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Forum Sending 4 Members to Model Senate At Vassar

Bard Delegation To Represent States of Washington and Missouri

Four members of the Bard Forum will represent two states of the union when the Intercollegiate Model Senate, in which undergraduates from fifty universities and colleges will sit, is conducted at Vassar on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Three national problems will be presented to the group in its two-day session. The measures facing the representatives are: (1) a bill to provide for the establishment of unemployment insurance for all workers and farmers unemployed through no fault of their own—funds for the aforementioned insurance to be provided at the joint expense of the federal government and employers under the administration of the Secretary of Labor; (2) a bill making it a federal offense to incite, participate or acquiesce in any attempt by an individual or individuals to take into their own hands the punishment of any individual by lynching; and, (3) a bill advocating ratification of the covenant of the League of Nations.

Two Bard men, Martin Goldstein and Arthur Kent, will represent the state of Missouri at the Senate meeting. Goldstein will serve on the committee considering ratification of the League covenant, and Kent on the committee to consider the lynching bill. Edmund Spillane and Jacob Cremer will represent the state of Washington, the former to serve on the same committee as Goldstein, and the latter to consider unemployment insurance.

The Vassar Political Association, of which Katherine McInerney is president, is sponsoring the conference. In regard to the Model Senate Miss McInerney said: "We, too, are wondering where the United States is going. There is a movement that has taken the undergraduate along paths never tread before by the student. Young people of the country are vitally interested in what is happening in Washington and the capitals of our states.

"The future belongs to us. We will inherit the burden of taxation. We will have to carry on whatever (Continued on Page Three)

Grant To College Made By Carnegie

\$25,000 For Program; Music and Art Equipment Given

The Carnegie Corporation has recently made a grant of \$25,000.00 to the college toward the inauguration of the new program. In addition it has given a music equipment set consisting of a radio-phonograph, 800 selected records, 200 musical scores, and 300 books on music, the total of which is valued at \$3,500.00. This equipment will be placed in Bard Hall and will be made freely available to members of the faculty and stud-

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Freshman Frolic Plans Announced By Class of 1938

Ray Cannavaro's Orchestra Engaged; Play To Be Presented In Theatre

The Freshman Frolic, highlight of the winter social season at Bard College, will take place on the week-end of March 1 with a number of unusual features included in the three-day program of festivities.

The frolic dance will open the occasion on Friday evening in the Memorial Gymnasium. Advance reports from the committee in charge of the affair indicate that a large percentage of undergraduates and other members of the community will attend. The ballroom will be decorated in various shades of blue and green and lighted indirectly. Ray Cannavaro and his New Yorkers, an eight-piece orchestra from Westchester, will play from nine to three.

The prom committee is headed by Winthrop Stearns. Other members are: Ray Filsinger and George Martin, assistant chairmen; Henry Zellweger and Henry Kritzler, art committee; and Wallis Smith, director of decorations. The patrons and patronesses for the dance include: Dean and Mrs. Donald G. Tewksbury; Dr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Carpenter; Dr. Irville F. Davidson; Dr. and Mrs. Lyford P. Edwards; Dr. and Mrs. William Fraunfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Harris, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Harry, Dr. and Mrs. Abbott E. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Sottery, Mr. Edward

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Elimination Bouts For Boxers and Wrestlers Are Set

March 20 To See Finals; 15 Men Already Signed And Working Out

March 20th has been tentatively set as the date for the final rounds of an informal and experimental boxing and wrestling elimination contest, to be held in the Memorial Gymnasium. Entrants will be limited to members of the student body, who may be required to pay a small entree fee. At present, about 15 men have signed for the tourney.

The eliminations and finals will be conducted through a weight-class arrangement, with the following divisions: 118, 126, 135, 147, 160, 175 and unlimited. Two judges and a referee, possibly from Poughkeepsie, are expected to give decisions for the matches. In the boxing, there will be three two-minute rounds, and in the wrestling, three three-minute rounds.

Entrants will be required to demonstrate both adequate physical condition, and ability for defense. During the month remaining before the finals, there will be informal practise in the gym on Monday and Thursday afternoons for boxing, and Tuesday and Friday afternoons for wrestling. For men whose programs do not conveniently permit attendance at the

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College Peace Poll Against Entering League; Munitions Control Favored

Lone Canadian College Returns Overwhelmingly In Favor of League

American university undergraduates voted a scant majority against the United States entering the League of Nations in The Literary Digest College Peace Poll, according to the final returns published in a recent issue of the magazine.

