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President Roosevelt Addresses 73rd Congress Convening At Capitol

Speech in Nature of Reports not Usual Recommendations As Expected

OUTLOOK OPTIMISTIC

N.R.A. Not Temporary Program But Foundation of New American System

On January 3, President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed the second session of the 73rd Congress convened at Washington. His address, received with enthusiasm, did not set forth recommendations for legislation as has been the tradition of past years, but was in the nature of a report of the progress made toward recovery of the country since last March, and a more or less optimistic presentation of the future.

The President made clear the stand of the administration regarding the National Industrial Recovery Act, saying that its purpose is not to serve as a temporary emergency structure, but instead to be the foundation of a permanent new American system. He is endeavoring to move from economic reconstruction to a permanent reform of the American social and economic system. Mr. Roosevelt drew a line of distinction between those few to whom the process of recovery means a return to old methods and the majority to whom it means the reform of social and economic methods. He advocated retaining some portions of the old system such as machine production, industrial efficiency, and broad education. There are some, however, which most certainly should not be tolerated, among these being the unnecessary expansion of industrial plants, the exploitation of consumers, child labor, and speculation with other people's money.

With regard to international affairs, President Roosevelt was less optimistic than he was dealing with other questions. He said it was his intention to keep clear of European politics, but that he would not hesitate to co-operate in disarmament and

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Skidmore's Traditional Christmas Festivities Held Dec. 6 to 16

One could hardly say that Skidmore was lacking in any amount of Christmas spirit this year, for we started to celebrate way back on December 6th, and kept on celebrating through December 16th when, with a loud roar, we adjourned to different points on the compass to carry on private jubilations of our own. On Wednesday we listened to Bach's Christmas Oratorio sung by the combined choruses of the Glens Falls Presbyterian Church and Skidmore College. On Thursday, December 7th, Bookmark held its Christmas sale, and we all had an excellent opportunity to purchase presents that would be appreciated by everyone. Saturday afternoon was the occasion for the annual party for the children of Hawley Home. On Sunday we had an unusually beautiful Christmas Vespers consisting of seasonal music.

Monday afternoon Mr. Saxton gave his Christmas Recital, presenting a program of Christmas songs. Thursday, December 14th, saw the greatest festivity of the week with a formal dinner in the dining halls, and the Christmas pageant immediately following in the chapel. That night the freshman class serenaded us all with carols while the seniors and juniors, not to be daunted, arose at some unearthly hour in the morning and did likewise. Friday and Saturday we dispersed for one final fling that lasted until January 4th.

Rear Admiral Byrd Heads Expedition in Interest of Science

Studies to Include Cosmic Rays, Aurora and Several Various Geographical Formations

Of the more recent developments in the world of science the expedition into the Antarctic under the leadership of Rear-Admiral Richard E. Byrd is probably the most outstanding.

Since that time, forty years ago, when Captain Christensen led his Norwegian party into that vast area known as the Antarctic, the pole has twice been revisited by foot and once by plane. In this manner much scientific data has been procured and the general nature and topography of the section determined. Once again we find Commander Byrd driving into the region already well known to him, and this time with two separate parties—one under the direction of Byrd himself, which has been preceded by the other, led by Commander Ellsworth, accompanied by Bert Balchen who flew with Byrd on his first trip. Captain Sir Hubert Wilkins is among the number composing Byrd's party, and with them are twelve scientists of note.

The division under Byrd's direction is interested in the scientific study of the aurora, experimentation with cosmic rays, geographical formations, and the classification of the various types of plant and animal life present, rather than in exploration itself. The party under Ellsworth and Balchen, however, plans to carefully photograph the land over which they fly, and it is expected that in this way accurate maps of the country may be prepared.

The two groups left separately—Ellsworth's and Balchen's party having reached their destination prior to Byrd. Byrd's equipment for the expedition includes, beside the usual boats, planes and supplies of like nature, a complete, particularly powerful radio instrument with which he has already been most successful in establishing contacts at home. Special apparatus for gathering the most exacting and accurate records of climate, temperature, geology, movements of the earth and the ice, biology, and the appearance of meteors are also aboard.

These two divisions are not working in a competitive manner, for, as has been stated, Byrd is more interested in the scientific while Ellsworth hopes to discover much of value by his explorations.

Byrd, a native of Virginia, has come to be recognized as America's foremost naval officer and aeronautic explorer. A graduate of the United States Naval Academy, he held the position of Lieutenant Commander of the naval forces operating in Canadian waters during the war, and also aided the naval aviation stations at North Sidney and Halifax, N. S. In 1918 he was made a Commander, and 1922 found him retired by a special act of Congress. He went to Greenland in 1925 with the Macmillan expedition sponsored by the National

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Vespers

The speaker of the Vespers to be held January 14, in College Hall will be Rufus M. Jones of Haverford, Penn. Dr. Jones, who has received degrees from Haverford, Heidelberg, Harvard, Oxford, Marburg, Pennsylvania College and Swarthmore, is now professor of Philosophy at Haverford College. He has been the editor of several papers—*The Friends' Review*, *The American Friend*, and *Present Day Papers* and is the author of a great number of books among which are *Trail of Life in College* and *The Pathway to Reality of God*.

As We Go to Press

By DOROTHY HUEBNER

Washington

From all reports, we have a tame Congress sitting down in Washington at the present moment—a Congress who is there in name only, as it were. Well after all, who can blame them for their docility? They know and we know that everything lies in the President's hands, so there's no use denying the fact, and besides—they want to get seats again next November—and that being the case they are all as meek as Moses. Nothing has happened as yet but they will have to do something soon so we can keep on hoping.

