INTER-SORORITY PARTY

The most novel calling, demonstration, and all-around Howardsonian function of the social season was, of course, a faculty receiving line consisting of Dr. H. Bruhacher and Mrs. Bruhacher, Dean Horner and Mrs. Horner, Professor Leslie and Mrs. Leslie, Miss Springsteen, and several others. The unfortunate fact that those faculty members were not really present did not matter, for the faculty line, therefore, they were represented by able substitutes. Among the publishers, the popular professor of the evening was Dr. Painter. His well-known characterizations of various authors passed themselves off as their creators.

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Editorials

WORDS

How much we admire a person who has the faculty of expressing just exactly what he means! How often, alas, we find this faculty in daily examples of this inability to use words. Are we able to express what we really mean? I believe that we are unable to subscribe to one of the local papers.

In the same way, we are not trained to lie teachers. In what college do we expect to develop a vocabulary, need for efficiency in the handling of words? If we college students were expected to be somewhat familiar with the terms of associates in the corridors or locker rooms, or put the one you have in the recitation room.

Almost every day we hear someone's professor's reference to the inexpressible fact that we are being trained to be teachers. In what other profession is there more need for efficiency in the handling of words? If we college students could express ourselves in one way during the four years here, is it anything more than a necessity that we can acquire the ability to say clearly and adequately what we mean?

P. M. M., '19

To the Editor of the State College News:

I understand the students are expected to be somewhat familiar with current topics and with events which our newly developed daily papers, it would seem to me that they should have access to the daily papers, such as the Albany Evening Journal, and the students are encouraged to subscribe. The majority of students are capable of making the necessary effort to purchase the local papers. Students are often blamed for a lack of knowledge of current events. I am sure that these students would only be too willing to spend a few minutes each day in reading a newspaper if one were available.

As far as I am able to ascertain, at least one or two normal school students in the State do not furnish us with the means by which the students can be made to understand the necessity of this habit. One of these schools reports that the new year. I realize that the first step to the opening of the school year is to have the new students understand the necessity of this habit. I believe that the students have the right to have the means of this habit. I believe that the students have the right to have the means to communicate with the proper authorities to give us a desire to do this, as well as what is the individual's desire to plan to attend a school or have the opportunity to succeed outside of college instead? Why not have at least one dance a year with the New York State G. S. C. T. student and invite an outside group to our college? Let the expense of this dance be fairly heavy, say about three dollars, and the proceeds given to the Red Cross or some patriotic work. Surely, there would be enough students glad to attend such a dance.

Another suggestion—if the gym were open for informal dances on Friday evenings just for the college and a nominal amount charged for admission, the proceeds to be divided between the Red Cross and some patriotic work, perhaps it would not do any less disfavorliness about the necessity of this habit and quantity of these dances.

To the Editor:

Just as an expression of opinion concerning the giving up of college socials, I would like to say that I consider it a splendid plan to stop needless expenses in this direction. Certainly the spirit behind the movement is to be commended. But we are not in the days of the 1840's. It is an old saying that, "All work and no play make dull boys." And this is singularity applicable here.

With social functions removed college life here as affected by the war. My opinion is that it would destroy the necessary outlet. It is an old adage that "An idle mind will wander," and I am sure that the student body concerning our college sing will be held at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

The use of the college sing book will be a booklet containing about 100 songs compiled by Mr. H. S. Bronner. The selections are made from songs that most of us already know or have known the popular songs and they have proven very popular and it is expected that the college sing will go very well.

These halyards are to be handed out not to any particular song, but in order that there will be a sufficient number on hand for use whenever they are needed.

If the weather will permit, the sing will be held on the college lawn. Everyone ought to come out to enjoy the sing.

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The annual exhibition of the college sing will be held at the Hotel Astor in New York City. The exhibition will be held on the college lawn. Everyone ought to come out to enjoy the sing.

NEW YORK BRANCH OF ALUMNI HOLD MEETING APRIL 20th

The annual meeting of the New York branch of the Alumni Association will be held at the Hotel Astor in New York City. Dr. Bronner, Dean of the College, and Miss McClelland, formerly of the former class, will be present.

