College Year Will Not Be Shortened -- No Summer Courses at Bridgewater

College year will not be shortened, evidently to refuse possibility of lowered standards. Graduation will be on June 5.

No provision for summer school at Bridgewater has been made because of the number of conferences which will be held here during the recess.

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Campus Comment

Keep Them Happy
By Donating Books
Urges Victory Campaign

Victory Book Campaign begins today at Bridgewater under auspices of the college library and Library Club. Collection center will be in the library at Boyden.

Books for our soldiers, sailors, and marines are wanted to supplement libraries maintained by the Army and Navy.

Library Headquarters

Fiction and non-fiction books are called for. Books not in good condition are to be mended and cleaned by either W. P. A. or volunteer assistants at state headquarters of the campaign.

Campus assistants will be chosen and a book container placed in the library, according to Miss Julia C. Carver, head librarian.

All Can Help

Students are urged to go through their collections at home during the winter recess and select books for the campaign.

Sponsored by The American Library Association, The American Red Cross, and the United Service Organizations, the national headquarters is in New York.

Service Advisory Board
Named For Men

New advisory board for Bridgewater men expecting to join one of the various branches of the United States' service has been formed consisting of the following members of the faculty: Mr. Hunt, chairman; Mr. Davoren and Mr. Hufington.

Solve Course Problems

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Americanism New

Frederick L. Wood Takes
Over Math, Economics

Frederick L. Wood, former University of Illinois and Brown University instructor, is the new instructor of mathematics and economics. Mr. Wood, who was supervisor of training in the Gedetic Department of the Federal Government, will also teach economics during the last quarter.

B.S. Graduate

After graduating from Brown University with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree, Mr. Wood later received a master of science in Mathematics degree at the same institution. Although appointed January 28, Mr. Wood did not begin his duties at Bridgewater until February 10. He replaces Lieutenant George H. Durign, USNR, now in active service.

Offers Try For Navy

Designed for men desiring to meet Navy mathematics requirements, a course in trigonometry which meets every Friday afternoon at 3:30 is currently conducted by Mr. Balfour S. Tyndall of the science department.

Special practical stress is being given mathematics and science courses, especially trigonometry, calculus, and physics, in order that students may use them in the program, says Mr. Tyndall.

Beat Upsala

Hoosters Meet Upsala
Tonight In Final Game Of Current Season

Surviving Hooper's hoop force closes its season tonight at the Boyden Gymnasium, and the team faces its stiffest test of the season in an Upsala College five that ranks with the best in the state in New Jersey.

Throughout the season, Coach Meter's boys have been hampered by injuries that weakened the team extensively. Jim Costigan, veteran guard, underwent an appendectomy in the early stages of the season, and Fred Martin, one of the most outstanding of all Bridge­water's crop this year, should return to the gridiron in New Jersey.

Replacing them has been made up of inexperienced players and whether they will stand up for fire against the strong Upsala five remains to be seen.

The New Jersey quartet is touring New England and has been meeting opposition of the same caliber as Boston University. The visitors are enjoying a successful season and have defeated such teams as Patterson Teachers and Panzer College of Brooklyn.

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Wiles Replaces
Kvaraceus, Brockton

Dr. Marion E. Wiles has recently been appointed to the position of educational consultant for the Brockton public schools. She replaces William C. Kvaraceus, who accepted the assistant superintendent of schools in Passaic, New Jersey.

Graduated Here

Dr. Wiles graduated from Bridgewater State Teachers College and received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Columbia University. In 1940 Harvard University conferred the doctorate upon her. She is a resident of Manchester, Massachusetts and began her teaching in Haverhill, Massachusetts, where she rose from a classroom teacher to supervisor of schools. She went to Brockton in 1956 to act as primary supervisor of those schools.

Dr. Wiles visited the Teachers College last year when she talked to the class in teaching method conducted by Miss Lutz.
TEACHERS IN TROUBLED WORLD

Nearing the end of its four-year course, the class of 1942, whose hope for speedy absorption into the profession has seemed so weak, is cheered by news of the extremely large number of teaching positions currently available.

Official estimates of the number of teaching positions to be filled this spring and summer vary from ten to sixty thousand. This unusual situation is not caused, as we may well regret, by placing fewer pupils under a larger number of teachers. Rather there is a movement of qualified teachers and prospective teachers away from education. Dissatisfaction with inadequate incomes and the appeal of highly-paid jobs in defense industry are prominent among the causes of the turnover. Also to be taken into the record is the practice of drafting teachers: a practice, reports from London tell us, which results in increased juvenile delinquency.