Ballots were returned by 112,667 students in one hundred eighteen leading American colleges and universities. Of these 49.47 per cent. favored the United States' entry into the League of Nations, while 50.53 per cent. voted against it.

Queried as to whether the United States could stay out of another great war the student vote was more than 2 to 1 in the affirmative.

Asked "if the borders of the United States were invaded would you bear arms in defense of your country" 83.54 per cent. of the students voted that they would, while 16.46 per cent. voted that they would not.

On the question of "would you bear arms for the United States in the invasion of the borders of another country" 17.82 per cent. balloted affirmatively, while 82.18 per cent. voted negatively.

The undergraduates balloted nearly 5 to 1 for universal conscription of all resources of capital and labor to control profits in time of war.

By an overwhelming vote of more than 9 to 1 the students showed their advocacy of Government control of armament and munitions industries.

Voting 69,715 to 41,407, they voiced opposition to a national policy that a "navy and air-force second to none is a sound method of insuring us against being drawn into another great war."

The Literary Digest has been conducting this poll in cooperation (Continued on Page Three)

Dr. Ditmars, Specialist On Reptiles, To Speak

Dr. Raymond Lee Ditmars, famous snake specialist, curator of reptiles at the Bronx Zoological Park, and assistant in the American Museum of Natural History, will lecture here on March 25 before the Dragon and Science Clubs.

Dr. Ditmars is a Fellow in the New York Zoological Society and is associated with the Zoological Society of London. He is one of the world's greatest authorities in his field and has contributed much valuable knowledge concerning serums for snake poisoning. He has recently carried on an expedition in Panama in search of "vampire bats".

He plans to illustrate his lecture at Bard with four reels of motion pictures concerning snakes and other reptiles. He may bring with him some of the specimens shown in the pictures in order to illustrate the extraction of venom.

He has written several books, including "Snakes Found Within Fifty Miles of New York City", "The Reptile Book", "Reptiles of the World", "Snakes of the World" and "Strange Animals I Have Known."

Bard Field Period A Success; To Be In Future Policy

Results Satisfactory, Valuable and Above Expectations, Says Dean

Results of the first trial of the Winter Field and Reading Period at Bard College have proved "most satisfactory and valuable" and have surpassed "the most liberal expectations" the college administration has announced.

A faculty committee, consisting of Dr. Sanford, chairman, Dr. Summers, Dr. Barnes, Mr. Williams and Mr. Bassage, is making a study of the reports of the work of individual students during January and will present recommendations for improvements which may be incorporated in the field and reading period of 1936.

Dean Donald G. Tewksbury said "a preliminary survey of the reports of the Winter Field and Reading Period indicates that this new feature of the educational program of the college has been most satisfactory and valuable. Comments by members of the faculty on the work accomplished have been most favorable. It may be said that the results have been much above even the most liberal expectations of both the faculty and the individual students. New values and opportunities growing out of this experiment in independent work have been revealed, while a more careful study of the results will undoubtedly indicate improvements in the plans for next year. The consensus of opinion of (Continued on Page Two)

Basketball Squad Working on New Defense Theory

Discard Man-for-Man Idea; Intra-Mural Schedule Under Way

In a practice game at Highland, New York, the Bard College basketball team was defeated by a much stronger and heavier Raymond Riordon team on Friday, February 5. The game was played for the express purpose of examining the new squad as it appeared under pressure. The game had no official status, since unlimited time-outs, substitutions, and personal fouls were permitted without technical penalty.

The present squad, which has emerged from the call for candidates regardless of previous experience and standing in athletics at Bard, has yielded a Varsity first-string very similar to that of last semester: Leone, Stearns, Mason, Nieman, forwards; Grandin, center; Scott and Molyneaux, guards. The practice game saw most of these men in action. Other members of the squad are Drogula, Filsinger, Putnam, Lefever, Economos, Testi and Bush.

