinella, administration.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

A plant that can live on air alone. It is the "monstera deliciosa" plant, being a member of the same family as MOnstera, some graph one’s attention. In the center of the blossom is the edible part of the fruit which takes fifteen months to ripen. At that rate last year’s fruit will be ripe in five or six weeks and Mr. Stearns doubts whether the five de- licious, orange-colored, luscious fruit to laymen, that will ripen this year will be enough to go around, considering all the promises made for a rate of the fruit.

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On Fitchburg Invasion

BY DAPPER

Full of confidence and aggressiveness, the herding Fitchburg buccaneers from the northwest will soon descend October 31 upon the supposedly helpless guard­ dians of the training school gravel pit. With typical oversight, the swashbuck- ling roughshavers have visions of a push-over. Forgetful of their lack of true soccer ability, the hillmen will step forth upon the field of battle with exactly the attitude that we of the Re and White banners are hoping for. It is pre­ murely scornful of the finer skills or reactions of the ancient sport, the kids from Fitchburg will endeavor to repeat their manhandling procedure at the expense of a smaller and lighter foe.