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Honors Degrees Go To Two Senior Women While Five Are Elected To The Bates Key

Junior Committee Plans Traditional Ivy Day

Ivy Day this year will be held in the Alumni Gymnasium on Wednesday, June 14th, at 2:00 p.m. Every alumnus is invited to attend.

Harry Guiney '45, is chairman, taking his fluid ideas on plans for the main program are Nancy Lord, Dorothy Petrie, Justine Sherwood, Pauline Beal, Alice Gates, and Kathleen Hoy, all of the class of '45. Elaine Simonson '46 has charge of the invitations and programs. The gym arrangements are being handled by Albert Geller '45. Betty Morse '46 is in charge of the planting of the ivy and is a stone to be given. Herbert Graham '46 is in charge of the decorations, and Marjorie Gergor '45 is in charge of the music.

The setting for the afternoon's performance will be "The Garnet Room". John Parker '45 will be the master of ceremonies. Many members of the color class will participate, and a very skit is to be included. The principal speakers are as follows:

- Guest to Seniors ... Nancy Lord '47
- Guest to Junior Women ... Edward Nutting '45
- Guest to Junior Men ... Miriam Dolloff '45
- Guest to the Faculty ... Alice Gates '45 has History ... Dorothy Babcock '45

The traditional planting of the ivy on the New Dormitory will follow directly after the main program.

Summer Term Expects Enrollment Of About 400

In accordance with wartime needs and accelerated programs the summer session will begin officially at 8:00 a.m. July 6. By this time some one hundred civilian students as well as three times as many Navy trainees will have registered for the second summer semester in this history of the college.

Registration figures this year are expected to differ slightly from those of a year ago. Civilian enrollment will have decreased about twenty-five percent while the Navy representation will remain about the same.

New Naval trainees will "come on board" Saturday, July 1, while those continuing will "log in" at this time. July first to third will be concerned with outfitting the trainees and giving medical and physical examinations. July fourth and fifth with registration of new Naval trainees and beginning freshmen.

Three Students Attend Wellesley Conference

After being away from Wellesley College for a year the New England Institute of International Relations is returning there from June 20-28. Under the auspices of American Friends Service Committee, the theme of the Institute this year will be "The Price of an Enduring Peace". The purpose, primarily, of the Institute is "to provide a critical study of the necessary steps involved in building an enduring peace".

There are definite courses of study planned on Asia, Europe, Russia, Latin America. Then again, the Institute will have the general problems of peace, economics, faith organized into a study course. The mornings will be occupied with lectures on the subjects mentioned, afternoons with recitations and round tables, and evenings again with lectures. The faculty leading these round tables and lectures will include Max Habicht, Sergio Bagu, Martin Hall, Nicholai P. Moeller.

Virginia Barnes Graduates Magna Cum Laude And Charlotte Stachelek Given Cum Laude

Names of both those awarded Honors Degrees and the newly-elected members to the Bates Key from the class of 1944 were announced this morning.

"Sea Spray" Formal Brings Mermaids

With already well over half the tickets sold for the Ivy Hop and only two more days in which to act, any one interested in attending had better see the ticket committee right away.

Great things have been planned for this last formal of the year and the Juniors intend to make it especially memorable by adding mermaids and their hair and tails to the decorations of Chase Hall. They are also dragging in tennis nets with which to "catch the fish".

There will be dancing from eight to twelve to the music of Lenny Lizotte's Orchestra. The tickets are $2.75, government tax included.

W.A.A. Presents Athletic Awards At Annual Banquet

The Women's Athletic Association will hold its annual banquet on June 8th at Fiske Dining Room. After the dinner Miriam Dolloff '44, the new president, will announce the awards. Letters for training, numerals and sweaters for the outstanding athletic girls in each class, and a senior cup for excellence in sports will be given. Due to the accelerated program half the awards were made first semester. Ruth Stirling '44, who graduated in February, received the senior cup.

The guests will be President and Mrs. Gray, Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence, Dean Clark, Miss Simpson, and Miss Moeller.

The committees are: Flowers and seating plan, Barbara Phillips '46; decorations, Mildred Lever '46; invitations, Mary Seabury '46; music, Edith Parfey '47; co-chairmen, Ruth Kennedy '45 and Ruth Moulton '47.

Saturday Night Dance Closes Successful Year

The Chase Hall Committee had planned an outdoor dance for last Saturday night, but due to cold weather, it was decided to hold it in Chase Hall. There were several novelty dances—the entertainment was furnished by the Semaphore Team of the Navy. The boys put on an excellent performance, displaying a great deal of skill in the use of signal flags.