Zone defense, an inauguration replacing the previous system of man-for-man defense, worked with only occasional success. The Riordon team showed itself distinctly superior to the Bard aggregation, which at present (Continued on Page Two)

"The Magic Spring" Produced By Bard Theatre Group

10 Professionals In Drama Sponsored With Aid of Dwight Wiman

The Bard Theatre continued to blow dust off the musty traditions of college dramatics when it presented another one of its unique productions on the evenings of February 7, 8 and 9 with a matinee on the last date. A new three-act comedy, "The Magic Spring", written by Donald Blackwell and Theodore St. John, was expertly performed by a cast made up of ten professionals and eleven members of the college community. The Bard group was associated with Dwight Deere Wiman in the production.

The story concerns a Mr. Chilvester, a neurotic English gentleman who is determined to protect his two-hundred year old house from what he believes to be ugly modernization. The plot is dilatory in unfolding, but once conceived becomes an interesting experience. When the young architect, Christopher Honeythorne, discovers that the Chilvester home is without a modern drainage system he is somewhat concerned about such a phenomenon, and after he has met the charming Emily, the youngest daughter of Chilvester, his interest in her unhealthy environment increases. A brief romantic interlude lasts long enough to complicate matters, and the result is melodrama which is entertaining though hardly convincing. There is little nourishment for the spirit in "The Magic Spring", but it has been so expertly produced that one can only applaud the dexterity of performance.

Mr. Theodore St. John as the neuroathenic Chilvester gave an expert portrayal in a part that is obviously difficult. Miss Muriel Brassler—late of Sarah Lawrence College—played the sensitive Emily with a mature skill and understanding. Miss Brassler has a deft stage technique which can not fail to interest Broadway producers. The role of Lillian Chilvester, the emotional invalid daughter, was capably portrayed by Miss Katherine Squire, late of "The Dark Tower" and "Goodbye Again". Edmund George, Ellis, Baker, LeRoi Operti, Barna Ostertag, Mina Adams and Jane Gutmann all gave excellent (Continued on Page Two)

"Sketch Book" To Appear May 1; Board Announced

The 1935 "Sketch Book" will appear on or about May 1 the newly elected editorial board of that publication announced today.

The annual will be the largest book to be published in this college in several years. A number of new features will be included in the volume along with the class histories, individual records of the seniors and the other usual chapters. The editorial board is headed by Arthur Kent. Others on the staff are: Martin Goldstein, assistant editor; William Meyer, business manager; James Gildersleeve and Richard Stevens, art editors; Jay Molyneaux, sports editor; and Pierre Oustinoff, Harry Lefever, John Mears and George Jastram, associate editors. The book will be distributed free to all students who have paid their Convocation tax.

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Earlier Student Council Elections

In another month or so the first anniversary of Bard College's peaceful revolution, in which the old form of student government was overthrown for the present system, will be here. A strong advocate for the change at that time, the Lyre Tree does not now wish to cause another political upheaval, but we would like to proffer a few suggestions which we believe would make the control of student affairs smoother than it has been during these first months of experience under the new plan. We are not criticizing the Student Council in any way for what they have done this year, but we believe certain difficulties and hesitations on their part early in the fall, resulting from lack of experience in student government, could be prevented from re-occurring in other councils in the future. Our idea is this: let student government elections take place during the last week in April, with the newly elected members going into office on May 1 of the same year instead of at the beginning of the following academic year. Then new council would hold its meetings with the retiring members of the old sitting in in the capacity of advisers. In this way the new body should become well knowledgeable in the exercise of its duties by the time the new year with its many issues rolls around. The council of advisers should be able to save the inexperienced group from any unnecessary pitfalls. We also would suggest a monthly business meeting of each class that sentiments on matters brought before the student body and council may be expressed to the class representatives on the council, who in turn can bring them before the judiciary body as a whole.

The "Digest" Peace Poll

The returns to date in the College Peace Poll, being conducted by "The Literary Digest" and the Association of College Editors, indicate that the majority of American undergraduates have their minds set against going to war should the United States again be drawn into another international conflict. The seriousness with which this poll is being treated in the nation's universities should indicate to those who doubt the college student's interest in affairs of state and world politics that the present day undergraduate does weigh these matters in his mind. The peace poll may or may not be important. It shows most college students abhor war and all the evils that accompany and follow it. It cannot, however, foretell what those balloting will actually do should war be thrust upon us. We hope those opposing the entry of the United States into another war can be true to their convictions against the pressure of the propaganda bureaus.

