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## Lyons Analyzes Russian Policies And Nationalism

Editor of American Mercury Says Russian Alliance Precipitated War

First American reporter to interview Stalin after he became head of the Soviet Union, present editor of the *American Mercury*, and announcer on New York radio station WMCA, Eugene Lyons explained the "Happenings Inside Russia Today," at the opening college assembly on October 3.

"Russia precipitated the present war," said Mr. Lyons, "by making a pact with Germany, and once the Western Front was mobilized, war became inevitable."

"Over and above ideology and philosophy, there are physical things which remain permanent regardless of outside happenings," Mr. Lyons explained to the group, and cited several past and present examples which are parallels. One finds in the modern Russia that the ideas, attitudes and policies under the Czar still remain.

The present collective farming system is comparable to feudal farming in the reign of Ivan the Terrible, for the Russian farmer today has the same compulsions which the serf had. This parallelism may further be noted by observing Russia's desire today for Estonia and Latvia as a way to the Baltic sea, and by recalling the attempts of former Czars to secure this territory which formerly belonged to Russia.

The present conflict between Russia and Great Britain, said Mr. Lyons, is due to the Trans-Siberian Railroad, a "pistol pointed at the heart of India." An added factor in this conflict is the strong economic competition between the two countries, and the resulting tension in regard to control over the Near East, Far East, and the Baltic Sea.

On the other hand, Russia has gained much by investing with Germany. She has secured a large fresh water outlet to the Baltic sea, has exerted over Turkey a sphere of influence, and had in Germany a buffer state, because no country can attack Russia without first going through Germany.

Russia's diplomatic and political attitude is to keep Europe divided. Stalin attempted this during the Spanish revolution, however, his effort failed.

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## U. S. Allotted Role of Savior In Present War

Opening the second college Vespers of the year Sunday evening, October 8, was the Reverend Howard L. Stimmel of Hoosick Falls, New York, as guest speaker.

A reference to a Pulitzer prize cartoon depicting the futility of war which appeared two years back brought up the question which is being asked everywhere throughout America today — Will the United States be able to stay out of this war?

"What is clear," said the Reverend Stimmel, "is that the American people do not want war. We remember 1914 and how we went into that war idealistically 'to have the world for democracy', but there are some of us now who do not propose to be fooled a second time the same way."

One of the soundest reasons for not taking part in this war is the utter futility of war. Any consequences which might come about could not be good for it could not help but increase hostilities and evils in the world today. As soon as the United States enters this battle we would become a totalitarian state. No longer would we have free speech, but modern warfare would have free swing.

"Upon cessation of hostilities we could not revert to our democratic way of living because of a positive contribution which America may be able to make to the future of the world if we stay out. When the conflict stops we will need courage to deal with the problems of a broken world. If we stay out now we shall be better able to meet those problems when the time comes."

Each individual Christian must know that war for us would be wrong. It is not fair for us to sit by now and blame Hitler when we forget to blame ourselves for not joining the League of Nations. We were not fair to Germany when, after the last war, we stopped the instruction of German in our schools and did all that we could to stamp out anything German.

"We have been told that we were too lenient then but we must not stamp out Germany now for the country of Schiller, Bach, Beethoven, and Hegel is not dead. There is still science, art, religion, and philosophy in Germany, but she, (Continued on Page Four)

## Faculty Members Travel On Continent and in U. S.

Now that we of the student body have hashed and rehashed our lengthy vacations, let's turn to the faculty and see how some of them passed the summer season. The war threat of early September sent those who went to Europe home a bit earlier than anticipated, but they had a wonderful time in spite of this. Miss Hysham and Miss Warren travelled together to England, and there pursued their individual interests, studying at Oxford. Miss Hysham restricted herself to bicycling about Oxford, while Miss Warren covered more ground, spending time at Cambridge, Boston, and Lincoln.

Miss Torrence is still very thrilled about her European trip this summer. She took a cruise boat which stopped at unusual ports such as the Azores, Lisbon, and Portugal. She found one experience when she stopped at a Spanish port in the first boat to enter the city since the end of the war, unforgettable. The sight of the war-ridden population, in filth and poverty was tragic. The purpose of her trip was to see and absorb as much of Italian art as she could in the month she allotted to be spent there. She accomplished her purpose and will have tangible evidence of her travels for us to see when she gives an exhibition in the near future of the beautiful things she bought. Miss Torrence spent some time in Paris and another faculty member, Miss McCrea of the Art Department,

spent a good deal of the summer in France.