Among the addresses of greatest interest will be "The War Work of the Red Cross" by Dr. Bronner, "My Experiences as an Ambulance Driver" by the administration, "The Patronage Misses," by James J. McCalmon, "Life at Camp Dix as a Professor of Hymnology," by Lieutenant Jesse Jones, '18.

Samuel J. Showman of Bridgeport, Conn., was elected president of this association for the following year.

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GYM EXHIBITION

The annual exhibition of the gymnasium work will be held Friday, April 20th. The direction of Miss Gray and Mr. Marvin. The exhibition will be held at the Albany High School gym. Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen will take part.

FRENCH CLUB TO HAVE NEW BIRTH

The French Club which was last year, but has not been since then, is again to come into existence. It is in English means that some of us who are actively interested in French are going to get together today and on succeeding Wednesdays at 4 o'clock for little informal visits in French. Some of us who have "gondolas" will tell the others about the experience gained in this way, and they will want to share in this work.

At our first meeting to-day (in Room 100), we will elect officers, discuss the final details of work, and plan for the organization. After this, M. Simonin will speak to us.

Every French student in college is cordially invited.
OFFICIAL CALENDAR

WED. APR. 24—3:55 p.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Room 103; 3:55 p.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Room 108; 4:00 p.m., Y. W. C. A. Meeting, Auditorium.

THURS. APR. 25—1:00 p.m., m.-5:00 p.m., Red Cross, Surgical Dressings, Room B-1; 11:00 a.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Auditorium; 2:00 p.m., W. C. A. Democracy Discussion Group, Room 103; 3:00 p.m., Y. W. C. A. Democracy Discussion Group, Room 109.

FRI. APR. 26—9:00 a.m., Students Assembly, Auditorium; 1:45 p.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Room 103; 2:15 p.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Room 106; 4:30 p.m., Lecture, "Utopian Democracy," Prof. Richmond H. Kirlland, Auditorium; 5:00 p.m., Democracy Discussion Group, Auditorium.

SAT. APR. 27—2:00 p.m., Dancing Class, Gymnasium; 3:00 p.m., Kappa Nu Dance, Gymnasium.

MON. APR. 28—3:00 p.m., M. p.m., Red Cross Sewing, Room B-1; 3:30 p.m., Music Club, Auditorium; 4:30 p.m., War Council, Room 4; 7:30 p.m., Red Cross Sewing, Room A; 7:45 p.m., Faculty Women, Red Cross, Green Room.

KAPPA DELTA

Henrietta Fitch, '11, and Marguerite Stewart, '17, were visitors at the House last week.

Louise Irleson has been called to her home in Niagara to attend to the illness of her sister.

Ruth Libby had as her guest over the week-end, Helena Gibson of Clinton.

Last Saturday evening the Juniors of Kappa Delta were entertained by Dorothy Roberts at her home.

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Kappa Nu

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We are glad to welcome Margaret Vignieri, Gertrude Burns, Helen O'Brien, Katherine McFarland, Helen Taxel and Edna Munnelly, 21 as fully initiated members of KN.

Psi Gamma Notes

We extend deepest sympathy to Lillian King, ’18, in the loss of her brother, who was struck fatally with spinal meningitis while with his regiment in France. She is spending the week with her parents in Plattsburgh.

Marjorie Mitchell spent the weekend at her home in Hildahide. Olive Horning, ’17, visited at the house last week-end.


KAP

The second degree of initiation was conferred Saturday evening upon James Wilbur, ’20, Kenneth Holdren, 20, and Martin Barry, ’21. KAP has another star added to the fifteen already in its service. R. W. S. might mean We Sourn Students.

psi Gamma welcomes as initiated brothers W. E. Sutherland, Townsend, ’19, Earle Suttherlard, ’18, Gerald Currie, ’20, and Martin Barry, 21.

The fraternity has voted to give up its annual spring dance, scheduled for May 3rd at the Yacht Club, and to buy $50 Liberty Bonds.

Gardens’ fun, Helps to Beat the Hun;
Wife your dollars that every one can:
Get him on the run.

W. S. S. might mean We Sovern Stacker: it signifies that stacker dollars ought to be at work for Liberty in the purchase of War Savings Stamps.

Gustave Lorey

Photographer to the Class of 1918

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