The Treasury experts are the ones that have the sweet job, for the prospects of raising 10 billion dollars are not as rosy as they could be. However, it seems that in general the people in the know seem optimistic as to where the shekels are coming from, so why should we worry?

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Albany

It seems that Mayor La Guardia has sort of had his wrists slapped by Governor Lehman—well it amounts to the same thing anyway. La Guardia thought he had a neat little plan worked out, whereby he would become fiscal and political dictator of New York City so that he could get things running smoothly, without any annoying interference. But when the Governor heard about it, he said "thumbs down, Fiorello. New York is too much of a city for one man to play around with" (or words to that effect). So now La Guardia has to struggle along as best as he can, and leave the dictating to Mussolini and Roosevelt.

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New York

And there's still trouble about speakeasies in spite of the legality of liquor. We guess the price of the license is too steep for the "speaks" because Police Commissioner O'Ryan has been urgently requested to "crack down" on all the unlicensed liquor sellers and he says he's going to go after them in a big way.

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New York

To change the subject over to sports—how about the homecoming of the triumphant Columbian "Rosebowlers"? We heard that the team had a "down in the mouth" send-off but they are certainly due for extensive adulation for a short time to come. To think the poor boys have to settle down to college work again after so much feting, etc.—it must be tough.

Mr. Johns to Lecture on Gothic Architecture in Studio, January 12

On Friday evening, January 12, Mr. Louis Edgar Johns will give an illustrated lecture in Studio 11 at 7:30. Mr. Johns' lecture, "The Story of the Gothic," will be accompanied by records of authentic medieval music.

The music is intended to create a mood so that the audience may be better able to interpret and understand the slides and pictures of Gothic architecture. The growth of both the music and architecture may be traced through a period of less organized development, and, although either might seem frigid and far away alone, yet when brought together, they seem much less distant and abstract.

The lecture has been given at a meeting of the Business Women's Club at the Katrina Trask House, and was enthusiastically received there.

Renowned Celebrities Yield to Grim Reaper During the Past Year

Many Fields Lose Leaders; Death Claims Several Foremost Thinkers

By JESSIE SAVAGE

In looking through a collection of death statistics for the past year the realization occurs that finis has been written to untold thrilling adventures in all parts of the world. Many of these stories will never be known to any but a few intimate friends of those who have gone, and yet others have left mark enough, no matter how seemingly trivial, so that their names will be remembered and their influence felt for some time to come.

In the field of literature were the greatest number of important deaths. Many were publishers and printers, some novelists and a few editors. In alphabetical order the list follows:

Abbott, Dr. Lawrence Fraser, editor and publisher of the *Outlook* 1891-1922, died Feb. 7, age 73.

Bancroft, Hugh, publisher of *Wall Street Journal* and other financial papers.

Benson, Stella, English novelist and traveller. Dec. 7, age 41.

Biggers, Earl Deer, creator of "Charlie Chan" author of "Seven Keys to Baldpate." April 5, age 49.

Chambers, Robert W., first painter then novelist. Dec. 16, age 68.

Curtis, Cyrus H. K., owner of *Saturday Evening Post*, founder of Curtis Publishing Company. Jan. 7, age 82.

Dickens, Sir Henry Fielding, jurist, last son of Charles Dickens, contributed posthumous sketch "The Christmas Glow," to *New York Times* of Dec. 24. Died Dec. 21, age 85.

Galsworthy, John, British winner of Nobel Prize for literature in 1932, died Jan. 31, age 65.

Lardner, Ring, short-story writer, inventor of baseball lingo. Sept. 25, age 48.

Thorndike, Dr. Ashley, Shakespearean and Professor of English at Columbia University. April 17, age 61.

Tolstoy, Count Ilya, writer, lecturer, second son of famous novelist Dec. 12, age 68.

In the political field also, many important careers came to an end. These are headed by Cermak who so bravely saved the President-elect Roosevelt from death by assassination.

Cermak, Anton J., Mayor of Chicago, wounded by bullet intended for President-elect Roosevelt.

Coolidge, Calvin, 30th President of U. S. Jan. 5, age 60.

Davis, Arthur Powell, engineer who projected Boulder Dam. Aug. 7, age 72.

Dock, William Mickles, Secretary of Labor under President Hoover. Oct. 23, age 50.

Parkhurst, Rev. Dr. Charles, sensational reformer who sermon in 1892 brought about Lexon Committee's investigation of New York City Police. Sept. 8, age 91.

Walsh, Sen. Thomas A., former Attorney-General designate. Conducted prosecution in the Teapot Dome oil case in the Senate. March 2, age 73.

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Rockwell Kent

Rockwell Kent, the well known and gifted illustrator and writer of fascinating books, is coming to Skidmore on January 11. He will speak in the Chapel at 8:00 P. M. on the subject, "In Defense of Modern Art." A most interesting and worthwhile evening is in store for his listeners. His versatile accomplishments in the field of art, and the vivid stamp of his own peculiar individuality on everything he does, has earned him a comparison with the famous Italian artist, Leonardo da Vinci.

Skidmore Hears Report of N.S.F.A. Conference Held December 27 - 31

Priscilla Bodman Outlines to Student Body Proceedings of Washington Conference

WORLD LEADERS SPEAK

Problems of College Students in Relation to World Affairs Topic of Discussions

In the assembly on Thursday noon, January 4, Priscilla Bodman gave a highly interesting report of the annual convention of the National Student Federation of America, which was held in Washington from December 27 to December 31.