Apparently we left something of ambition in a great many of our instructors, for there was a large number who studied. Miss Pease, Miss Moshier, and Senorita Araujo took a westward trip together to California. There Senorita Araujo studied Spanish at the University of Southern California. Miss Pease and Miss Moshier studied Life and Painting respectively. They completed the trip with a visit to the San Francisco exposition. Mrs. Akeley studied at Harvard, as did Miss Weigand of the Science Dept.

Miss Storm continued to pursue her artistic interests, finding inspiration at Gaspe Peninsula. Evidently her paintings were very successful, for several of them are on exhibit in New York. Miss Berger, never tiring of her role as nurse, was in the anesthesia ward of the Yale University Hospital in New Haven.

The surprising faculty events of the summer were made by faculty members who, for the most part, have not returned this year. We'll begin with the exception, Miss Borneman, who was married and is still teaching at Skidmore. Miss Barker, Miss Morehead, and Miss Johnson (Johnnie) were also married and have now settled down to happy domestic life. The busiest faculty member of all was Miss Walker, who attended all of the weddings!

President Henry T. Moore was a member of the Nominating Committee for the Association of Colleges and Universities of the State of New York. The annual meeting of the Association was held October 6th and 7th at the Lake Mohonk Mountain House, Mohonk Lake, at which time the report of the committee was made. President Dixon Ryan Fox of Union College is President of the Association of Colleges and Universities.

## Eileen Holding Talks On Design At First Exhibit

From the 9th to the 23rd of October, there will be an exhibition in the Hathorn Studio of Modern Designs collected by Miss Eileen Holding. They represent the work of prominent American and European designers of today. We have invited Miss Holding herself a well-known English painter and designer, to attend this first opening of the Gallery and speak to us on Contemporary Industrial Design. She had some of her work in the group of abstract painting shown here last year.

Everyone is invited, whether an art or chemistry student, and there'll be an informal discussion group, where Miss Holding will answer our questions—and then some refreshments (served very proudly from our new kitchenette in the gallery).

## Student Nurses Of Junior Class Are Given Caps

Mary McClellan Ceremony Is Principal Event of Junior Year

The "Capping" service held in connection with the Nursing course offered jointly by Skidmore College and the Mary McClellan Hospital in Cambridge, N. Y., under the supervision of Miss Agnes Gelinias, was held at Florence Nightingale Hall, Cambridge, on Saturday evening, September 30th.

A feature of the program was a paper, the "Status Quo" of Nursing, with "Desiderata" of the Future, by Miss Margaret A. Schwem of West Charlton, N. Y., one of the honor students of the course now in her senior year.

The caps are presented to the students who have finished the required two years at Skidmore on courses basic to nursing—Biology, Chemistry, Psychology, Nutrition, English and Nursing, who are now entering upon two and half years of training at the hospital, which has no other student nurses. Their first contacts are with medical, surgical and obstetric patients in the wards and out-patient department, with well infants, children and adults in homes of patients.

Those students receiving caps were: Eleanor Baldwin, Yolanda Campoli, Janet Cross, Dorothea V.

## "News" Recruits Editorial Staff And New Writers

Tonight, at 7:00 Skidmore News will hold its first meeting of the year in the Social Science Building. At that time several members of the staff will address those who have never before worked on the paper.

This year for the first time in recent years News is attempting to appoint its editorial staff to the type of work they are best fitted to do. Each new girl will be asked to write three different types of articles. These will include a straight news story, a feature and an editorial. This is in no way a competition. The idea is to find each worker's forte so that she will in the future receive assignments only in the type of writing she does best.

The small staff which heads News is unfortunately unable to assist the inexperienced writer to do acceptable work in all fields. However, tonight there will be a short lecture by one of the staff outlining the most important principles of newswriting.

All freshmen and upperclassmen who have never before written for Skidmore News are required to attend. Although those who have been writing regularly for News have not been asked to come, they are welcome.

Riding Club will sponsor its annual Gymkhana at the Oklahoma track next Saturday, October 14, at 2:00 o'clock. A program has been planned which will include a trotting race and a relay race between classes. Besides the usual games, jumping will provide plenty of laughs for the spectators. Tickets for the event may be obtained from members of the Riding Club or they can be bought at the track. Admission will be ten cents.

Fortmann, Mildred Herridon, Susanne Imlay, Mary C. Lewis, Ruth W. Mook, Evelyn Neigh, Elizabeth Hanehan and Mary E. Phillips.