Within a week from now every student in this college will receive a ballot asking the same questions as those forwarded in the peace poll. We urge each undergraduate to give these questions close attention and to answer them according to his own convictions, in order that we may submit to "The Literary Digest" an accurate report of the opinion here.

Budgets Again

The increase of activity among the many undergraduate organizations and clubs will not let us leave alone the matter of apportioning the budget of Convocation funds. We doubt that ever before in the history of this institution has there ever been so much action on the part of extra-curricular groups. The Forum sends a delegation of "senators" to the Intercollegiate Model Senate; The Outing Club scales mountains and comes down them on skis; equestrians are daily seen trotting in the vicinity of the college; would-be producers spend busy days in the theatre; scholastic societies meet in the interests of the intellect; musical clubs tune their instruments and train their voices. These and many other things show the breadth of interest which is now a characteristic of this college. Days were when the word extra-curricular hardly existed here. Bursts of enthusiasm along certain lines of activity would sometimes appear, but they never would last. Now, however, they give promise of lingering on these horizons for some time to come if support warrants them. All these organizations are proving themselves worth keeping and worthy of support. Interest on the part of their members will keep them alive, but for the time being funds are needed by all to help them expand. We urge that when the Convocation budget is drawn up for next year, appropriations be set aside for the benefit of these causes. Since the general sentiment seems to be "The Sketch Book" will not appear after this year, we would like to see some of the money that would normally be appropriated for that go to the founding of a literary magazine. A good quarterly could be published at a total cost of about \$400. With a larger appropriation The Lyre Tree could be brought out more frequently, thus bettering its service as a newspaper. All this might mean a slight increase in the campus tax, but the results should be well worth it.

Basketball Squad Working On New Defense Theory

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ent is being re-drilled and re-taught on the basic assumption that man for man, they do not measure up to the individual ability of their opponents. Under the stress of the hard Riordan attack, the Bard team fell back into a style which is slowly being discarded by Mr. Ackerman, the new coach.

The line-up was as follows:

Bard College **Riordan Prep.**
Nieman r.f. Morrison
Mason l.f. Buck
Stearns C. McLaughlin
Molyneaux r.g. Krueger
Scott l.g. Wilhelm
Substitutions: Bard: Lefever, Drogula, Grandin, Economos. Riordan: Peus, Atwater, Peter, Gerlach. Time of quarters: ten minutes.

The schedule for the remainder of the season includes St. Lawrence on Wednesday, February 20, away; Drew on Friday, February 22nd, at home; Wagner, on Tuesday, February 26th, at home; State Normal on Tuesday, March 5th, at home.

The intra-mural basketball season opened on Monday, February 11th, with a closely-contested game between the seniors and the freshmen, which was won by the seniors in an over-time period by the score of 24 to 19. The game was rough and fast, graced by occasional bits of skillful basketball on the part of the members of the Varsity squad. Mason, with ten points, and Stearns with twelve, were the high scorers for the seniors and freshmen respectively. Goldstein, both in offense and defense contributed much to the game put forth by the seniors, as did Stearns for the freshmen.

The starting line-up:

Seniors **Freshmen**
Mason rf Filsinger
LeFever l.f. Stearns
Goldstein center MacBee
Moiyneaux r.g. Simmons
Dienst l.g. Testi
Substitutions: (Seniors) Stevens; (Freshmen) McBee. Referee: Dr. Sottery. Time of quarters: 8 minutes; overtime period, three minutes. Time-outs: Seniors, 2; Freshmen, 1.

Schedule for remainder of season:

Monday, February 25th, Seniors vs. Sophomores.
Monday, March 4th, Juniors vs. Freshmen.
Monday, March 11th, Seniors vs. Juniors.
Monday, March 18th, Freshmen vs. Sophomores.

Intra-Mural Bowling

Tourney Gets Under Way

The intra-mural bowling tournament opened on Monday, February 11th, with the Non-Socs. victorious over the Eulexians, winning two out of three games, their total pin-fall being 1157 against the Eulexian's 1137. The twenty point difference made the match close up to the very end.

