LECTURES TO WOMEN TO BE ABANDONED

Dean Pierce Thinks Freshmen Have Sufficient Reading

This Year

MORE STUDIES REQUIRED

Dean Anna E. Pierce will abandon the lectures annually delivered benevolently to the freshman women. The lectures given Thursday afternoons by Professor Pierce covered a wide range of subjects. However, she now feels that girls should dress, to the physical, ethical and moral standards of the modern American college woman. Their purpose was helpfulness to the girls who are away from home for the first time.

Dean Pierce stated that she believed that the first year class had its full share of hours and work without including extra subjects. Two new courses have been introduced this year which require freshman attendance. All freshmen have been required to attend at least one library problem under the instruction of Miss Mary F. Cohn, librarian, to acquaint them with library rules and regulations and fit them to help themselves.

Another new course, instituted this year, is in the field of literature. Professor H. H. Kirkland, of the English department, is a co-teacher in this field, the other being Miss A. M. leather. The object of this course is to acquaint freshmen with the knowledge of how to read, how to write, and how to interpret literature, and to make them think, to see, to criticize, to think through every subject, and to help them to express their ideas and opinions.

“Perhaps after some of the new undertakings have been accomplished,” Dean Pierce stated, “I shall be able to go over some of the high spots of our lectures, if it is convenient for the students, in what I call valuable items and discussions. As a matter of fact, I am glad to deprive them of these Thursday afternoon sessions which have been interesting and informative groups in which the students have been engaged and with which each student has been familiarized with a new subject.

I feel that I am working for their good and I shall continue to do so.

COURT SEASON OPENS WITH JAMAICA TEAM

State College's varsity basketball team will open its season tomorrow night when it will meet the outfit representing Jamaica Teachers Training school. The game will be called at eight o'clock.

Dr. Thompson Writes to Ex-Dean Horner

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, professor of English, abroad this year upon behalf of the college, has written to New York State Education, the official magazine of the State Teachers' association, asking for the three one-act plays which the class will present in January.

In "The Shoes that Danced," a fantasy by Anna Humphreys Branche. The cast is as follows:

In the role of Pauline, H. A. Fay
In the role of Miss. L. E. Carter
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Supper in Cafeteria

The annual bazaar held under the auspices of Y. W. C. A. will be held this year in the gymnasium. The reason the proceeds will be given to the tennis team for the expense of Miss Helen B. Chinese girl who will visit to America next summer to take up studies in Smith college. After she has completed her course here in America, she will return to her native land to teach her own people, according to American forms and customs. Chinese costumes will be special features of the bazaar booths in the gymnasium. The bazaar will begin at three o'clock and continue until eleven o'clock.

Swimming Meet to Take Place Dec. 8

The swimming meet which has been planned by the G. A. A. will be held at Bath 3, December 8. Training for the meet has been under way since the early part of October, and several new and striking features will be introduced. The meet will be competitive and try outs are being held. A preliminary meet was held at the bath, Tuesday, November 23. At that time the championship event was won by Bertie Zajan, and the other by Ruth McNutt. McNutt's team came in first with a total of 21 points. There are the events: 25 yard back stroke, 50 yard back stroke, race, surface dive, plunge for distance, underwater swim, and relay. Later a "Follow the leader" event, water tricks, and games were enjoyed. The elementary class has taken up the back stroke and two kinds of diving.
THOMPSON WRITES LETTER

The News’s Signed Article by a Faculty Member is Contributed This Week by

PROFESSOR GEORGE M. YORK

Euphemia, a stoic philosopher of the first century A. D., wrote as an exercise to give the eyes for-seeing and was it for nothing that he mingled in them a spirit of such might and care? Disenchant it for nothing that such a light without which there were no bene fit of anything? If ever other man or woman one meets is wearing eyeglasses and a great many more are on their way to do so. There are very few people in the world who have eyes that can see and observe. "If the trouble is in the iris or retina, a piece of ground glass will quickly restore your focus, but it lies in the brain base which is the seat of perception, no amount of scalar skill will print an enduring picture on your memory." To behold is fatally easy, but to observe requires that the mind be fully organized to put in action. The average brain is slabbly from disease. Only the most perfect and finest order of training will make it sufficiently sensitive to recall the objects classic insight into other worlds.