During the fourth year the students take psychiatric nursing at the Psychiatric Institute in New York, tuberculosis nursing at the Metropolitan Sanatorium, Mt. Mc-

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## Language Head, Dr. T. R. Bowie Is New Arrival

A Student of Drama, Music and Language, Mr. Bowie Enjoys Skidmore

This year Dr. Theodore R. Bowie, associate professor of Romance Languages, replaces Miss Hulbert as head of that Department. Born in the Orient, Dr. Bowie has spent some nine years in France; he is a Californian, and studied at the University of California at Berkeley, where he received his A.B., M.A., and Ph.D. He has done research work at Harvard and in Paris on the relations between French literature and the arts.

At the University of California and at Ohio State, Dr. Bowie, aside from teaching French, produced and directed numerous plays, both in French and in English. Art, music and drama are his principal interests. He was for one year in charge of the Art Gallery of the University of California. This activity led him to undertake some special work at the Fogg Museum in Cambridge.

More than a "scraping" knowledge of Italian, Spanish and German is denied by Dr. Bowie. He maintains that like any other human being he likes candy, ice cream and pie, and enjoys being applauded. As he has spent most of his life in California and on the Riviera he has never had the opportunity to ski, but he "may be talked into taking it up this winter." The "New Yorker," "Time," and "Life" are his favorite magazines, his book interests are numerous and varied. He professes an interest in cooking steaks and in making salads.

"It is a blessed relief to be in a small college where there is some breathing space," says Dr. Bowie, coming from two of the largest universities in the country. He admires Skidmore's "friendly spirit and the senior cap and gown custom." In the co-ed college he has found that the average girl is usually better than the average boy student. "There is less opportunity for girls to waste time at a girls' college." "Or is there?" he added, on second thought.

He doesn't believe that he has any political opinions "worth expressing." However, he doesn't "expect the world to go to the dogs" (Continued on Page Three)

## Late Lamented Seniors Find Cold World Quite Temperate

We heard of several 1939'ers the other day who are working in the proverbial cold, cold world, and, although the following list is not complete, you'll get an idea of who's doing what.

Two of our illustrious alumnae are on the faculty of the Northampton (Mass.) School for Girls, namely, Catherine King, who teaches in Fine Arts and Marjorie Hewes, who has classes in French and Speech. Alison Littell and Margaret Stroup also teach Fine Arts, the former in Manlius, New York; the latter in Luzerne, New York.

Those teaching Physical Education are: Katherine Averill, Westbrook Junior College in Maine; Helen Coburn, Hannah Moore Academy in Reisterstown, Maryland; Marjorie Kirk, Low-Heywood School; Emily Pattison, Marlboro, New York; and Alleyne Williams, Nunda. Edith Cosgrove does apprentice teaching of Physical Education at St. Agnes in Albany, and Anna King is also an apprentice at the University of New Hampshire.

Peg Filson is an instructor of Nursing Arts at St. Luke's, New York. Betty Snedecor teaches Home Economics at Montrose, New York. Jeanne Gorton and Jane

Meagher are both apprentices — Jeanne in Great Neck and Jane in Binghamton.

Ellen Dohig teaches in Bristol and Ella Lane is at Westbrook Junior College. Both teach music.

Those doing secretarial work are: Elizabeth Bishop, who is with Coyle and Mead, New York; Barbara Childs, Hartford, Connecticut; Jane Cooper, with the Standard Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio; Dorothy Hobbs, National City Bank of New York; Edith Moxley in Schenectady with General Electric Company, and Ann Delaney, working for Dr. Embro, Harvey Company in Saratoga.

Dorothy Compter is at Altman's in New York. Betty Cone worked during the summer at Howland's in Bridgeport, and Elizabeth Hefin is in Newark working for Bambergers. Barbara Lord is in Boston at White's and Charlotte Applebaum works for Lord & Taylor. All do merchandising. Betty Birge is with her father in the furniture-interior decoration business.

Lucy Canning is student dietitian at the Penn General Hospital, in Philadelphia, and Mary Alice Green was at the New York Hospital. In February she will go to Montefiori. Ruth Shaffer is with (Continued on Page Four)

## Campus Confused by Sisters, Twins; Bibs Are a Blessing

The pride of every college is its freshman class. And within this year's class are many whose lives have been quite different from any Skidmore student in the past.