On Wednesday, February 13th, Kappa Gamma Chi beat the Faculty in three straight games, winning by a comfortable margin of 389 pins. Total pin fall for the evening: K. G. X., 1392; Faculty, 1003.

The help team, this year a strong one, defeated Sigma Alpha Epsilon on Friday, February 15th, taking two out of three games, with a total pinfall of 1212 against S. A. E.'s 1118.

This year, instead of deciding matches by total pin-fall, the scoring is being arranged on a game basis, with each victorious game counting as a unit. On this basis, K. G. X. heads the league at present with three won and none lost.

Monday's standing:

Team	Pinfall	Won	Lost
K. G. X.	1392	3	0
Non-Socs	1157	2	1
Help	1212	2	1
Eulexians	1137	1	2
S. A. E.	1118	1	2
Faculty	1003	0	3

Lyre Tree Competition

The editorial board of The Lyre Tree for the year 1935-1936, will be appointed following publication of the May issue. Any men not now associated with the paper who would like to compete for positions on the board will please confer with the editor within the next week.

"The Magic Spring"

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Theatre Group

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performances. Harvey Fite as the unvarnished lover whose constancy wins the recognition, and perhaps the love, of Emily Chilvester, gave an able performance as the unassuming Mr. Bateman. Harold Bassage rendered a neat portrayal as the bewildered city inspector Banting. The roles taken by members of the community were comparatively small ones, but all were capably performed.

Perhaps one of the most remarkable features of the production was the highly effective scenery which was designed by Hugh Gage, '37, and constructed and painted by the staff of the Bard Theatre under the direction of Harvey Fite. Acknowledgement should also be made to Miss Elsa Frame who rendered invaluable aid as technical adviser of the production. The settings, particularly those of the library of Chilvester House and the terrace at Bracelet Furlong, gave evidence of a remarkable technical skill and artistic invention.

Mr. Donald Blackwell has directed "The Magic Spring" with a meticulous efficiency. He has taken a confusing and shallow play and made it attractive, mediocre entertainment. The production is capably executed, certainly not an unforgettable experience, but of definite advantage to the Bard Theatre Group. Practical experience for students of the drama in such productions is invaluable. Let us have more of these projects completed with professional standards, but may we make a special request that the next play afford us an opportunity to rest our nerves?

M. G.

Bard Field Period

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In Future Policy

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the faculty and of the student body seems to be that this unique feature of the educational program of the college has already justified itself as an integral part of the policy for the future."

Among the interesting projects carried on during January by individual students, the following may be mentioned: One student majoring in economics worked with the New Jersey Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. One student interested in dramatics worked with the Theatre Guild in New York. Another student investigated slum conditions in New York, giving special emphasis to actual case histories. Another worked in the law offices of The Legal Aid Society. Other students have prepared papers on various topics, which have evoked particularly favorable comment.

Grant To College

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ent body interested in music. Ladies of the faculty have kindly consented to serve as librarians of the set on certain afternoons and evenings.

Also, the Carnegie Corporation has given a fine art set consisting of some 2,000 reproductions in color of famous masters, valued at \$6,500.00. Selected pictures of this group will be placed in the various seminar rooms and halls.

Alumni Notes

1874

The Rev. William M. Ricksly, former chaplain of Loomis Sanitarium, should be addressed at Loomis rather than Liberty, N. Y.

1881

The Rev. William Edgar Nies, formerly archdeacon of the American Churches in Europe, is now living at 33 Quai Wilson, Geneva, Switzerland.

The Rev. William Henry Morrison is now retired from the active ministry and lives at 48 West 87th Street, New York City.

1883

The Rev. Charles Elisha Freeman is now retired and living at 301 South Cherry Street, Hammond, La.

1895

George Overrocker is practising law in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

1899

The Rev. Arthur Sanford Lears is now in charge of All Saints' Church, Wenonah, N. J.

1901

The Rev. A. Carlton Howell now lives at 7 Centennial Ave., Sewickley, Pa. He recently resigned his rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, after an incumbancy of twenty-five years.

1905

James Rodney Peelor is in the Firestone tire business in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and is living at 163 Academy Street.

1908

James Hoyt Kerly is living at Upper Red Hook, N. Y.

