Newman Hall Has Open House Tonight

Newman Hall will conduct a social tonight at the hall to which all members of the summer session student body and faculty are invited, according to Miss Frances V. Peck, State College, '31. Newman Hall is located at 741 Madison Avenue. The social will begin at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

There are six committees in charge of the social. The committee chairmen are: refreshments, Frances V. Peck; dancing, Mary Nolan; reception, Elizabeth Cronin; music, Bettina Azzarito; cheerleaders, Mary Micucci; decorations, Patricia Kelley.

Slingerlands Pond Hike Is Tomorrow

A hike to Slingerlands pond will be conducted tomorrow for the girls of the summer session. The girls will meet at the college at two o'clock with their bathing suits and lunch, and take a Delaware Avenue bus to the end of the line, from where they will hike to the pond. Everybody is welcome to attend, according to Frances V. Peck, who will conduct the hike. It is not necessary to have signed the notice posted on the bulletin board, according to Miss Peck.

Session Donates $20 to Dormitory Fund

About $20, the remainder of a State College summer session student tax, will be donated to the State College Dormitory fund, according to Professor Winfred C. Doeker, director.

Tennis Tournaments Will Start Tomorrow

The first round of matches in the men's and women's tennis tournaments will be played tomorrow at Washington Park, according to Bernard Sullivan, State College, '30, who will direct the tournaments. Entry to the tournament closed yesterday at noon, and post entries can only be made with Sullivan's permission.

The time of matches and opponents are now posted on the bulletin board. Entrants are requested to look for their names. If either player should fail to appear on time, the match will be considered forfeited. All games will be played on the lower courts of Washington Park.

There are thirteen entries in the men's tournament, and four in the women's. The women's finals will not be played till the day of the men's final match, according to Sullivan. All the contests will be played off in as rapid order as possible, so as to finish the tournament before examinations.

Students to Dance in Gymnasium Daily

Through the efforts of the Summertimes and the courtesy of the students of the regular session of State College, summer session students may now dance daily at noon in the gymnasium of Howley Hall. Music will be furnished by an electronic device owned by the student association of State College.

The dancing will begin today at noon and will be conducted every school day for the remainder of the session.
WE HAVE WITH US ALWAYS

We were both surprised and remorseful recently, while taking an examination in one of the summer session courses, to see what was unmistakably an attempt to exchange information and views in regard to answering some of the questions. At the time, the exchange, rather one-sided at that, was apparently successful.

We were further surprised to see that the intercourse was not between flippant, blase, and accusedly unmoral undergraduate collegians, but was the work of apparently sincere, staid, and honest members of the teaching profession.

This is, of course, not an indictment of a most honorable and highly esteemed group. Such a thing would be absurd, and worthy only of the type of person, who, for instance, demands undergraduate sin. We have mentioned because of the actions of some pseudo-collegian that he has observed in the movies or on the street. Through the actions of this individual, the ignorant sometimes condemn the entire class.

It would be interesting to hear these individuals express their opinions of the undergraduate as a group - merely to test the old proverb, "Birds of a feather shouldn't live in glass houses."

THE DUTIES OF A PRINCIPAL

"A school principal is one who is paid to refrain from working too hard, so that when everyone else about the place has gone fagged or wild, his cool head will serve as a nucleus of sanity," writes Dr. Daniel Wolford La Rue, professor of psychology in the Pennsylvania State College for Teachers, in the June "Journal of the National Education Association."

"The first duty of the principal", Dr. La Rue says, "is to give a daily demonstration lesson in mental hygiene, to carry out Kipling's "If", keeping his head when all about him are losing theirs and blaming it on him, to remain a kindly, big-souled, thoughtful, sincere, fair-minded, progressive personality, whatever betide; to be a creative artist without the temperamental mood and passion."

"A sympathetic principal is like a good coach. He can grade the training, introduce variety, prevent staleness and breakdown. No matter what other drive is on, the drive for mental health is always on, leading supervisory efforts for both the teacher and child."

Dr. La Rue, in his article, develops the following five rules for principals in fostering mental health in their administration:

1. Be friendly and approachable.
2. Study, develop, and integrate your personnel.
3. Through purpose, build morale.
4. Economize the teacher's energy.
5. Use modern, democratic methods, as you want your teachers to do.

We offer the above advice by Dr. La Rue with no editorial comment save that most of what he says, as you have doubtless discovered, can be used by the teacher as well as the executive.

F.W.C.
"A popgun is a popgun," observed Emerson, "though the ancient and honorable of the world affirm it to be the crack of doom." What can a more professor in a summer-school say about his work which will sound more august than the feeble report of a popgun that has been fired off for the entertainment of four generations of college infants?