Miss Bodman referred to an excerpt from a newspaper article on the convention which reads, "The difficulty to those who make us such a conference of educators and their charges is to keep a proper balance, a scale of values in pondering the variety of subjects thrust upon our attention." Our representative believes that the convention realized and kept this balance.

The speakers during the entire program stressed the fact that the country needs men and women trained in politics. On Wednesday, December 27, Chester H. McCall, Assistant to the Secretary of Commerce, spoke to the convention. He outlined a plan for a "Laboratory for Leadership in Public Affairs," which should consist of a University Forum to be held in Washington each winter for 3 months. Students could there receive training in government and politics. Mr. McCall emphasized the fact that "the campus is the logical training ground for public life."

Dr. George B. Woods, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, of the American University, addressed the Congress. Dr. Woods, in stressing the building up of personal integrity, said that the chief aim of college is to make an intelligent citizen of the student.

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United States Witnesses Outstanding Events During Past Year

The year of 1933 has been full of important events which will undoubtedly go down in History. The following are some of the most outstanding and for them acknowledgement is due to the Political Handbook of the World and also to the *New York Times*.

March 4-13. Nation-wide bank moratorium and temporary embargo on gold export, followed by bank reconstruction.

March 4. Franklin D. Roosevelt (Democrat) assumes office of President of the United States of America.

March 4. Democratic Cabinet assumes office.

March 9. Congress grants emergency powers to President.

April 20. Gold standard officially abandoned in the U. S.

May 12. Inflation Bill passed, giving President absolute powers.

June. N. R. A. campaign begun.

June 15. War debts due with Finland sole country to pay.

July. Lindbergh leaves with wife on Pan American Airways Expedition.

October 23. Rear Admiral Byrd leaves for Second Antarctic Expedition.

November 8. La Guardia elected Mayor of New York City.

November 13. Chicago's World Fair closed.

November 18. Recognition of Russia established.

November 18. W. C. Bullitt appointed Ambassador to Russia.

December 5. Prohibition officially repealed.

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CO-OPERATIVE SHARING

The trend of modern education is becoming more and more the effort to nurture in the individual student a wider and more comprehensive attitude of appreciation, not only of the subject matter of her department but also of the professors with whom she comes into contact and of what they have to offer. The development of co-operative "sharing" of ideas and problems between the student and the professor is one of the most practical lessons in adjustment to environment, such as every individual must learn to meet in her future relationships with life, that education has to advance with interest. To refuse such an advantage is to injure one's own opportunities as a matter of business.

The most difficult problem that for years has confronted educators, who possess an unshakeable faith that education can be made the major remedy for numerous social ills, is the lack of adequate association of the forces of education with the forces of daily life. Education has tended to grow into an isolated realm of theory and techniques, engineered on a high plane of dogmatic complexity. After four years of study the graduating student heretofore has been left suspended in a world of active fact with which she has been unable to cope successfully, not because she is untrained for the work she has undertaken, but because she fails to correlate the mass of facts accumulated in college with the experiences she meets in daily life until the results of those experiences are past. Accustomed to depend on book or instructor to think for her, she is incapable of thinking for herself.

Within the past year this danger has been brought to the attention of educational experts more often than ever before. Well-trained young men and women with college degrees have been refused by men of business in many circles because of their inability to adjust themselves to the circumstances of the position sought. College men and women, it has been said, frequently have a superiority complex. They want the best that the occupational field has to offer, but they are unwilling to exert themselves sufficiently so that they may become satisfactorily adapted to their surroundings.

If college men and women find it hard to "get along" after they graduate, it is reasonable to believe that this fault must be one of the educational "sore spots" so deplored by educators. The code of modern education has emphasized more than ever the necessity of bringing the outer world into the classroom, of connecting the threads of experience with the threads of knowledge, of encouraging the application of classroom learning to the problems of adjustment as they exist between student and student, student and instructor.

Skidmore has been confronted with the various phases of this problem for some time and has tried many expedients in an attempt to eradicate the trouble. By means of conferences, lectures, and recently the formation of a Co-operative Committee, it has made great strides in the right direction. With the aim of co-operation constantly stressed, wherein the student accepts her share of the responsibility for justifying the trust placed in her by the instructor, it is hoped that the New Year will bring many new and stimulating solutions for its own problems.

ABOUT OURSELVES

Being away from school, being with people who have forgotten their college days, makes one realize that college life is not the only life. If college weren't all important to us, if we could establish a relationship between college and the outside world, the adjustment of a graduate would be less painful.

We are terribly surprised when anyone disapproves of the college approved method of dancing. It is disconcerting to read a book of etiquette which entirely ignores the college student. It is quite outrageous to hear people laugh at girls who 'will' go to college. It seldom occurs to us that our world is not the superlative world. We can't believe that anyone would think of college people with anything but admiration. Is it then unreasonable that we can't understand why business men don't await job seeking graduates with open arms? Perhaps we would be wiser to realize that these men who refuse us may be a little annoyed to see us living in an utterly oblivious world, while the rest of the world sweats and struggles.

When we are able to discard our exaggerated idea of our own importance, when we are able to become sensitive to the presence of another and more serious world, very closely related to us, we won't have to moan about the cold, cold world. We will have accustomed ourselves to its frigidity by degrees. After all, these four years may either build up a marvelous and useless illusion for us which will deter our later progress in fine fashion, or they will develop a splendid, sound foundation, firmly based on reality, which will encourage success.