Among these interesting personalities is Elaine Lindo from Panama. Elaine is a person who combines characteristics of Panama and the United States, with a dash of old Spain. Whenever Spain is mentioned, however, she hastily explains: "I'm not Spanish; I am of Spanish descent, yes, but I'm not Spanish." Of one thing we are certain—she does speak Spanish. Like her mother and father who were educated in America, Elaine went to Northfield Seminary. Strangely enough, her grandfather, who aided Panama in its fight for independence was also an American citizen. However, to use Elaine's words, "My cousins are Panamanians."

From Cenovanas, Puerto Rico, comes Helen Cochran. Helen, too, went to school here, in Kansas City. Needless to say she speaks Spanish very fluently though she is of Scotch rather than Spanish descent.

### Two Sets of Twins

Two colorful students who will surely muddle and confuse the fac-

ulty are the Blood twins, Margery and Louise. Their marked resemblance made Margery sigh: "It's awful at dances!" The twins room together, have identical clothes, (here's a tip, they don't wear them at the same time) are crazy about sports, and are taking similar courses.

The Sears twins, Barbara and Sylvia, have the unique distinction of being "individual" twins. They don't room together because, "We've roomed together all our lives." They don't even dress alike and are taking entirely different courses. However, they do have one distinguishing mark as twins—they look alike.

This year the ranks of Skidmore sisters have greatly increased. Most of the new sisters followed family tradition in their choice of a college; one, after looking at several colleges decided that Skidmore was tops, while still another had firm intentions of going elsewhere on her own but became homesick for Skidmore after she had visited here. The sisters include Reneto Tornello, Marie Hanson, Barbara Green, Jean Marschalk, Mary-Elizabeth Walker, Kay Abrams, Ruth Pulver, Norma Crosier, Bernice Appelbaum and Virginia Rathbun.

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## A Skidmore Policy is on the Scales

Those of us who regretted the introduction of freshman hazing last year may be interested to learn of the unfortunate publicity that has come of it.

The October *Mademoiselle* features a double page article (with pictures) on hazing commencing with the following "Freshman hazing, that doubtful blessing and diminishing campus custom of a few years ago, still has its staunch supporters at some of our women's colleges and co-educational universities." It then goes on to state that "Freshman-Sophomore day at Skidmore brings out the Hitler in every Sophomore and Freshmen have twenty-one 'musts' to remember all day" following with some of the typical orders.

While it is true that we have never called that one day of Sophomore sport "hazing" *Mademoiselle* and apparently others, did. We feel that that one day violates one of Skidmore's primary policies. We have always been considered a progressive college and it does seem regrettable that we should so recently have adopted such a childish, out-moded practice.

The article in *Mademoiselle* closes with a report from Connecticut College for Women who would like to "drop the whole business of initiation and give the Freshmen a whopping big party instead." Even with our increased enrollment something of the sort could be arranged here. Stunts and games for individual participants could result in as much if not more fun for everybody.

Certainly the class of '42 will not be content to ask the Freshmen to do the same things that they did last year. So while they are expending their originality on a new list they might give some thought to a different type of Freshman-Sophomore Day that will more truly reflect the spirit of Skidmore.

## Propaganda: Stop, Look and Listen

In conjunction with other college journalists we feel little like writing the typical happy-welcome, we've-a-good-year-ahead type of editorial of other years. When we listen to a speaker or read the front page of the paper, we are either violently incensed or develop a why-bother attitude.

Neither is a healthy frame of mind. The first blocks clear thinking and the second forestalls any thinking at all. However, since college students are the potential leaders of a country we must force ourselves to think clearly, weighing the information we receive. In connection with this we should like to quote from the Providence Sunday Journal part of an article on propaganda:

"Propaganda is opinion.

When you hear opinion ask:

Who expresses it?

Why?

What are his motives?

What are the motives of the people who influenced him?"

During these first two weeks of college we have already heard two widely divergent opinions on our part in the European situation. One man felt that we are already in the war—that it is only a question of time before we send men. Another expressed confidence that our participation is not inevitable, that there is something we can do.

These speakers are only a preview of the verbal bombardment that is to come. We must prepare ourselves by preventing our minds from acting as a sponge absorbing good and evil alike. Because we realize that this is no easy task we have tried to give some small help in the questions reprinted above.

## Interest + Criticism = A Better NEWS

Since it is customary for a paper to publish its policies in the first issue of the year we shall make an effort to outline some of our half-formed ideas at this time.