In those generations a good many popguns have been contributing their mirth. During that war which we conspire to call Great, we teachers of American Literature declared that what we were teaching was citizenship; in that way we increased our importance and enrollment if not our wisdom. Since those popping times we have announced that American Literature is history, that it is Philosophy, Sociology, Psychoanalysis; we have even hinted that it is the New Education. There is lying, — I use the word advisedly, — there is lying before me as I write a magazine devoted to the advancement of its editors and to research in American Literature; in one page of a single article I find the holy words evaluate, meaningful, and skills. (Why does the Skill family always run to twins? Let the professors of education reply.) Gazing upon this proof that literature has become pedagogy, I hear a sound more brave than that of popguns; is it Gabriel or Bottom?

While I pause for an interpreter of these portents, I continue to shoot off a few more salutes. For a long time I have suspected that American Literature has something to do with Art, — or with the Arts. In my classes I have tried to show the connections between American painting, sculpture, architecture, music, drama, and — literature. While the experiment would have been more successful if I had known something about the three arts first mentioned, I have had a pleasant adventure and I have kept the departments of Music and Art in that agreeable state of astonishment always induced when somebody recognizes their existence.

This summer, being tired of noise, I am trying to teach American Literature as literature; the experience is so novel that my tongue cleaves to the roof of my mouth. Next autumn we must get out the popguns again.

H. W. Thompson

Editors note: This is the first of a series of articles by members of the State College Summer session faculty. If possible, one article by a member of the faculty will be included in each issue of the SUMMER-TIMES for the remainder of the session.

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FACULTY HAS PICNIC AT INDIAN LADDER

Twenty one members of the faculty attended a picnic Wednesday at Indian Ladder. Among those who attended were Professor Winfred C. Deckor, director of the summer session, Professor Adam A. Walker, Professor David Hutchison, Professor Harry Birchmore, assistant professor Carlton E. Power, assistant Professor Clarence A. Hidley, assistant Professor Milton G. Nelson, Professor Charlotte Loeb, Miss Katherine E. Wheeling, Miss Mary E. Cobb, assistant Professor Howard A. Dobell, Miss Helen C. James, Thomas M. Muir, Professor Julius Stanton Kingsley, Professor E.I.F. Williams, Mr. Stuart Fabor, Professor Frank E. Howard, Mr. Christopher M. Ryan, Dr. Rufus Stickney, Miss Amelia Knobel, and Professor Sidney H. Cox, A.M.

They supplied their own transportation and lunch.

Dr. Vruwink to speak at vespers Sunday

The Reverend Dr. Vruwink, of Albany, will speak on "Increasing our personal energy" at the second vespers services of the summer session, which will be conducted this Sunday, July 20, at 4 o'clock, in room 101. Reverend Van Keuren directed the meeting last Sunday.

The meetings are entirely undenominational, according to Miss Jean Gillespy, '31. Everyone is invited to attend.

LANGUAGE EXAMINATIONS TO BE SATURDAY, AUG. 3

The written examinations for teachers of French, Spanish and German will be conducted by the state department of education in room 111, Saturday morning, August 3, from 9 o'clock to 12. Candidates should be punctual in presenting themselves.

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159 men have registered for the summer session as compared with 663 women, according to a recent announcement from the registrar's office. The total registration is 822.

Of this total, the largest group is composed of elementary school teachers, with 203 registered. High school teachers form the second largest group with 174, while State College undergraduates come third, 144 registered.

Three superintendents of schools are among those who have enrolled, while there are 41 principals. There are 9 college teachers, 2 normal school teachers, and 16 supervisors taking summer session courses.

Other teachers include 25 junior high school teachers, 11 part time school teachers, 16 rural school teachers, 11 teachers of special classes and three teachers of immigrant education. There are also 5 librarians and 2 school nurses.

The remainder of the total enrollment includes 6 education department employees, 50 undergraduates of other colleges than State College, 72 college graduates with no positions specified, and 29 unclassified students.

GRADUATE STUDENTS WILL TAKE TEST

According to an announcement of Dean William H. Metzler, all persons pursuing graduate work this summer and who plan to become candidates for the masters Degree later are requested to appear in room 161 at 2 P.M. on Wednesday, July 31, to take a test provided for by the graduate committee.
The proud blonde turned to the big burlyman. He was advancing to her, his long sharp knife glinting in the sun. She stepped back, placed her hand to her face, and said in a low tone: "Have you no heart?"
"No!" he replied gruffly.
"Then give me twenty cents worth of liver."
"Shay, this match won't light. Wassa madder wid it?"
"I dunno. It was all right a minute ago."
"Hi, there, Christopher, how did you make it this trip?"
"About the same. Three thousand miles to the galleon."
Jack: "Will you give me a kiss? Just one?"
Sue: "No! You asked for a match just now, and filled your pockets with all dad's cigars."

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