Miss Sheeran Attends Clothing Clinic in Syracuse, N. Y.

During the holidays Miss Margaret Sheeran of the Home Economics Department, attended the Clothing Clinic held in Syracuse, New York, December 28 and 29. This clinic was planned for the New York teachers of home economics and was the third in a year project plan of the N. Y. State Education Department. Miss Sheeran has brought back to Skidmore the latest secrets of the latest things. Her report so far has included many time-saving and unique ideas—best of all being the method of making Mr. Sewing Machine tie his own knots at the end of a seam and then being able to close-clip those aggravating threads. Other facts were also gleaned from the rich field of workers from such places as McCall Co., Butterick Co., Singer Sewing Machine, Cotton Textile Institute; Bemburg Co., Celanese Co., so that we are indeed indebted to the N. Y. Bureau of Education and to Miss Sheeran. Thus we are finding an increase in an already avid curiosity to know more about how and why we dress and about what others think, say and do.

President Roosevelt Addresses 73rd Congress Convening At Capitol

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economic co-operation projects. The cause of the delay in stabilization of the dollar was layed to the fact that "certain sister nations are not ready." A two-fold purpose was given for his gold purchasing policy, "to strengthen the whole financial structure, and to arrive eventually at a medium of exchange which will have over the years less variable purchasing and debt-paying power."

Returning to domestic problems, President Roosevelt said that the National Industrial Recovery Act has accomplished much. "It not only has put people back to work, but has organized industry with a greater understanding that reasonable profits can be earned while at the same time protection can be assured to guaranteed labor adequate pay and proper conditions of work." He believes that industrial progress and prosperity can be attained only by bringing the purchasing power of those dependent upon agriculture up to a level with other people. This will restore balance between all sections of the country.

President Roosevelt denounced unethical methods that have been pursued by some bankers and business men and those who have tried to evade the income tax law. In a second category, he assailed criminals and placed hope in the 21st Amendment predicting that it will "aid in the elimination of new forms of crime which arose under illegal traffic in liquor."

The judiciary was included in the branches of the government consolidating the New Deal and making "our economic and social structure capable of dealing with modern life. The President closed his address with a personal touch as follows: "Out of friendly contacts we have made, a strong permanent tie between the legislative and the executive branches of the government is being built. In this spirit we join once more in serving the American people."

To the Seniors!

Here are some practical uses for a cap and gown:

Cap:

- With proper motion of the head, the tassel makes a handy fly-swisher.
- May be used as a fish bowl with stationary bottom.

3. Or, as a wastebasket or ashtray.

4. Excellent for balancing books on the head.

5. To make the unintellectual look studious. (If this fails, study.)

Gown:

- Useful as a pen-wiper in exams.
- For a rain-coat; with detachable fur scarf, as an evening wrap.

3. As a winding sheet.

4. As a disguise.

5. To cancel avoidupois. (If this doesn't work, reduce.)

Mr. Stanley Saxton Gives 100th Organ Recital Monday

By RUTH WOOD

Three numbers of Mr. Saxton's first recital program at Skidmore were repeated in Monday's recital in College Hall, commemorating his one hundredth recital here.

Mr. Saxton's first number, "The Sonata in A Minor" by Mendelssohn, expresses a religious devotion and sincerity seldom found in organ sonatas, and Mr. Saxton's interpretation was sympathetic with the tone of the composition and handled admirably.

The delightfully charming "Eco" of Pietro Yon followed. There could have been no greater contrast between his first two selections as this double canon radiates a certain charm and deftness of execution.

The interpretation rendered by Mr. Saxton of Liszt's "Les Preludes" is assuredly commendable for it is one of the most difficult compositions to understand and one's reactions to it are apt to be mixed and introspective because the only guide to its meaning is the quotation from Lamartine's "Meditations Poetique":

"What is our life but a succession of preludes to that unknown song whose first solemn note is sounded by death? . . ."

His last two numbers Mr. Saxton chose from his first program at Skidmore—the "Will o' the Wisp" by Gordon B. Nevice, and the "Allegro from the Sixth Symphony" by Widor. The first of this group is a short, dainty scherzo, and the last "can only be described as truly noble organ music." Both were exceptionally well executed. Concluding the program Mr. Saxton played as an encore Cesar Franck's "Allegretta" from his Sonata for violin and piano. It was a lovely thing, interpreted artistically by Mr. Saxton.

"How can one's leisure time be employed to the best advantage?" is a problem that has been confronting the world with ever-increasing importance during the past few years. The economic depression has created a much greater necessity for a solution to the problem, and has caused the attention of psychologists, social workers, and recreation directors to be directed toward it with a more determined effort to reach some solution.

Nassau County on Long Island has, during the past six months, worked out and operated a plan of two-fold benefit to its residents. Using the county, and state relief funds as a source of revenue, the directors of the county unemployment relief bureau have set up an extensive recreation program which not only gives employment to hundreds of highly specialized teachers and recreation directors, but also offers to all county residents an opportunity to use their leisure time to participate in whatever recreational field that may interest them the most.

This recreational project includes programs so varied that almost any type of individual can find some interest. A concert group of well-trained musicians gives free recitals from time to time for those who feel unable to attend similar musical programs for which admission is charged.

"The Playground Players," a theatrical group of experienced professional actors, present well-known productions of varied types in the many small towns of the county, thus satisfying the theatrical tastes of those who would otherwise be unable to attend the theatre. In addition to these projects, the recreation department has organized athletic classes for men and women and has sponsored an athletic league for inter-town contests. Classes in sewing, carpentry, and arts and crafts work also play a large role in satisfying the human need for recreation, and in utilizing leisure time to the best advantage. The latest step has been the formation of weekly discussion groups to stimulate a wider interest in politics, social problems, and economic affairs.