Especially since the war began have the costs of living increased. Food prices alone have gone up nineteen per cent. Industrial workers have received an increase of thirty per cent in average weekly earnings. Farm products enjoy a new high price level. Teachers' salaries, however, have remained practically stationary.

The situation is made no brighter by estimates of smaller graduating classes from teachers colleges and schools of education in coming war years.

Result of these factors is a teacher shortage which in some communities has reached a very acute stage. Rural and elementary schools report the greatest difficulty in obtaining teachers. There are tremendous opportunities for placement of teachers of science, industrial arts, and business education.

Plans are already laid in several states to attract teachers by waiving or lowering requirements for teaching certificates which are then to be called "emergency certificates.

For the good of professional standards it is to be hoped that instead of lowering standards for entering teachers, the other alternative of raising salaries will be used.

Many responsible educators protest against this lowering of entrance standards for teachers. It will lead, they point out, to a decrease in the quality of school work. Unqualified and partly-trained teachers are jumping at the opportunity to enter the profession while the bars are down. By the time the war is over these teachers will be made secure by tenure.

This situation ought to receive the attention of boards of education immediately. The best solution of the problem of teacher shortage, of course, is to raise teacher salaries. From ten to twenty-five per cent salary increases, with an average national increase of fifteen percent, is recommended by the National Education Association's National Commission for the Defense of Democracy through Education. Unless this increase is made, the existing shortage in teaching personnel is certain to become worse, warns the Commission's chairman, Dr. Alonzo F. Myers.

"John Alden and Miles Standish dis­gusted matters." "The Captain blew up with rage." "Priscilla was sewing on one of those old-fashioned sewing machines when John Alden arrived." "Did Brigham Young do anything else beside have a lot of wives?"

Question: "What was the difference between the Massachusetts Bay magis­trates and our selectmen?"

Answer: "They were gentlemen and our selectmen aren't."

Question: "What did Mercury do?"

Answer: "Rise."

"The Whitman Junior High School is in the midst of two great shoe concerns."
Greetings Scholars:

Notice the new sobriquet. We think you have earned it, judging by the report cards which we were able to see. Of course, we didn’t see many cards, because seven out of every ten people we queried refused to disclose their achievements (modesty, naturally), but those we did see were definitely superior, so we base our judgment on those. Anyway, we have next week to recover, pseudo-scholars, victims of mental illness.

Candid Campus Capers:

BTC believes still exercising lots of witty power, in fact, some aren’t themselves anymore—and it’s a great improvement. The old-timers basketball game displayed heartfelt undiscovered talent, what lovely pedal extremities! Overheard in the library: “If we can’t get anyone else for Mardi Gras, will you come with me?” We have an evening of peace, maybe. The rationing of milk in the hoi-polloi—we see her point. With the hoi-polloi—look into the Registration Office. So she won’t be drafted... Blount back;

So You Want to Be a Teacher?

A SONNET

When first I heard those strains full rich and clear, It seemed that none but Orpheus could have known Just how to fashion music, all one’s own, In chords like these which fall upon the ear, And unsuspecting draw the human tear. The harp played on and gently lost its tone To quell those fears that had within me grown, And cause the glow of joy to reappear. Around my heart melodic threads did weave A pattern smooth and delicate as lace, Which eased disquietude withastery, And gave unto my troubled mind reprieve From melancholy thoughts—and in its place New hope was borne on wings of melody.

with Stacia... Congratulations to Ed Wojner; the first BTC lad to get a date with Eleanor Burnley. Thanks to Lieut. Durgin.

DO YOU KNOW THE GIRL WHO:

- Hasn’t been called to the Vatican?
- Hasn’t been visited by the Pope?
- Is always silent in the library?
- Stays in every night to save paper?
- Didn’t affect a Southern drawl last night?
- Thrills to her classes?
- Hasn’t heard of the Boydens?
- Hasn’t seen Carver’s?
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Song Contest Remains Open As Search Continues
For Stirring College Music

Entries for the Bridgewater song contest will be accepted until a definite closing date is assigned, according to Lillian Russell, chairman of the contest. Many students have entered their original selections already, but Miss Rand expects many more to enter before the closing date.

Collaborating Allowed

The contest is being held in order to find a song that demonstrates the true Bridgewater spirit, and Miss Rand feels that a good, stirring piece of music is conducive to the spirit of any college.