1910

The Rev. David S. Agnew is now in charge of St. John's Church, Durand, Mich., and living at 108 Mercer Street.

His brother, John Robert Agnew, is practising medicine at Chicopee, Mass.

1912

The Rev. David McDonald, formerly located at Lancaster, Ohio, may now be addressed at Box 84, Melrose, Mass.

1913

William Harry Wilson is now living at Greenport, Long Island.

1914

Arthur Hope Parks lives at 12 East 86th Street, New York City.

1915

Leonard R. Middleton lives in Steelton, Pa.

1918

Ronald C. MacGuire is living at 48 Cedar Street, Rye, N. Y.

1923

Otto Thomas Simmons correct address is 3534 84th Street, Jackson Heights, Long Island.

1924

Donald Edwards may be addressed at 308 Catherine Ave., Brownsville, Pa.

1926

Paul F. Pfister, is in business at, and living in Torrington, Conn.

1929

Theodore H. Moller works at his home city, Poughkeepsie.

1932

Eduardo D. Maldonado is living at 50 Haven Street, New York City.

Elimination Bouts For

Boxers and Wrestlers Set

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gym in the afternoons, gym work in these and other fields can easily be arranged for morning periods between 11 and 12 a. m.

Although boxing and wrestling have never enjoyed much popularity here, if the present interest and attendance is maintained, an informal intercollegiate boxing and wrestling match may be arranged with the freshman teams of Columbia or Amherst.

The men who have signed up for the eliminations in the boxing and wrestling tournament include: Cioni (147 lbs.), Simmons (162 lbs.), Drogula (139 lbs.), Leone (131 lbs.), Economos (168 lbs.), Oustinoff (146 lbs.), McBee (175 lbs.), Mears (155 lbs.), Jones (150 lbs.), Hicks (155 lbs.), Rosenberg (145 lbs.), Patterson (126 lbs.), Serena (147 lbs.), Dienst (155 lbs.)

College Peace Poll Against Entering League; Muni- tions Control Favored

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with the Association of College Editors whose members are editors of campus publications.

"In view of the reputation for accuracy which The Literary Digest polls have established with smaller percentages of returns, it is safe to say that the results of the College Peace Poll portray an accurate cross-section of opinion in American colleges.

"In answer to the question, 'Do you believe that a national policy of an American Navy and Air-Force second to none is a sound method of insuring us against being drawn into another great war?' only eighteen colleges voted 'Yes'.

"The League of Nations received a favorable majority in fifty-five colleges; an unfavorable vote in sixty-three. In analysis of the list of those colleges which opposed entry into the League of Nations, it is fair to draw these conclusions:

"In general, those colleges which have well established reputations for liberal educational policies, are

the colleges in which a majority of undergraduates voted in favor of entry into the League of Nations.

"All women's colleges voted in favor of entry into the League. All the Catholic colleges on the list opposed entry.

"It is interesting to note that in the 'Cotton South,' where economic internationalism is synonymous with economic security, with few exceptions the colleges voted against entry into the League of Nations.

"It is also interesting to compare returns from colleges in the same State on the League question. The University of Illinois opposed entry; the University of Chicago advocated going into the League. The University of Michigan favored entry; Michigan State opposed American membership in the League.

"The College Peace Poll was extended to one university in Canada to serve as a test vote of Canadian sentiment. Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, was selected. The questions asked the Canadian students were substantially the same as those on the ballots for American colleges — altered, of course, to fit the special case.

"For instance, the fifth question on the Canadian ballot was phrased: 'Should Canada remain in the League of Nations?' An overwhelming majority, 97.14 per cent. of the voters, advocated that Canada should remain in the League."

Freshman Frolic Plans Announced By Class of '38

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N. Voorhees, The Rev. and Mrs. Lowell Yates, Mr. Harold Bassage, Mr. Glenn B. McClelland and Mr. and Mrs. E. Stewart Williams.

The plans for Saturday, March 2, promise a full day of activities. An original play, promoted by the Class of 1938, will be presented in the Bard Theatre early in the afternoon. This will be followed by a basketball game, Bard vs. Alumni, in the Memorial Gymnasium. Sigma Alpha Epsilon will hold a tea dance at their house in Annandale from four until seven. Fraternity dances, as usual, will be given Saturday evening by Kappa Gamma Chi and Eulexian at their houses in honor of the week-end guests.