All in all, this recreational project has taken a decided step toward the proper use of leisure time, and, at the same time, has developed more fully the previous steps in adult education.

CONGRESS Theatre

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dent, rather than to "stuff him full of information." On Wednesday evening, following an address on "Problems of Education" by George F. Zook, United States Commissioner of Education, a discussion group on "Curriculum Building and Political Education" was led by Dr. John H. McCracken of the American Council of Education. After the discussion, questions of interest to every student were answered by the Congress.

"Does the student find himself unprepared for what he finds chiefly in regard to"; (a) people—4 votes affirmative, (b) things—3 votes affirmative, (c) Industrial and Commercial progress—15 to 20 votes affirmative, (d) Duration and intensity of human wills and desires—15 to 20 votes affirmative.

"Is the purpose of a Liberal Arts College" (a) knowledge—no votes affirmative, (b) art of living—14 votes affirmative, (c) insight into values—15 to 20 votes affirmative.

"Should emphasis in education be laid upon teaching one" (a) How to make a living—4 votes affirmative, (b) How to live—15 votes affirmative, (c) Is a brain trust a good thing to have in a national government—majority affirmative.

Discussion groups on student government were held on Thursday morning. The question of contact of colleges with the outside world was stressed. On Friday the sessions were held on the campus of the American University. In the discussion of

the Honor System it was agreed that the ideal would be to have the meaning of honor clear in every student's mind, and then a system would not be needed.

On Saturday discussions were held on Students in National and International Affairs. The luncheon speaker was the Honorable Henry T. Rainey, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Miss Bodman said that she believed that the student delegates came away from the conference with a fuller realization of the need for closer connection between his or her campus and affairs outside the college walls."

What Price Knowledge

Now that vacation and the glamorous are a thing of the past, we must sink back into the dull, drab, bitter reality. Ah yes, exams are on their way and the midnight oil will be burning. Would that life were just one grand sweet song and that we might "eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die" and "tomorrow never comes!"

I will be the gladdest thing under the sun
When exams are over
And we can have fun.

I will look at papers and books with quiet eyes
I will lay me down to rest and never rise.

And when up from the office
Marks begin to come
I will mark which must be mine
And think—how dum!

E. S.

Skidmore Freshman Guest At Embassy During the Holidays

By LEYLA SEFA

Skidmore was very proud to have had a senior representative in Washington, D. C., during the Xmas vacation, but it seems that the freshmen were not neglected. One of their members was a guest in one of the Diplomatic circle's finest Embassies; at no less than the home of the Dean of the Diplomatic Corps—and we thought the "frosh" were a rather naive, unsophisticated lot! The round of holiday activities was climaxed by a luncheon at the Embassy for fourteen guests, given in honor of a distinguished Baroness and attended by diplomats of three Embassies. Our freshman, officiated in her role of a very dignified and charmed hostess. Finding herself seated between two gentlemen, neither of whom were well acquainted with our vernacular, the conversation might have turned to pantomine had not the international medium, French, been within a comprehensible range. (All you sophomores who intend to cast your die along diplomatic lines look to your languages!) The many wine and champagne glasses however, non-plussed our plebian who feared the outcome of such a metee upon a comparatively mild constitution. The main topic of conversation concerned foreign dishes and their preparation, where your hostess learned of many Polish and Mexican gastronomical delights. Of course, the young secretaries were all very much interested in one's debut. To quote, "It would be simply marvelous if you made your

debut in Washington. You could have a huge party here at the Embassy and we'd have jolly good fun." However, our "frosh" thinking of more advantageous methods of utilizing the same financial outlay necessary to a successful coming out party deferred from expressing any personal ideas but simply agreed that it would be jolly indeed.—Washington, says our "frosh," is one of the most diverting places provided one has access to front door entrances, for there may be found true internationalism.

To you is thus given in a small part an answer to the usual after holiday question. "How did you enjoy your vacation?" Miss Sheeran, of the Home Ec dept faculty would answer this question in a different way. She saw the behind-stage actions of clothing tradesmen which have so jealously guarded for a such a long time their secrets on crooked seams, queet-set hats, and clever collars—to say nothing of zippers, complicated sleeves, and even an "art of pressing."

Hither and Yon

Dear Ole Dartmouth

Those uncouth men from Dartmouth! 'Tis said that there was a time when one couldn't tell the difference between a man from Hanover and one from Princeton. But now it has become the tradition to shave but once a week, wear the dirtiest clothes possible, including corduroys, lumbermen's shirts, wind-breakers, and other articles of clothing discarded by the Salvation Army ('Tis hard to believe it of them when they look so smooth on week-ends—but then, who would dare to see some of us during the week?)—Williams Record.

Fashions

From the frigid atmosphere of Saratoga let's jump to the sunny South and see what goes on there.

Shorts are being worn at almost any time of the day. Several good-looking, and yet very practical models are (1) a one piece plaid outfit, (2) gray flannel shorts and blouse with a red tie and a gray flannel skirt, a white middy blouse with shorts and a skirt of dark green and white madras shirting.

Something new and tricky as far as combinations go is a sailor's dark jersey tucked into white knitted shorts.

We see the Tyrolean influence in shorts as well as elsewhere . . . here the shorts are of gray flannel, held up by sort of a suspender effect. A bright peasant blouse of linen is worn with this outfit.