Ours is a mild sort of plan. We have no desire to stir up animosity in any quarter. Obviously our opinions will not always coincide with yours; you may find something to dispute on this very page. Our intent, however is not to destroy, but to make your Wednesday afternoons a trifle more interesting, to make you think about our ideas, to bring forth suggestions from you, if possible.

We feel that we have the mechanics of the paper well in hand. The front page will be the best we know how to make it. The organization of the editorial staff is already beginning to seem efficient and orderly. But that is not all there is to putting out a paper. It is the college that makes the news. We only write it.

When there is no news the paper is of necessity dull and unstimulating. Both College Government Association and the Administration have shown much willing co-operation in letting *News* have information in advance that we are unconcerned about any shortage of material. We shall do our best to write interestingly. Your part involves reading and commenting on our efforts.



The Freshmen with their oilcloth bibs  
Are pictures of repose;  
While Seniors go quite cross-eyed  
At their tassel-tickled nose.

## VANITY FAIR

We are accustomed to turning to the Seniors for advice and watching them conscientiously to set examples. However this is one time when we may take their advice but not follow their example. We meekly turn to our little Freshman sisters for our college fashion plates for the year '39—Seniors sporting almost exclusively '36 models.

### Fewer Saddle Oxfords

Starting from the bottom and working up we find their feet clad, not in sloppy saddles that have weathered many a storm, but in soft kids laced at the sides, thick-soled moccasins of buckskin with stitching of contrasting colors, also dressy suede pumps—the new ones have yummy fur trimming at the top. Socks are soft and woolly in lovely warm shades that really match. However socks are going up—when last seen on a few daring individuals they had reached the knees. When winter comes they'll be universally accepted!

### Skirts Going Up

Socks and stocks are not the only things rising. Skirts have become still shorter, full, plaited or gored in smooth plaids and bright woolsens. Snug hipped and flare skirted velvets and corduroys will be used for more than skating this year.

### Sweaters Going Down

The new crop of cardigans are long and boxy, drooping below the hips with the bottom button nonexistent. With skirts shorter and sweaters longer we expect to complete the cycle until some morning we wake up and discover that they have developed into dresses again.

Freshmen have shown us the smoothest of the smooth in their tea, or should we say date, dresses. Soft crepes with shirring at the waist or bustle skirts, reminiscent of olden days. Again velvets and mellow woolens worn with unusual and interesting jewelry.

Reversibles slip into the limelight showing manly, built-up shoulders and roomy hoods that are the only adequate protection against Saratoga rains. The reverse side of plaids, checks or tweeds serve as an all-purpose sport coat.

Also seen are dressy black reefers, tweed box coats with the back vent, reversibles with heavy lamb's wool lining that can be zipped right in for those cold damp days. Leading the sports hats are pork pies (and we don't mean pot roasts) made of felt or corduroy in brilliant and sombre hues.

Yes, the class of '43 has neglected nothing. They have shown us what clothes to wear and how to wear them—May they never change!

## Don't Let Yourself Down

This week we overheard an upperclassman speaking of one of her friends who had just graduated from college last June. The friend is working now and liking her work but is just a little bit mixed up too. She says that she is anxious to have the time pass so she can get into the swing of things. "Frankly," she writes, "I wish I were nearer to home so I could get on solid ground once in a while for right now I feel rather up in the air most of the time."

We sort of suspect that many Freshmen may feel pretty much the same as she does. Ever since you first arrived on campus you have been swamped with new faces, new sights, and new situations.

No sooner were you into your rooms and half settled than you began to think about courses and who to see about what. No doubt somewhere during the space of those first few days one strange face peered in to tell you about "the fine educational section of the Times," while a few minutes later another new face came back with, "But the Tribune has the funnies!"

And before you had time to wonder you rushed to meetings with your advisors and the days after that you were kept busy with freshman teas. When they were over classes had begun and it was time for you to settle down to real work and here you are!

Then the first Sunday you went to Vespers and were impressed with the true beauty and fine thought of the service. You listened to Reverend Noble tell all of us, "Know yourself, for it's you that you cannot let down."—and you thought of how very much those words could mean to you at the beginning of your days at Skidmore.

All of us think of those words and each one of us has a meaning for them. We want to know ourselves and we want to know what it is we want as a part of our living. One of the things we do know is that we want to know you. Skidmore is a friendly place and we don't want any of you to feel sort of up in the air at any time for we want you to find your solid ground right here with us.

