

Faculty Action Streamlines Curriculum, Alters Degree Requirements; Change in Effect by June '49

Council Representatives Nominated; New Acorn Editor Assumes Office

BULLETIN . . . Election returns, submitted exclusively to the Acorn show Ted Bushell to be the new Senior Class representative on the Student Council. Junior and Sophomore seats were filled by Martin Warshaw and Richard Krumm, respectively. Election for Freshman officers has been scheduled for early next term, reliable sources reported.

Jean Elmore will hand over her typewriters, staff, and bottles of aspirin next semester to Rod Barr, when he takes over the job of editing the "Acorn." At a mass meeting held Jan. 9, 1947 Rod was the only man nominated for the position. Having worked for the "Acorn" since his Freshman year Rod is well-equipped to handle the job facing him. He covered sports for the school paper this semester.

Nominations for Student Council Representatives were held at class meetings last week. Ted Bushell and Larry Hemmendinger were the candidates put up by the Senior Class. Ted is well-known around school for his prowess on the basketball court, while Larry is, at the present time, Copy Editor for

the "Acorn." Howard Mahan was also nominated, but withdrew from the race.

The juniors nominated Marc Joseph, Stanley Rudiger, and Martin Warshaw as prospective members of the Council. Marty plays J. V. basketball for the school; Marc is News Editor of the "Acorn," Business Manager for the "Oak Leaves," and on the varsity debate squad; Stan is active in the Foresters.

Six Sophomores were slated to run for the Student Council post; Alan Carling, Donald Dumm, John Heagney, Dick Krumm, Reba Lerner, and Natalie Lewinger. All of these people are well-known around campus and have been active in school activities.

January 11 Registrants Avoid Rush

A change in registration procedure for the spring semester whereby students whose advance course registrations have been accepted will not be required to report on registration day, Friday, Jan. 31, has been announced by the Registrar's Office. Only new students and those whose preliminary forms are not in good order will be obliged to be present on that day. Others who are not present Jan. 31 must complete their registration papers at the registration desk on the second floor of Mead Hall either Saturday or Monday mornings, Feb. 1 or 3.

Mr. Glass, the assistant Registrar, in announcing the changes, stated, "Although the new system will add greatly to the work of this office during the next few weeks, we feel that this office during the extra day or two of vacation is a just reward for those who co-operated so well with us."

Under this new system the late registration fee of five dollars will be charged to those who do not complete their course registration by 3 P.M. Friday, Jan. 31; those of the pre-registered students who fail to report for completion of registration by noon Monday, Feb. 3; and all those students who fail to keep their appointments.

Changes in class schedules may be made, as under the previous system, at the library before noon on registration day, or at the Registrar's Office on payment of the one dollar fee Feb. 4 through 8.

Here's New Editor Earl Rodman Barr

Here's the story on Earl Rodman Barr, Jr., who, with the next issue, takes over as Editor-in-Chief of your Drew Acorn. Barr, a South Jerseyite from Westmont, is now a Junior in the college, majoring in History.

Readers are familiar with Rod's sports column, "Riding The Circuit," in which he has reported, analyzed, and predicted results in the athletic world, both on campus and afield, since early in 1946. During this period he has been Sports Editor of this publication.

Barr graduated from Pennington School in 1941, entered BC that year. Before leaving in 1942 to spend three years with the Army Air Forces he served as the Acorn's Assistant Editor. He is now the Junior Class's representative on the BC Social Committee.

Program Outlines New Frosh, Soph Courses; Drops Classics Requirement

Degree requirements were streamlined in a far-reaching faculty action completed last week. Students now in college will have a choice until June 1949 of completing their work under either the present curriculum or the new one, but they must meet one set of requirements or the other as a whole.

Main features of the new program are a set sequence of freshman and sophomore courses in place of the present wide choices; reduction in the language requirement and acceleration of the first year's courses in modern languages; considerable broadening of the concentration work; and transferring of degree comprehensive examination responsibilities from the major professor to a faculty committee of three or more for each concentration.