Another attractive outfit consists of yellow linen shorts with a blouse half white and half yellow.

And now a glance at evening wear . . . printed challis makes perfect evening dresses for southern wear. A very charming one is shown at Altman's in white with a tiny design of royal blue flowers. The dropped shoulder sleeve is bordered with blue to match the flowers and the tiny blue buttons on the dress.

Hattie Carnegie shows a cool black evening dress embroidered with white. The back of the dress, which is extremely low, is topped by a collar of men's white tie pique. The lapels cross in front and tie in a large bow at the back.

But enough of this . . . away sunny South, and back to Skidmore, snow-drifts, and ski-pants!

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Renowned Celebrities Yield to Grim Reaper During the Past Year

(Continued from Page One)

Then were four actors, rather important ones in their day but now only names to most of us:

Arbuckle, Roscoe C. (Fatty), once popular film comedian, June 29, age 46.

Hale, Louise Closser, author and stage and movie actress. July 26, age 60.

Pickford, Jack, film actor and producer, brother of Mary Pickford. Jan. 3, age 36.

Sothorn, Edward Hugh, Shakespearean actor, son of Edward Asken Sothorn, English comedian and husband of Julia Marlowe. Oct. 28, age 73.

The others come from different walks of life and varied professions, but all are familiar to most newspaper readers at least.

Coffin, William Sloane, director of Metropolitan Museum of Art. Dec. 16, age 54.

Corbett, James J., actor and pugilist, won heavyweight championship from John L. Sullivan, Sept. 7, 1892, lost it to Bob Fitzsimmons March 17, 1897; died Feb. 18, age 66.

Curries, Gen. Sir Arthur, principal of McGill University, commanded Canadian forces in World War. Nov. 30, age 57.

Marshall, Edward, Cuban war correspondent, American correspondent of London Observer. Feb. 2, age 64.

Roper, William Winston, Princeton football coach. Dec. 10, age 53.

Sabin, Charles H., banker, Chairman of Guaranty Trust Company board. Oct. 10, age 65.

Turner, Captain William Thomas, commanded Lusitania which sunk with loss of 1,198 by German submarine U-20, commanded by Schwieger May 7, 1915. June 23, age 77.

Vanderbilt, William K. Jr., fatally injured in automobile accident. Nov. 15, age 26.

Van Dyke, the Rev. Dr. Henry, poet, essayist, American minister at Hague when World War broke out. April 10, age 80.

Hither and Yon

By DOT JOGGERST

The Seven Wonders of the World

Just a bit of general information. I wonder how many of us really know the Seven Wonders of the World? The generally accepted list is as follows: the Pyramids of Egypt, the Hanging Gardens of Semiramis at Babylon, the Temple of Diana at Ephesus, the Statue of Zeus by Phidias, the tomb of Mausolus, the Pharos (lighthouse) of Alexandria and the Colossus of Rhodes.—The Pathfinder.

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1. Bill of Divorcement
2. Christopher Strong
3. Cavalcade, by Noel Coward
4. Morning Glory
5. Reunion in Vienna
6. Today We Live
7. Song of Songs
8. Goldiggers of 1933
9. Footlight Parade
10. Dinner at Eight
11. Only Yesterday
12. Little Women
13. Romeo and Juliet with Katherine Cornell
14. Design for Living
15. Dancing Lady
16. Of Thee I Sing
17. Let 'Em Eat Cake
18. Music in the Air
19. Ah, Wilderness
20. Alice in Wonderland with Eva La Gallienne
21. The Lake with Katherine Hepburn
22. Roberta

POPULAR HITS

1. 20th Century Blues
2. Stormy Weather
3. Farewell to Arms
4. Night and Day
5. My Darling
6. Lazy Bones
7. Lyin' in the Hay
8. Down the Old Ox Road
9. Don't Blame Me
10. Sophisticated Lady
11. Pettin' in the Park
12. We're in the Money
13. Honeymoon Hotel
14. Black Moonlight
15. Peter Ibbetson
16. Paper Moon
17. Sweet Madness
18. Did You Ever See A Dream?
19. The Day You Came Along
20. Hold Your Man
21. Shadow Waltz
22. Headin' for the Last Roundup
23. Dancing Lady
24. Everything I Have Is Yours
25. My Temptation

LITERATURE

1. John Galsworthy: One More River
2. Hervey Allen: Anthong Adverse
3. Virginia Woolf: Flush
4. Dorothy Parker: After Such Pleasures
5. Elinor Wylie: Collective Works
6. Kathleen Norris: Angel in the House
7. Alice Hegan Rice: Mr. Pete & Co.
8. Pearl S. Buck: All Men Are Brothers
9. Harvey O'Connor: Mellon's Millions
10. Bess Streeter Aldrich: Miss Bishop
11. Stephen Vincent Benet: John Brown's Body
12. Jeffery Farnol: The Way Beyond

POPULAR SAYINGS

1. President Roosevelt: "Looking forward"
2. Walter Winchell: "Blessed event" and "f-f-f-t"
3. Ring Lardner: "You know me, Al"
4. Mae West: "Come up and see me" and "Beulah, peel me a grape"
5. Joe Penner: "Do you want to buy a duck?" and "You nasty man"
6. Ed Wynn: "Give me a horse, Graham"
7. Baron Munchausen: "Vas you dere, Charlie?"

Clippings

The parenthesis club, unique club at the New Jersey State Teacher's College, is only open to bow-legged men.