## SKIDMORONIA

Hello, hello, we're glad to be back with you, start off the year with resolutions, and guarantee not to wear knee length socks. Well-begun-half-done so we've decided to let you in on our editorial policy. This will eliminate all undergraduates, faculty and subscribers from our circle of readers and leave only the proof-girls who work Monday nights in the News room. It is they whom we aim to please.

Our negative policy runs thus: We will not tell old jokes such as the one about the freshmen who wouldn't pay the blanket tax because she brought her two puffs from home (that was our freshman year and every year since).

We won't mention obvious facts like the weather and how much peanut butter is consumed weekly in Skidmore Hall dining room. We won't tell you who is about to develop an interest in the World Series because someone else is. And we refuse to tell you which senior is definitely announcing her engagement soon. And we won't be liable for anything because we won't use names and we won't tell

you who we are. So there! That's our negative attitude.

On the other hand (end quote), we will listen carefully to all loud conversations in area, smoking rooms, etcetera. We will polish the apple early, brush our teeth twice a day, and go to bed late. All coming events of social and academic importance we will try to foreshadow. (What big band is soon to make an appearance on campus along with a boom in Western Union stock?) We will try to have this column in before the deadline! Truthfully, that's all we can think of without being hypocritical. Please address all complaints to Editor in Charge of Errors. We do want to tell you what you want to know.

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Overheard tonight: A freshman had eight dates in as many days and never mentioned them in bull sessions. Sophomoric telegram stating invitation to All-College with T. N. T., screwball, and Jones Beach puzzling willing W. U. operator. Greek letters hinting at houseparty-time.

Ho hum. Poor old senior without a lovin' man.

## As We Go To Press

By Nancy Edick

Peace or War? It looks as though the democracies now have a chance to give us peace, but it would be one based on Hitler's terms and promises which we curiously enough hesitate to accept. Conservative Britain sees no hope for restored Polish and Czech states while Hitler warns that Hitlerism cannot be removed from the face of the earth. Suggestions that Roosevelt act as a mediator have so far met with cool indifference at the White House. The world waits for Britain's answer!

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The trump card. Many are wondering if Hitler has played his last card by allying himself with Russia. Instead of being a meek assistant in a war of "taking all", Russia seems to be taking the Lion's share of spoils and exercising a little imperialism on the side. Estonia and Latvia have gone on the block so far; will Lithuania be next?

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Who is sinking the Iroquois, due to dock on Wednesday, with a capacity list of war-trapped passengers and regular crew? German notification of its danger has sent a U. S. convoy scurrying to the ship while varying reports say that England, France or Germany may sink the ship. The captain reports that a thorough search has revealed no explosives aboard. If the ship reaches port, and it seems that she will, what was the point behind Grand Admiral Erich Raeder's pompous warning? We question its success as propaganda.

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Debate in Congress seems to have reached a standstill as the question remains whether we shall have the embargo or "cash-and-carry" or repeal with a short-term credit provision, neutrality law. The test vote, scheduled for Tuesday, will tell the story whether isolationist Borah's "olive branch" for the inclusion of a cash instead of a credit proviso in the repeal bill will be accepted. If not, repeal or the present neutrality act seem to have an equal chance.

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Rome-Berlin axis seems to be on "thin ice" at present with Hitler's announcement that southeastern Europe, supposedly an Italian sphere of influence, will be settled by Hitler and Stalin. With Hitler's speaking of the Italo-German pact as "ideally and politically the closest," Italians see the end of their military obligations. Will Mussolini be seeing eye to eye with the democracies soon?

Legally dead is Richard Haliburton, famed author of the "Royal Road to Romance," and a world-wide traveler. A jury verdict has declared that the Chinese junk Sea Dragon from which Haliburton was last heard was destroyed by a typhoon with no survivors. What an appropriate death for the dare-devil traveler and writer.

## Social News

While most of us were just beginning to feel settled in Saratoga, there were others who felt the urge to travel, and scattered far and wide. To top off the list, some forty or fifty Freshmen traveled to Schenectady for a Union football game, followed by dinner and dancing.

Quite a few went home—Bobsie Haines for a wedding, others just because they wanted to go. These were: Margaret Magner, Sally Peebles, Doris Shults, Jean Surdam, Elena Arnstein, Mary Haigh, Ruth Sacks, Elizabeth Branion, Eunice Edwards, Margery Blood, Sue Cohen, Ann Mills, Barbara Coren, Audrey Foote, Virginia Nellis and Bernice Egger. Judith Lehman went along with Sue Cohen to Albany.