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social program the present generation decides upon. It is no more than right that we should express our opinions through such an agency as this model senate. Vassar College is proud to be the agency through which this opinion reaches articulation."

Among the institutions which have already accepted invitations to the conference are: Lehigh, Hamilton, Rochester, Elmira, Amherst, Antioch, Princeton, New Rochelle, Skidmore, Radcliffe, Leland Stanford, Dartmouth, Wellesley, William Smith, Alleghany, New Jersey College for Women, Union, Lafayette, Mount Holyoke and Rutgers.

The interests of Louisiana and Huey P. Long will be protected by a delegation from Lehigh. Vassar will represent the pressure group, the lobbyists, including the Chambers of Commerce, the American Federation of Labor, the Communists and the religious group. California will be represented by the debating team of Leland Stanford

University which is now touring the country.

The delegates will be housed in Cushing Hall.

Skiing Enthusiasts Take Advantage of Heavy Snow

Skiing, one of the revived and organized sports under the new Bard program, is receiving turn-outs in a small but consistent number on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. This group, under the direction of Dr. Barnes, practices informally in the afternoons, weather permitting, on the Zabriskie estate.

To date, the trips have included a visit to Elizaville, ten miles east of Rock City, which is easily accessible and well suited for men learning to ski. At present, the members comprising the skiing group include Walling, Brewer, Frost, Dienst, Gildersleeve, Hicks, Stevens and McGee. For the future, providing enough interest is aroused, a trip may be made to Salisbury, Connecticut, about forty miles away, which has excellent jumping facilities.



When you need an excuse
to stay a little longer....

I'm your best friend

I am your Lucky Strike



I give you the mildest smoke, the best-tasting smoke. You wonder what makes me different. I'll tell you. It's center leaves. I spurn the little, sticky, top leaves... so

bitter to the taste. I scorn the coarse bottom leaves, so harsh and unappetizing. I am careful of your friendship, for I am made only of the mild, fragrant, expensive center leaves.

They Taste Better

Dean In Atlantic City Writing Catalogue

The Dean will be absent from the college for two weeks in Atlantic City, preparing the new Bard College catalogue for the press. He will also deliver an address before the Convention of the American Council of Guidance and Personal Association which is meeting there. He is expecting to visit a number of other colleges and universities before returning to the Bard campus.

College Population Increased by 10% Throughout U.S.

Number of Freshmen More Numerous In Almost Every College

New York, N. Y. (NSFA)—An encouraging average enrollment increase of at least 10 per cent over last year is evident from informal reports submitted by student government officials to the National Student Federation.

Western colleges showing the most marked increase attribute this condition to higher farm prices and in other parts of the country improved general business conditions are credited. Federal relief funds for part-time employment are responsible for at least 50,000 new students registration, about 6 per cent of the total collegiate population. Lower tuition in a great many institutions may account for registration of some who otherwise would not be able to afford attendance.

Freshmen are more numerous in almost every college in the country. The class of 1938 at Columbia University is the largest since 1930, at Vassar the largest since 1929 and at Wellesley the largest in ten years. Universities such as Harvard, Brown and Colgate which have definite freshman limitations report a 35 per cent increase in applications.

In the Middle West there is no single report indicating enrollment decrease and on the West Coast, where the University of California at Berkeley leads the field with a 14 per cent increase, there is a definite indication that final figures will prove an upswing higher than the national average.

George L. Ackerman Is Appointed To Sports Staff

George L. Ackerman, a graduate of Springfield College with the class of 1929, has been appointed assistant director of athletics at Bard for the semester now in session.

Mr. Ackerman was for several years associate director of athletics at the Horace Mann School in New York, where he had a significant record as coach of football and basketball. He was also instrumental there in building up a strong program of intra-mural sports.

Forum Club Meeting To Discuss "Senate"

The Bard Forum plans to have a meeting for discussion on the Intercollegiate Model Senate next week after their delegates return from the conference this week at Vassar College.

Chapel Cuts

All students who wish to be excused from chapel cuts recorded against them should get in touch with Dr. Sanford, the registrar, before the end of the week in which the cuts occur.