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A certain professor at Princeton, reputed to be the prize campus wit, was interrupted in his lecture one day by the appearance of a dog in his classroom. "Will someone kindly take the animal out," he asked. After a short pause during which he casually glanced over the class, he added, "After all, we have to draw the line somewhere."—Swarthmore Phoenix.

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Dr. L. L. Davison, Professor of Physics at St. Mary's University, Texas, has discovered that falling hair is caused by drinking water before going to bed.

PEN and BRUSH

By HILDA ROLFE

Many excellent exhibits in New York City offered opportunity for art enthusiasts during Christmas vacation. All varieties of art seemed to be on exhibition. Old masters' paintings were shown, and many modern artists displayed their work in galleries.

The Brummer Gallery on East 57th Street showed work of Brancusi, a modern French artist. Roger Vitrac says "In the image of his own sculpture, which is slender, glossy, as though destined to traverse space in all its elements, Brancusi, unconcerned with epochs, has traversed them all with the same tranquil faith, the same serenity. And this double parallel phenomenon enables us to ascertain even now, that his work will last, since it affirms both an immediate and permanent expropriation of time and space.

Brancusi participates in the modern spirit, that the pre-war period did not bother to define; that the war left temporarily undefined, but that our post-war critics have, alas, undertaken to kill by trying to give it a thousand different meanings. We have seen a whole people of artists and writers, with a few rare exceptions, pass through and be influenced by these three phases, surrendering to the most disappointing opportunism, according to the fashion, under pretext of evolution." All of Brancusi's work seems to be an expression of himself. He said that it was for the pure love of it that he did them, and the pieces do look as though the artist thoroughly enjoyed himself.

The Fifteen Gallery on 57th Street showed an exhibition of water colors by Pepper. The paintings were vivid, striking, and well composed. An unusual portrait of a woman called the "Tropical Sun" was shown here. It was a water color done by Scheidecker.

Etchings by Mary Cassett and paintings by Monet, Andre, and Derain, were shown at the Durand Ruel Gallery. The French artists were particularly interesting in their work and were quite different from the French artist mentioned above, Brancusi.

An unusual etching which was shown at Keppel and Company, was a combination of two famous artists' work. The etching consisted of a large church in the background with many, many people in the foreground. The building was done by one artist by the name of Arms, and the figures were done by another artist by the name of Ely.

For a very modern art enthusiast, the Pierre Matisse Gallery had something to show. It was an exhibit of Jean Lureat's work. The paintings were so very unusual that it took a while to get used to such work.

The most unusual, the most interesting, and the most historical of all the shows I visited was that of the manuscripts shown at the New York Public Library. They were ancient manuscripts which have been recovered and put on exhibition for the public to see.

Clippings

A student in the art department at Michigan State College has created a new type of Christmas greeting card stamped from linoleum cuts and giving the card the appearance of a woodcut print.

Scientists of Harvard, Toronto, and other universities are busy in Cambridge studying through a microscope the photographs of more than 700 Leonids taken during the recent Leonid shower, with a view to discovering, if possible, the elements of the star dust.

President George Thomas of the University of Utah took from the University's Sparks Club, organization for the study of economic and political theories, its charter on the grounds that it had no right under the charter to make an official trip to Carbon County, Utah, to study conditions in the coal fields where there recently was a strike.

Detroit University has an enrollment of 77 men and 3543 women.

From Santa Monica Junior College exam papers: A taxidermist is a kind of thick fog, a toreador is a really bad storm; pooling—a practice indulged in by young men about town.

Gleanings

Professor George H. Barton, 81, of the Harvard University geology department died in the class-room last week.

An Arabic manuscript of the Koran, hand lettered on parchment, has been given to the library of Adelbert College of Western Reserve University.

Six-footers among the men students at the University of Maryland are rejoicing over the installation of a number of extra-length beds in the men's dormitories.

Clyde Devine, center on the Oregon State eleven, played through seven games without giving away to a substitute or calling for time out.

Lawson Robertson, Penn track coach, advocates reducing football teams to nine men by eliminating the guards.

Vegetables packed for Byrd's Antarctic expedition have been dehydrated by a special process developed at the University of Southern California.

President Neilson of Smith, formerly a Harvard professor, claims that college men lack mature understanding of art and literature because they spend so much time developing their bodies.

"The only requirement made of an applicant for admission to college should be, 'You must have shown yourself intellectually proficient at something,'" says acting-President Edward Elery of Union College in a recent article in the New York Times.

An examination at the University of Mississippi asked for the principle parts of any Latin verb. Upon one paper was written: "Slippeo, slipere, falli, bumpus." The returned paper had these words: "Falio, failere, functo, suspendum."

About this time it is a consolation to know that Lindbergh flunked out of the University of Wisconsin; Dr. W. J. Mayo, of the Mayo Clinic, flunked out of the University of Michigan medical school; and Stewart Edward White and Franklin P. Adams were likewise given their walking papers from the S. L. A. college of the same institution during their freshman years.

The president of the University of Southern California says that a college freshman has only about one-half the vocabulary of the common laborer. "Swell," he says, "is used to describe 4972 situations."

The University of Maine offers a course in ice cream making. The school is located in the heart of a dairy country where ice cream is one of the important products.

At the University of Nevada, seniors only are privileged to wear sombreros and mustaches.

Robert Cline and Curtis Rogers, editor and business manager of the Wolverine, Michigan State College yearbook, have enacted a self-salary cut to make possible the printing of the 1934 book which has been suffering from lack of subscriptions.