Grace Brons visited friends in Little Falls, as did Jane Noyes in Lake George. Dot Goldberg and Nat Mather week-ended in Schenectady, while Lucy Armstrong and Dot Lytle did their best to liven up New York City. Two Seniors decided to call on their respective sisters: Jean French went to Vassar, and Ann Wadhams to Ticonderoga.

Our first Dartmouth delegate was Mary Mayo, and Nancy Forester and Eileen Mitchell found West Point profitable. Margaret Muckenfuss made N. J. C. her headquarters for a visit to Rutgers.

The rest of us? Well, the Seniors picnicked at Lake George, and birthdays were celebrated at Fusco's. And we did our best to line up dates for All-College. Then watch our smoke!!

## Streamlining Salon To Be Opened Here For Young Hopefuls

It's bad enough when those blind dates from Colgate and Dartmouth never come back, but when even Union isn't interested, something has to be done. So here's a chance for all who didn't take the Richard Hudnut beauty course this summer to get a new lease on life. In the past Skidmore's policy has been the development of students along academic and cultural lines. But what man will date you long enough to discover your higher attributes if your hips are two sizes too large, and your strut could double for Joan Davis'.

So for the first time, Skidmore offers you the opportunity to become streamlined by means of supervised exercise. You will attain poise, feel better and look better than ever before. No longer must you sit in the Pharm on Saturday nights—listening to "Oh, You Crazy Moon" while crocodile tears roll down a well worn path into a box of Kleenex.

Come to Miss Paulding's salon every Tuesday at 4:00 P. M. Your interest is the only requirement for the course—and what's more, it will count as one of your sport credits!

### On The Run

Greetings and salutations everybody! I suppose you all consider yourselves rested up from the summer, and are just itching to get off to a good start in every course—but don't forget the narrow margin between being rested and being lazy. Now's the time to throw off that summer sluggishness — and there's nothing better than a good tennis match or hockey game to do it.

### Swimming

The Freshmen have sort of monopolized the pool this past week, and it's no wonder. They have absolutely the best material of any class that has ever entered Skidmore. Fifty of them are out for intercollegiate swimming, and only the thirty best will be chosen. It looks like a real chance to get our swimming team on the map.

### Tennis

These summer sports are really being carried over in the real sense of the word. The courts have been filled every hour of the day. After losing so many of our champs last June, it's quite a suspense to see what the Freshman class has to offer. The Fall Doubles Tournament has has to be cancelled because of the short season, but the singles tournament will start this week—sign up on the gym bulletin board.

### Hockey

With all those who have signed up for hockey, some crack teams ought to be developed. It's too early to give any real forecast about the 1943 crew, but we've seen Sinon and Billingslea make the ball sit up and talk. After things are a bit more organized, the best players will be selected from the college and sent to Delmar where they will play the Jr. Mohawk team on Saturday, November 4th.

### Riding

The Riding Club is giving a Gymkhana on October 14th at the Okla-

### Lyons Analyzes Russian Policies

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forts to make the revolution into an All-European war failed. Powerful international influence is, nevertheless, exerted by the Communist International, a strongly-nationalistic Russian organization.

Since 1935, the Communist International was used to attack Fascism, Mussolini and Hitler, however, these charges must be dropped in view of present alliances. The purpose of the Communist International in the present war is "to promote interest on the Russo-German side and to emphasize the present anti-imperialistic feeling in Russia."

The "deepening of old fashioned nationalism" has been one of the major changes occurring in Russia in recent years. There is a new emphasis on the past, on folklore, on Russian tradition; there is a "triumph of Asia over Europe" as Russia turns its back on the outside world. For in the "retreat from modernism", advanced ideas "find less hospitality in Moscow than they do in New York or Chicago," and the new class in power, the instigators of the change, is composed of bureaucrats, police officials, and army officers who make the decisions and then pass them on to the party. "Thus," says Mr. Lyons, "the party functions only to give its blessings and shout hurrah!"

No longer is there economic equality in Russia. "Every man is to give the society what he can, and draw from the society only what he needs. If one is in the high wage earning bracket, one must indicate this by the mode of

living." The ordinary worker has less to say in a Russian factory than an American factory worker, and trade unions exist only in name. With this counter-revolution in Russia, a new type of tyranny has arisen in which the importance of individual freedom has been repudiated.

homa race track. Freshmen are particularly urged to participate. If you don't ride, it's the chance of your life to see your friends in their rarest form—so don't miss it.