The lower level program of freshmen who begin their work next fall and thereafter is to be:

In the Freshman Year

- English composition
- Economic and social life (a new year-course)
- One of the elementary sciences—
 - General biology
 - Introductory botany
 - General chemistry
 - General physics
- A language, either ancient or modern
- One other course
- Physical education

In the Sophomore Year

- One of the introductory literature courses:
 - Drama and poetry (Aldrich)
 - European masterpieces (Kline)
- Introductory philosophy or religion:
 - In the first semester, either Introduction to philosophy (a new course), or Survey of religion
 - In the second semester, either Ethics, or Literary form and content of Bible
- Completion of the language requirement
- Two other courses
- Physical education

Students who can demonstrate by examination prior to the beginning of the freshman work that they do not need particular prescribed courses will be exempted from them.

The new curriculum includes only one language requirement, which may be satisfied by either Latin or a modern language, in place of the present requirement of classics plus a modern language. It is to be satisfied by the completion of

*the second half of a college intermediate (second year) language course, or a test at that level.

Another innovation is that elementary French, Spanish, and German courses, beginning next fall, will meet five periods a week and carry four credits each semester, to enable beginning students to progress more rapidly in their language work. This follows the pattern long found desirable in many colleges in language work, where continuity of instruction and increased time for class drill have proved important.

Another modification of the language setup will be the establishment of fast and slow sections of the intermediate modern language courses, with a proviso that stu-

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Group Meets; Discusses Plays

On Tuesday evening, January 14, the play reading committee of the Drew Foresters, headed by Sid Rosenblum, met at the home of Professor Ralph R. Johnson to discuss possible plays for a spring production. While no final selection has been made, the following plays are under serious consideration: "The Late George Apley," "The Man Who Came to Dinner," "You Can't Take It With You," "Outward Bound," "The Barretts of Wimpole Street" and "Antigone."

The committee has a difficult problem to overcome, in that original funds for the production will be very limited and a suitable location for the spring production has not as yet been found.

Drama Class Produces Plays

On Wednesday, January 8, the Brothers College dramatics class gave a presentation of "The Valiant" and on last Tuesday Eugene O'Neill's "Ile."

The dramatics class puts on these short plays in the Green Room in order to get practical experiences. The plays are well publicized and members of the faculty and student body are cordially invited to attend. Earlier in the year, they produced "Camille" and the comedy, "The Potboiler." The latter was also given by the class at the Barringer High School in Newark.

Drew-Eds Alter Organization

In an attempt to keep pace with the changing needs of Brothers College women students, the Drew-Eds have revised their constitution. The modified organization eliminates those functions which appeared to be no longer important and establishes a representative governing body.

The monthly all-girl socials have been discarded in favor of one big get-together a term. Such traditional Drew-Ed activities as the Christmas and Mothers' Day Teas, Fall and Spring dances, and Spring Festival will be continued.

In the future, officers will be elected to serve for the entire year, rather than only one term. Monthly business meetings of the organization have been discontinued. In the streamlined program the board of officers will be the main functioning body, meeting weekly. They will be augmented by a council composed of one girl from each dormitory and one representative for each 30 commuters. The board and council will meet jointly every month. The President will call special meetings of the entire membership whenever the need arises.

First officers to serve under the revised constitution have been elected, but their identity will not be revealed until Installation, on February 5.

Retiring officers are: Jean VanCamp, president; Marion Arnold, vice-president; Ester Kolar, treasurer; Therese Smith, corresponding secretary; Dorothy Clyburn, recording secretary; Joy Werner, chaplain.

Adopt Calendar For Year '47-'48

On recommendation of the Committee on Scholarship and Examinations, the faculty has voted to adopt the following calendar for the academic year 1947-1948:

Registration—Fall: Friday, Sept. 12
Spring: Monday, Jan. 26
Begin Classes—Fall: Monday, Sept. 15
Spring: Wednesday, Jan. 28
Thanksgiving—Wed., Nov. 26, 8 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 30, 12 p.m.
Christmas—Sat., Dec. 20, 1 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 4, 12 p.m.
Easter—Sunday, March 20
Monday, March 29
Last Day of Classes:
Fall: Sat., Jan. 10
Spring: Wed., May 19
Exams:
Fall: Mon., Jan. 12 to Tues., Jan. 20
Spring: Fri., May 21 to Sat., May 29

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This Year,
Less Gripping

Most New Year's resolutions are pleasant things to make and they generally contain a double satisfaction. One feels saintly when making them and a little devilish when breaking them. It is a paradox of human nature that man can derive pleasure from both of these feelings. We would like to suggest a resolution that will give you neither of these satisfactions.