Tuesday, May 30, Open House was held. There was dancing upstairs, while the ping-pong room, pool tables, and bowling alleys were available downstairs. The lounge was also open. There was an interesting variety of things going on.

The above dance was the last Saturday night dance of the year, and many congratulations and thanks go to Mrs. Kimball and her committee for having planned some of the best dances the campus has ever had.
Intellectual Independence . . .

The sharpest curbs to independent thinking are the chains of prejudice and tradition. Particularly in dealing with problems of human relationships like government, politics, and economics, we easily slip into deep worn ruts of traditional thought. It is only natural that as people grow older it becomes progressively easier for most to follow these familiar paths. Young people in general should have an advantage in thinking with greater objectivity on basic social and religious questions since they haven't had as much time to get used to particular patterns of thought. It is, however, far easier for a young person to follow along in a rut than to think for himself. It is the most difficult task in the world to really think. At first they perhaps fear an inability to separate the sound and good from out of the new, and are not willing to exercise their latent powers of reason to dispel that fear. As a result, instead of doing their own thinking they accept a prejudice and stick doggedly to it, defending it with emotion, not reason.

If one declares an independence from tradition and prejudice, then he must deserve that intellectual freedom by deliberately and constantly focusing his knowledge and judgment on the question at hand. An independence from tradition does not mean an indiscriminate acceptance of anything that's new and radical simply because it is new and radical. That would be as unbalanced as reading a paper like P.M. to the exclusion of the New York Times or Christian Science Monitor. It would be as easy as substituting tradition for real thinking.

There are those who now sidestep independent thinking because it is hard work, and those who have sidestepped it in the past and now condemn it as being radical and unreliable. New ideas and ideals, those in the main that concern social problems, are not killed by mature thought. Prejudice kills independent, objective reasoning. Ideals don't break down under the force of reason. They are discouraged by those who failed to apply them. The voice of experience is too often warped by failure.

Independent thought is discouraged by an unreasoning fear of what is new. Emerson in his "Journals" listed among the superstititions of his time the fear of radicalism and democracy. Many of us today are still at the superstition stage in our thinking on social invention. If an older person is too liberal, too independent a thinker, he is tagged with labels ranging from crackpot to communist. If a young person fails to slip into an accepted rut, it is attributed with a paternalistic pat on the head to immaturity.

It is easy to mistake tradition and prejudice for mature, independent thought.

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FASHION TURNS

With L-5 orders in mind, this year's apparel has been even scantier than those of 1943. Bathing suits have bowed this trend to perfection. To have become definitely two-piece affairs. For those who still persist in one-piece suits, the trend seems to be to cut away the entire back and the neckline into a low v-cut. Some have been cut out completely, using a lacing in their place. The skirt is no longer a skirt, but has assumed instead a glorified diaper effect with the right tan and a little division will look extremely well.

Again remembering the motto, "nothing short of the appearance radically in summer dresses. This summer, as has already been noted, sleeves are just as "cap" affairs leaving the greater part of the arm exposed to the sun. Dress up the sleeves, narrow ruff made from edgings of material being used. Not an inch of mater to waste! Some summer frocks have completely eliminated the sleeves instead a halter, or strap eff again barring the anatomy. It is the women who have been craving L-56 has provided the means for it to acquire it heavily and in the best style for the season.

Necklines are continuing as this year has been for a year now to be out in an oval or round line with little shirring to add a touch of sensuality and femininity. Skirts, like necklines, will still persist the same trend and narrow. Occasionally, may find shirring in the center front to match covering in the neckline. But, primarily, the fashion world finds itself in the tight skirt cycle. Which is, perhaps after the war, lowered by the flare cycle which is followed by the bell skirt cycle.

As for the ever-present pant suits they are found this year in charm three-piece practicals, a shirt, short and a bra top. They are made of some thing from rayon in a solid color of a stripe piping, to a cotton flower print. They may be used in the country, on the beach and for formal wear. The key note is saying that looks neat and saves material o. k.

Slave of Fashion

Wellesley Conference

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Nan Lord '45, Myrtle Holden and Electra Zazopoulos '46 will represent our Christian Association at the Institute. They will have a detailed report on problems and actions reached ready for campus fall. This Institute on International Relations along with the O-At-Ka reference make up the year's lead conferences.

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CLUB NOTES

Sposford

A meeting of the Sposford Club will be held this week under the direction of President Dorothy Petrie '46. Dorothy Babcock '45 will make a speech on the Modern Dance. At the last meeting, the members of the club read in part the play "The Man Who Came To DInner".