Contributors' Column

To the Editor of the Lyre Tree:

Since the melting snows have made it rather difficult to find any great enjoyment in the pursuit of outdoor sports, I have spent quite some time within the archives of our ancient halls reflecting upon certain matters connected with the traditions of our noble alma mater. What, may I ask, has happened to many of the choicest traditions that yearly used to afford amusement to the knowledge gatherers of this institution? In times past there was great ceremony among the freshmen in carrying out a tradition that had to do, I believe, with the burying of an algebra book. (It has been so long since such an interment took place, that I scarce can remember the details). It seems to me that returning alumni, when they begin to reminisce, never fail to mention this particular piece of "putting it over on the sophomores" as a highlight among their undergraduate escapades. For two years now there has been no laying to rest of the book.

Also, I recall, the winter season always used to yield a grand and gory snowball fight between the first year men and those in the class above them. What has happened to these two ancient rites? If the men coming into college feel too much above them, I am sorry, for they are, without doubt, two of the most fun-yielding experiences in a freshman's life.

The class day exercise of disinterring the buried algebra and the drinking of toasts to the college by the graduating class are a ceremony that should not pass out. If the class of 1938 does not go through with the aforementioned traditions, they are missing a great deal. The classes of 1936 and 1937 have both missed a great deal of fun. What to do?

Joe Reminisce.

Two One-acts To Be Seen

At Bard Theatre Monday

The next bit of legitimate staging to be produced at the Bard Theatre will be seen on Monday evening when two one-act plays will be produced on the stage recently vacated by "The Magic Spring." Harvey Fite's "Napoleon and the Omelet," a farce dealing with an episode in the life of one of the world's greatest dictators, is being staged by James Gildersleeve '35. The players include Mrs. Marianna Carpenter, James Pennock and Hugh Gage.

The other opus to be presented has not been announced publicly as yet, although it is reported rehearsals are under way.

Immediately following the production of these plays it is reported that the drama department will begin rehearsals on the long awaited "funny" play. This will be a three-act production, entirely student acted.

Grace Moore Film Coming To Theatre

"One Night of Love," the popular musical film featuring Grace Moore, of the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be seen on the screen at the Bard Theatre next Saturday evening, February 23. The picture has been hailed by critics as one of the best screen recordings of the past year. A short subject will also be included in the program.

Spring Vacation Dates

The request of the Convocation of Undergraduates that the administration of the college cancel the holiday on Washington's birthday and add a day to the spring vacation has been granted, the Dean's office has announced. The dates of vacation are now scheduled as from April 18 to April 24.

Poetry and Such

(The following verse was conceived of by a writer on a Syracuse, N. Y., paper and given indirectly to a member of the Lyre Tree staff):

I shot an arrow in the air,
It fell to earth I know not where;
I've lost a helluva lot of arrows
that way.

Lyre Tree Appointments

The Lyre Tree announces the advancement of Martin Goldstein '35 to the position of assistant editor, and the appointment of Elliott Rosenberg '36 to fill the position of sports editor.

Louis G. LaBarre '34, who is spending this year in Germany, returned to his home in Allentown, Pa., for the Christmas holidays. He sailed for Germany again on January 15 on the Bremen.

Jack W. Lydman '36, who is spending his junior year at the university in Halle, Germany, attended a number of duels between university students recently. He will remain abroad until the end of next summer, when he will return to Bard to complete his course.

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Fraternity Notes

Eulexian

The Eulexian Fraternity announces the pledging of Jackson Staley '38 on Thursday evening, February 14.

The fraternity held an open house dance on Saturday evening, February 9, with music by Ortung and his orchestra. Among those present were members of the cast of "The Magic Spring."

An open house dance in honor of the guests on campus for the Freshman Frolic will be held in the chapter house on the evening of March 2.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

The New York Sigma Phi chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon announces the re-election of John Mears '35 as head of the house for the current semester.

The chapter also announces it will give a tea dance on the afternoon of Saturday, March 2, for the faculty, students and Freshman Frolic guests.

Kappa Gamma Chi

Kappa Gamma Chi will be hosts to the other fraternities at Bard College tomorrow evening following the regular weekly fraternity meetings.

The fraternity will give a dance on Saturday evening, March 2, following the Freshman Frolic festivities.



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