There is no definite length that a song needs in order to have it qualify, and some students are collaborating with others, to write the music, the other to write the words. George Riley, William Mahoney, and Lillian Richard are three of the students entered in the contest.

Talent Contest Urged
For Fred Allen Program

Fred Allen, popular radio-wit comedian, introduced a gifted college student to his radio audience, each Wednesday evening; one of his most recent guests was John Day of nearby Boston University. The latter is Mr. Day, who impersonated Winston Churchill on the program used the money received from Mr. Allen in a wise manner, paying debts that had arisen during his college days.

Why Not Here?

Not only does Fred Allen give the radio audience an enjoyable and entertaining few minutes but he also gives young men and women of college age, an opportunity of displaying their talents. Each performance of course, means a bit of publicity for the college represented.

Hidden talent at Bridgewater ought to be brought to light through a contest to choose the most talented undergraduate, as many suggest, and then notify Mr. Allen.

Topics Hits News

Topics, newest publication of the Topics of the Day Club, is currently being distributed to members and posted on the bulletin board in Boyd- den’s first floor. The bulletin contains the following items of interest to club members and is edited by the executive board under President Joseph Constantino.

Foley Lectures

At the last meeting William Foley, who recently returned from practice teaching in Bridgewater High School, gave a lecture on propaganda. Mr. Foley taught a unit on propaganda during his training period.

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Cape Cod War Prayer
Adopted By Hyannis T. C.

"Father, Thy will be done through me" is currently receiving much interest throughout the state as an advocated war prayer for all members of the United States armed forces. With the backing of Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish leaders on Cape Cod, the originator of the prayer, Walter Dwyer of West Dennis, has petitioned President Roosevelt to adopt the prayer for the service.

Hyannis Teachers College students have adopted a resolution recommending the prayer and have sent copies of the resolution to colleges throughout the country, to the president, and to Governor Saltonstall.

Staff May Not Attend Columbia This Year

Attendance of Comment's staff members at Columbia Scholastic Press Association's annual convention, March 12, 13, 14, at Columbia University, is under consideration by the editorial board. Membership in the association has been held since 1928.

Both the school newspaper as a valuable instrument in the cultivation of civilization and increased cost of transportation and an expected increase in next year's publishing budget may force the board to send no delegates this year. Money used in the publication of the newspaper as a classroom activity fee; it is earned by the staff.

Why the Campus Comment?

There is a reason for all things, we are told, and so to forestall all questions as to our "big idea" in publishing Campus Comment we shall present in this issue, what we feel to be good and sufficient reasons for our undertaking.

1. We wish to stimulate writing for Normal Offering. Campus Comment will in no way take away interest from the Normal Offering. On the contrary, we hope to aid in encouraging the literary-minded of the school to write. Some of the articles of value which are now appearing in Campus Comment may, if good enough, be published in Normal Offering. In this manner the standard of material which goes into Normal Offering may be kept high.

2. Campus Comment is to serve as a bulletin of school affairs and to make each class better acquainted with the activities and interests of other classes. We shall give news of current happenings in the school which, by the time Normal Offering is published, have lost their interest.

3. By including news of the Training School in Campus Comment, we hope to bring the two parts of the school more closely together. We feel that the interests of one should be the interests of the other, and that we should work together as closely as possible.

4. The "B" class in initiating a school paper, is gaining much experience and knowledge of how to run a school paper. As many of the class in this class tend to be of interest and of value to the other classes, we shall give news of the activities and interests of other classes. We hope that our paper will prove to be of interest and of value to the faculty and the student body, and the Alumni, and if we are as successful as we hope to be, that future classes will carry on our work.

Lucile Benson

A Day With Class A

A breathing space and then a sigh of relief on, sigh on. Sigh-chology! A ray of hope, a wish to die -

Talk on, O, Socialogy!

Anon, within the library-

Q, H, of Education

To conquer lessons contrary

Is Class A's Edification?

Then home to rend-perchance to tread

Then well-written paths on the campus lawn;

A lot of work, then into bed-

A short time, then before the dawn

Facsimile of First Issue of Comment

Hitler, Birthday

One more reason for hating Hitler and Company is held by Campus Comment. Reduced war-time budget has cut the number of issues, and we mean cut out as far as the January issue went. By enlarging this issue we make up for last month and still save student money.

Real tragedy of last month's omission from view is the fact that January marked our fifteenth year of continuous publication. On this page is reproduced the first issue of the paper as it looked in 1927.