Jordan-Ramsdell Scientific

Tuesday evening a meeting was held of the Jordan-Ramsdell Scientific, to vote in new members. Retiring president, Gene Woodcock '44, is soon to be inducted into the armed services as is Guy Turcotte '47, Norman Mirin '46 and Paul LaFlamme '46 are soon to leave for medical school.

Delta Sigma Rho

Wednesday at 7:00 the Debate Room was the scene of the initiation of new members to the national debating fraternity, Delta Sigma Rho. Those initiated included: Geraldine Stillman '46, Shirley Stone '45, and Donald Richter V-12. Faculty members present were Harry Rowe, Professor Carroll, and Professor Quimby. Miss Stone and Richter arrived in order to elect officers from a slate of candidates selected by a committee appointed at the last meeting. This nominating committee consisted of Geraldine Weed, Holly Greenberg, Frances Wheeler, Electra Zazopoulos, and Myrtle Holden.

Guest Speaker was Mrs. Oscar Flechtheim who told of her personal experiences in Central Europe.

Shirley Stone Leaves For Six Weeks' Study In Mexico

Miss Shirley Stone '45, one of the six winners of the national discussion contest sponsored by the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, will leave Bates June 10 for a six-week study course at the University of Mexico in Mexico City. Her course of study will be centered around the social sciences, economics, government, with a course on the Spanish language to round it off.

Miss Stone was the national contest at Fordham University on March 27. In April she went to Washington, D. C. to participate in a speaking round of all six regional winners. At Washington Miss Stone was a guest at the White House where she met Mrs. Roosevelt and Vice-President Wallace. Her speech was delivered beforehand of the sponsoring office and Secretary of State Cordell Hull in the Hall of the Americas in the Pan-American Building.
The Parade Passes: Lt. Martin returned from his leave in New Jersey about ten days ago and Lt. Cass started his immediately afterwards. The C.O. spent part of his time industriously encouraging only the nicer kinds of plant life in his victory garden on Ware Street. As to where Goodwin goes, nobody knows — perhaps to Lynn to live in sin. — The Sea Spray frays sounds tempting, but at $2.75 the slug it should have been held the very evening of pay-day. In fact it should have been held between the end of the pay line and the laundry collector's table . . . One platoon I'm thinking of has learned that the proper place for certain nifty words is on sidewalks at Halloween.
Lambeta Alpha Gives Seniors Farewell Supper

The last supper meeting for Lambda Alpha will be held at the Women's Union, June 8. The senior girls will be honored and gifts presented. Games and singing will be enjoyed after the buffet supper. Girls graduating are: Madeline Butler, Rita Silvia, Thelma Rainville, Betty Lever, and Louise Oils.

The committee which is in charge of the arrangements for the supper consists of Leslie Wight, chairman, Janet Richan, poetry to accompany each gift; Marion Otis, gifts; Margaret Brindley, Barbara Bartlett, and Gracie Hall.

The Deutsche Verein, Delta Phi Alpha, Macfarlane Club, and editor of the "Mirror".

Miss Silvia was elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year and is the past editor of the STUDENT. In addition, she has been the president of Lambda Alpha and Newman Club, a member of the Outing Club, Heelers, La Petite Academie, and the Student Government Board.

Miss Stillman was also elected to Phi Beta Kappa and was recipient of the class Scholarship Prize her freshman year. She was secretary of her class her sophomore year, vice-president of the Christian Association, secretary of the Debating Council, and proctor at Chase House.

Summer Work Projects Attract Many Students

Summer work projects every year attract a large number of college students. In past years several students from campus have been able to take advantage of these opportunities to work and study in different parts of the country. The Conference Commission of the Christian Association has information on several such projects. Among these are the Lisle Fellowship and the Friends' Summer Service Projects.

The Lisle Fellowship is a community of thirty to fifty students who live and work together for six weeks at Lisle, N. Y. Students of all nationalities and creeds live together, hold discussions and go on deputations to neighboring communities. These deputation teams help people to see that it is possible to break down denominational and racial barriers through their work in a community, their discussions, services, and recreation with the townpeople.

The Friends' Summer Work Projects are similar in function and idea to the Lisle Fellowship. Some take place in southern and western communities and in Mexican villages as well as in the poorer districts of some cities.

Besides these specific groups there are numerous volunteer jobs waiting on farms and in industry where college people can help the manpower shortage and gain firsthand knowledge of working conditions during their summer vacation. Each project offers a splendid opportunity for service and fellowship, an unforgettable experience. Expenses are kept at a minimum, and there is often a scholarship given. Any student interested may contact Virginia Simons or Louise Gibbs.

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