No characteristic so marks a man or woman for preference in life as the gift of sight. For thousands of years every nation has exercised skillful flashing flash but Benjamin Franklin observed it every great invention breaks the heart of a hundred men who had dreamed about it years in advance of the inventor's public demonstration of a dreamer's model, but easy imagination or reasoning skill had emitted the weakness so that we have tightened the mental muscle into a practical machine. The successful man of business or professional life is one who has learned to see clearly and act. Nothing turns out many hawks and girls who can unreason their surroundings. Every student should become a part of all he sees. He should see the things essential, he should see how the process bears such a close relation to his bank account, but because observation and appreciation are so far in changing one life from a condition of mere existence to one of real living.

BOOK-ENDS

VOLCANO; A FROLIC

By Ralph Strauss

Reading a story of American small-towners who have advanced to reading history, for it gives one the pleasant consciousness of time profit. It is a story that reads well, and the story becomes history: the small town that never was there is a quite different feeling, accomplishment. However, when the setting of the story was finished, the author might follow his desire to visit there twenty years afterward and find the stage still exactly as the author left it. An English Common remains a Common; it is not enveloped overnight into a factory or an apartment house. The persons of the story, too, are unchanged, they walk the same paths, but do the same things in the same way with exactly the same mild smiles.

Such a Rip Van Winkle English town doesn’t happen to be Croome. If the inhabitants of this ancient, unsophisticated hamlet felt the same stirrings of curiosity and sympathy that I had, only to be permitted to go on unmolested, its sleepy, emotionless way. It would require, indeed, nothing short of a voluble bust to upset the even tenor of the joys and griefs of Croome inhabitants. But the author seems to have possessed the fault that is so frequent among the inhabitants; in a Volcano-moving mountain, already seething with emotions. The author was born, in fact, to unset the even tenor of the joys and griefs of Croome inhabitants. And the town was born into the middle of the celebrated Croome Common.

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NEWMAN COMMUNION DECEMBER 13
The second Quarterly Communion and breakfast of Newman club will take place Sunday, December 13. The club will attend the 9:00 o'clock mass at St. Vincent de Paul's Church and will then proceed to the Academy of the Holy Names where the breakfast will take place.

Tickets for the breakfast will be given out in the Rotunda at a date to be announced later or they may be secured through the councillors. Gertrude Lynch, '26, vice-president, is planning an appropriate Christmas program.

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MATH. CLUB INITIATES MANY NEW MEMBERS
Mathematics club initiated about a dozen new members at its fall initiation, held in the gymnasium Friday evening, November 20. The program given by the initiates included a short stanza, a very dramatic representation of "She Sat in the Hammock," and a memory test, the latter given by Carlton Mowry, '26, to a group of initiates. Following the custom of the club, the initiates answered roll call with the statement of a geometric proposition. Games and dancing followed.

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RUTH MINER ADDRESSES POLI SCI AT DINNER
Miss Ruth Miner, Albany lawyer, talked about her extraordinary work at the Thanksgiving dinner of Political Science club, Tuesday evening, November 24. Miss Miner spoke of her varied experiences, and threw light on "Law." The dinner opened with the singing of the Alma Mater after which Dr. Leonard Woods Richardson invoked the blessing. Louise D. Gunn, chairman of the dinner, told the Legend of the Evergreen Memory, and explained how this idea was carried out on the design of the place cards.

There were 70 people present including these faculty members: Dean Anna E. Pierce, Dr. Richardson, Miss Eunice A. Perkin, Professor and Mrs. Adna W. Risley, Professor and Mrs. David Hurdson, Miss Helen T. Pay, Professor R. Laura Thompson, and Professor Florence E. Wincheil.

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