A new system of debating at Georgia Tech, that of open forum discussions, has heightened interest in debating and increased attendance at debates.

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NSFA Radio Speaker Traces Race Conflicts

New York, N. Y. (NSFA)—"Nothing appeals so much to the most primitive instincts of man as an appeal to his race, for the race is the strongest expression of the group instinct, and is bound together with the mystery which surrounds birth, and which gave rise always to theological and mythological speculation," said Dr. Hans Kohn, author, lecturer, and noted authority on the problems of nationalism and racial questions, in a recent radio address under the auspices of the National Student Federation. "Even today, theological and mythological speculations are clinging to all discussions about race. Ancient philosophers overcame this primitive race mythology by the creation of the conception of philanthropia, the Greek word for love of your fellow-men or humanity, a word which is the origin of our word philanthropic, or humanitas, the Latin word for humanity, which meant both a human relation and a humane relation of man toward man. Christianity went a step further; it did not recognize the natural man as he was born into his race, be he Greek or Jew, but only the spiritual man reborn by Christ."

Tracing the history of the race theory from the Greek and Roman empires and the early years of Christianity through the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, Dr. Kohn pointed out the revival of Aristotle's belief in the inequality of the human races in the writings of the Frenchman, Count Gobineau, whose theories were not popular in France but were in Germany.

"One of the most important elements of all theories of race inequality is that they are always produced by the members of the race which believes itself superior, and these theories are therefore very flattering to the people on whose behalf they are set forth," Dr. Kohn continued. They are meeting one of the elemental weaknesses of the human makeup.....Race conflicts do not become acute until the race kept in the inferior position is animated by the tendency to change its status and to strive for equality with the race deemed superior. We witness today a world-wide movement of this kind. Fifty years ago the world accepted the supremacy of the white race without question. Today the spread of education and of modern technical equipment throughout the world, the bringing together of all human races by the new rapid means of communication and transportation, have destroyed forever this unquestioned order, and have introduced a new, dynamic element which makes itself felt not only in the revolt all over Asia, about which Mr. Fenner Brockway addressed you last week, but as well in similar movements for political and social emancipation outside of Europe which have reached their crises during the past few years in all Latin American republics, where even the long silent and suffering Indian race is awakening to a claim of its due position in its own ancient lands.

"There is a great forward movement on the part of all the non-white races which we called, only a few years ago, backward races, and who are today trying hard, and sometimes, as Japan proves, very successfully, to adopt for themselves the cultural and social standards of the white race. They strive not only for political emancipation but for a social advancement of their masses to participate in the program of humanity toward a better world.....Liberalism believes that man can be changed and improved by education and by social influences, race theory believes that a man has to continue as he was born. Therefore race theories in the present form are not only dangerous for world peace and humanity at large, but as theories of despair bid us to accept man and races as they are and to give up every idea of their improvement. The theory of racial inequality will therefore not only precipitate us into endless race conflicts, but make every human effort to create a new world futile!"

A student of the University of Königsburg, Kurt Schmidt, holds the new endurance record for gliders of 36 hours 25 minutes. To keep a motorless aircraft in the air for more than a full day and a half surely bespeaks flying skill of the highest type.—NSFA



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Library Statistics

No one who is not an habitual user of the library can possibly conceive how many reserve books are given out each day or how many people enter its doors for some purpose of other. The increase noted from year to year is astounding!

In November 1932 the library was open for the same number of days as in 1933. However, in the later year with a smaller enrollment, 2,000 more reserve books were used. The average number given out per day in November 1932, was only 260 compared to an average of 345 in 1933. The highest number of books given out in one single day in 1932 was 365 and in 1933, 520. The total circulation for this same 9,211 in 1932. December shows the month was 12,951 in 1933 and only same proportionate gain.

The total attendance for November 1932 was 11,196 which increased to 13,714 in 1933. The average rate per day this year was 518 students in comparison to 431 last year. Mrs. Hobbie asserted that the attendance estimates were necessarily low for the librarians were much too busy to keep correct count. Nevertheless, they are rather surprising.

One Sunday afternoon this fall during the 165 minutes that the library was open 242 people came in. Most of these desired some service at the desk so it is easily seen how busy the librarians in charge were kept.

In the 4 years that Mrs. Hobbie has been at Skidmore the circulation and attendance of the library has more than doubled, which shows the increased importance that it plays in school life. Less textbooks are being used and more reference work substituted. The student is allowed to follow his individual interests and as a result of this new trend in education,

Discrimination Against Students In Germany Opposed

New York, N. Y. (NSFA)—According to an announcement from the Secretary, the Annual Council Meeting of the National Union of South African Students held last June, went on record with the following resolution as opposing racial discrimination against German students: "That this council of the N.U.S.A.S. expresses its regret at the dismissal of members of university staffs and the treatment of student minorities in Germany owing to racial reasons, as being contrary to the academic freedom associated with university institutions."

Gleanings

Four students at Miami University, Ohio, including the star quarterback of the football team, recently registered for a course in home economics, evidently fortifying themselves in advance for lean days after becoming bachelors. They will cook their own suppers at least one night a week, and will receive two hours credit for the course.—NSFA

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Wellesley girls have taken up smoking in a big but ever feminine way. The habit is even considered quite the studious thing to do; very cute too. Picture one of Wellesley's best reclining in an armchair, pipe in tooth, book in hand, sending circles of smoke into the air. A smaller pipe has even been put on the market expressly for the female smoker. (Wonder who will be the first to start the same around here?)—The Williams Record.

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