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### Student Nurses Are Given Caps

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Gregor, N. Y.; and the care of sick children and communicable disease cases at the New Haven Hospital, in Connecticut.

The 5th year experience is gained in family health service in New York under the supervision of the East Harlem Nursing Health Service and in rural New York counties under the medical direction and supervision of the New York State Department of Health.

The last semester of the course the student spends at the college in the study of education, sociology and public health nursing, after successful completion of the course receiving her B. S. degree from Skidmore College and the Mary McClellan Hospital pin and diploma. The forty-three graduates of the nursing course since its establishment have found ready employment in their chosen profession in some field of nursing service.

### Language Head Is New Arrival

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this week." A "liberal Conservative with many leftist friends, none of whom has given a convincing explanation of the Russo-German treaty," is Dr. Bowie's classification of himself.

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Miss Starbuck, Secretary of the College, also spoke to the Freshmen. She told them of the work of the College Publicity Board and requested them to fill out a short questionnaire which is to be filed in the Publicity Office.

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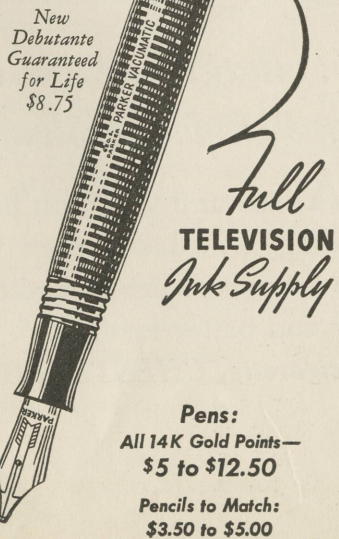
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### Famous Quartet Returns to Sing Negro Melodies

By Frances M. Schlude  
Monday evening, October 2nd, the Hampton Quartet was enthusiastically received by a large audience in College Hall. They were introduced by Mr. Stanley E. Saxton. The representative, Lorenzo White, spoke about Mr. George Foster Peabody, and of his interest in Hampton, of which he was a trustee.

Since 1874, when the band of Hampton student singers was formed to raise the walls of "Virginia Hall" by its concerts in the North, there have been frequent requests for Negro music. Although the old favorites have not been neglected, many more melodies, striking and beautiful, have been found, the origin of which is not exactly known.

The Quartet sang songs about Christian Life, Biblical themes, Admonition, and Religious Aspiration. They represent a sample of the singing of hundreds of the students at Hampton. Their voices were rich and resonant and made us wish we could hear the entire student body at Hampton, for it would be so much greater and more powerful. One could imagine how beautiful it would be to hear the whole school sing, but we feel fortunate indeed to have heard even a small representation.

### Late Lamented Seniors Find Temperate World

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the Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn.

Myra Maynard is in the Home Service Office of the Central Hudson Power & Light Company at Poughkeepsie. Laurene Southard is in the laboratory of the New York Hospital, and Betty Carthaus is interning in the laboratories of the Madison General Hospital, Madison, Wisconsin.

Those interning for A. A. U. W. are Lenore Hurth, Elizabeth Ann Corrigan King and Helene Meron.

The Junior Visitor of the Catholic Guardian Society is Margaret Powers. Hilda Bashevkin is doing social work at the Reformatory for Women in Farmington, Connecticut. Doris Wearne was approved for employment in July for the Neuro-Psychiatric Institute in Hartford, Connecticut, and placed on the waiting list.

Those who continued in the realm of books are: Beatrice Dake at Merrill Palmer; Dorothy Lamb, Iowa State; Frances Astrachan and Joan Keyes, Yale, and Marietta Silliman, New York Hospital for the Ruptured and Crippled.

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### Parisien to Speak To Student Group

Dr. Charles Chestre, professor of American literature and civilization at the University of Paris, will lecture in assembly on October 17. Professor Chestre is editor of "Revue Anglo-Americaine" and formerly professor of the Universities of Lyon and Bordeaux. He has been visiting at Harvard, Bryn Mawr, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Georgia, and California.

In December Dr. Chestre is scheduled to give the Alexandre Lectures at the University of Toronto. As well as professor and lecturer, he has written numerous publications.

Mayor F. L. LaGuardia and all of his commissioners will give a lecture course this year at New York University on the city's government.

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### U. S. Allotted Role Of Savior in War

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like Snow White, lies in sleep from eating a poisoned apple," the speaker explained.

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