Circulation Uncertain

Interesting fact about that first issue is that it circulated after the second issue came out. Reviewer: "first issue was hand set and printed by members of the printing class then offered by prospective industrial arts teachers. Associated with our earliest history was Training School Principal Catherine Packard, then a journalism class student at the normal school.

News When It Isn't

"First issue was six inches by nine inches, pamphlet style, with eight pages. Most of the material was photos. Cause news became stale before we got the paper printed. Robert a 1929 staff member. The last sentence is still applicable.

Alpha, Great Aunt

"I have had many ancestors but all are dead save one, a great aunt who still survives. Once a year she visits me dressed up in her finest; she always brings the family album as an offering to her relative." (Alpha was then known as Normal Offering.) "As long as the budget lasts I am safe".

Budget Bothered Boyden

Paper Tribute Reveals

Wrote late President Arthur Clark Boyden in a Campus Comment article which personified the paper on the occasion of our fifth birthday in January, 1931:

"Sir, I can give a picture of school life on its many sides, both dignified and undignified. I can mingle the light and shade of life in a happy proportion. I have photographs to prove to you that I know all about student life in the dormitories, around the frog pond, at Carver's pond, at Casey's, in the garden, in the gymnasium, elsewhere and otherwise."

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Lieutenant George H. Durgin, former mathematics instructor of Bridgewater, and now an officer of the United States Naval Reserve, recently addressed the men of Bridgewater on the possible enlistments in the United States Navy with respect to college training. This is the substance of his lecture.

"There is an old expression 'once in the Navy, always in the Navy.' It does not refer to the legal hold the Navy has on a man who has once served, but it comes from within the individual who has served. Calvin Coolidge once said 'the greatest political privilege mankind ever enjoyed was to live under the United States Constitution.' Another great privilege is to serve in the United States Navy.

The Navy Spirit

"Once in the Navy, you will find it composed of men with mutual respect for each other and their rights from the highest rank to the lowest rating. This spirit also seems to be present among the civilian employees of the Navy as well. Where Lieut. Durgin works there are strict orders that anyone who comes to the Navy seeking information to tell his services shall have everything possible done to make him feel satisfied. These orders are not hard to follow because the personnel of the Navy is picked on the basis of what it can do for the Navy, and not what the Navy can do for it. When you apply for enlistment in the Navy, you are examined, physically, by a courtesy gentleman who knows his work. He will take as much interest in your physical defects and their correction as would your family doctor."

Lieut. Durgin also explained the three branches of the Navy which might interest the Bridgewater men. These three classifications are known as V-7, V-5, and M-2.

V-7 Requires Degree

V-7 is a branch in which one may enlist as Seaman, 2nd class and attend an Ensign School, and be graduated as a Midshipman of the United States Naval Reserve. To qualify one must be between the ages of 19 and 27, be a natural-born, unmarried citizen, and not have taken the physical examination given to all Ensigns. Another requirement which tends to limit the enlistments is the fact that a college degree is demanded. This branch is open to all college juniors and seniors.

The second branch is that of the United States Naval Reserve and Marine Aviation Cadets, more commonly known as V-5. V-5 is open to all sophomores, juniors, and seniors of college level. The basic requirements of this are more rigid than those of V-7. The candidate must be a citizen for at least ten years, be between the ages of 19 and 27, must agree to remain on active duty for four years, be unmarried, be educationally, morally, physically, and psychologically qualified for appointment, and must have passed his second year in college and have not less than one-half the credits necessary for a degree. The men enlisting in this branch are given the rank of Ensign in the Naval Reserve, or Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

The third branch is known as M-2, or Inshore Patrol. This requires no college training, and is less strict on the eye test. In this branch, one starts at the bottom and works his way upward. Such are the three branches of the United States Navy which might appeal to the Bridgewater men, but in whichever branch one might enlist always remember—"you do not have to be a commissioned officer to have a satisfactory Naval career."

Alpha Board Reports Progress On 1942 Issue

Alpha Board is busily working on the plans for the 1943 Alpha. Under the guidance of Advisor Miss Mary M. Triggs and Editor Velma Shorey, members of the board held their weekly Thursday meetings in the blackboard room.

According to the editor of the yearbook, Alpha this year will have an entirely new plan and theme. An attempt will be made to enable graduates to purchase the annual.

The club pictures were taken by Alpha’s photographer on February 5, in Tillinghast reception room. This year’s pictures were informal, including only officers and senior members, and showed, whenever possible, club activities.

DEFENSE NEWS DIGEST (continued from page 1)

Students wishing to shorten their courses may attend summer schools at Salem, North Adams, Framingham, Fitchburg, and Hynasius Teachers College and Massachusetts School of Art. Quarter-term credit will be given those chosen by Bridgegaurd. Plans for sale of defense stamps to faculty and students are being formulated, it is understood. Fraternity will be offered by Mr. Tyn dall every Friday afternoon beginning in the near future.

For men expecting to enter the armed service an advisory board has been set up under Mr. Hume. Refresher courses have been recommended by the State’s Department of Education to give instruction to cadets, to re-enter the profession and to offset the serious shortage of teachers.

Tilly To Evacuate

Plans for evacuation of Tillinghast and stations for all dormitory and commuter students, faculty, and employees are being perfected under Mr. Huffinger, chief air raid warden for the college. Regular required courses in air raid precautions and first aid are required of all students and are given weekly on the college campus.

Tercentenary Year For First School Law

Memorable 1642 anniversaries include the tercentenary of the first school law which was passed by the General Court of Massachusetts in 1642 and which ruled that all parents had to give their children the chance to learn to read and write.

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STUDENTS

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WILL SECURE FREEDOM

MALE ENROLLMENT DECREASES

Bridgewater's male enrollment has decreased to a certain extent due to the entrance of Uncle Sam into World War II. Many Bridgewater men, including graduates, have taken positions in the armed forces of our country.

While it has been impossible to locate all the men who joined our fighting front, many of them have kept in touch with the school especially those who were more recently associated with the college.

Bridgewater Alpha Board is busily working on the Alpha Board. Following have sent notice of their locations: Joseph Honorsky, Fort Knox, Kentucky; Dick Rees, Camp Wheeler, Georgia; Joseph Oertzen; soon to be transferred to Panama; David Barnum at a training camp in Maine.

Ed Satarshi, former member of class of 1942, is at a Georgia Army training camp. Art Applebaum and Larry Berch, graduates of last year, are members of the air corps, the former being a member of the ground crew at Fort Lowry, Denver, Colorado, and the latter expecting to be assigned to Maxwell Field, Alabama.

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CAMPUS COMMENT

February 20, 1942

Bridgewater NEWS

Company

APS A MISFIT?

ARTHUR APPLEBAUM appears to have gotten into the wrong branch of the service. Following mid-years three years ago and following botany exam., he drew this cartoon. Joining the navy as a job was his big ambition and necessity then. Accompanying story reveals he is in air corps. Is cause rooted botany exam.?
FROM THE BENCH

BY BILL BYTH H""''

Bitterweet:

Don't say it, chum, because it isn't true. We all know that our hoop warriors have just ended a rather well-organized season, but that's no reason to go around grousing about the boys. Think about the situation from all angles and you'll soon see that those lads did a mighty valiant job. Remember how the local crackkickers opened their season against Salem? Eddie and Freddie were invincible that night. Why, every time Ed tossed the leather he found the hoop. And Buck, do you remember that boy around the backboards? The boys who sat on the bench during the trouncing we handed Durfee down hill did promise you that they'll never be another Freddie Martin.

Augustine, Daly, and Sampson to your coming teams is a must. These boys were a standout feature in the physical fitness picture exhibits outside the auditorium. After vacation, if enough enthusiasm is generated, a course in Oriental drill will be offered. Don't forget our regular activities; they offer you a satisfying means of helping defense: Monday, 4:30, badminton; Tuesday, 3:30, basketball; Wednesday, 3:30, modern dancing and bowling; Thursday, 3:30, basketball and square dancing.

What's That Humming Sound?

"Individual citizens must play their part in sustaining our defense. We must keep his whiskers clean from the little yellow man," she intones. Warnings against one-sided participation in the more glamorous aspects of defense, the athletic officer claims that physical fitness can be exciting.

"We can all be soldiers of the health crusade to build strong minds and bodies which will enable us to face all the dangers that the future holds for us," she concludes.

Physical Fitness Stressed by WAA Official

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Chattanooga Dilemma

Numerous students gave up dear luxuries. One student, who had denied herself a trip to Chattanooga, expressed the manner in which the money for each donation was acquired. Quite a few of the students earned their donation money by working at various jobs including work in a hat store, the Five and Ten, a library, and various restaurants.

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