During the past year on this campus, a large number of people have expressed discontent with one or more phases of their life at Brothers College. A certain amount of griping is legitimate and a healthy sign. But it has reached the point where we feel that it is damaging, both to the institution and to the individual.

How often have you heard the remark—"I wouldn't be here except that I couldn't get in anywhere else?" The person who makes that remark is fooling no one but himself. Stated in that fashion, it is tantamount to a lie which he is trying to convince himself is the truth. Perhaps there are schools he can't get into. On the other hand, there are schools he can get into and there are numerous students who would like to continue their education at Brothers College. Of course, we'll admit that the schools the individual in question can get into won't give him the same standards of education that he is getting here. They probably won't have the same close-knit group that one encounters in a small school such as Brothers College. But they do grant degrees and if that is the only reason you picked Brothers College to favor with your presence, we feel the college would be better off without you.

Things are not perfect, no! We'll agree on that. But harping, destructive criticism will not better the situation. Empty, wishful thinking is not going to make you a better person or Brothers College a better school. This campus has good points as well as bad ones. Seek out and make the most of the good ones; do what you can to correct the bad ones. Above all, take some pride in your

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Miss Elmore:

I agree so thoroughly with the main drive of your December 13 editorial on cheating, as all the faculty will, that I want to commend its publication, correct one erroneous statement in it, and to urge more hard thinking and active attack upon this problem.

The one completely incorrect intimation of your editorial is that our faculty marks according to a pre-determined curve, directing instructors to turn in a certain proportion of A's, B's, C's, etc. That is altogether false.

The faculty does have some conscience about keeping our grading practices on a reasonably consistent basis, that is, trying to make an A mean about the same thing from year to year and from instructor to instructor. Fifteen years ago we adopted an "ideal norm" for the guidance of instructors which suggested among other things that it would be well if about 25 per cent of the lower-level marks were A's and B's. We know that last year 51 per cent of our lower level marks were A's and B's. We know that there has been a 7 per cent increase in the proportion of A's and B's since 1939-1941, but the faculty has taken no action.

The emphasis on marks in the American college system has its drawbacks, but it is hard to escape. It is much like the competition you are going to meet all your life. It takes a bit of intellectual maturity on the part of the student to hold marks intelligently in their proper place, but some manage it. Ethical maturity in the individual and in the student body is the only fundamental safeguard I can see against the temptation of stealing grades. Whatever we can do to promote that will give us lasting results.

Your point as to starting with good student material is certainly well taken. It is largely my job to select the student material, and I want all thoughtful advice I can get. As you of course know, we do investigate far more than "mere academic background" in selecting students, but your editorial slides over this point too easily. It is one thing to find attractive, well-developed personalities; it is quite another to spot in advance an ethical weakness which makes a potential

So Long, Chief

It must have been discouraging for the girl at times. There must have been moments, and many long moments, when the usually thankless task of editing and directing a collegiate newspaper seemed an impossible burden. There were harsh days during the administration which she leaves with this issue.

But Elmore was a fighter, a modest champion of that in which she believed, and she stood ready to defend each word that was printed, black on white, in the editorial columns of this paper. Defend them she did, on more than one occasion.

We know that there was some tough sledding. We know, too, the bewildering maze of campus politics which often confronted her, when overwhelming forces of diverse opinion presented themselves in the arguments of the big and

cheater. If there are thoughtful men and women in the present student body who think they have an approach to an answer to that problem, I want to talk with them and have them try it out.

This problem of personal integrity is as important as any we shall ever face.

Sincerely yours,
F. Taylor Jones
Registrar

Dear Editor:

Unfortunately, studying is one of the inescapable consequences of going to college. We students of Drew University are fortunate in having highly adequate facilities for this purpose. However, because of the lack of facilities for social activities, many students have attempted to kill two birds with one stone—by using the Baldwin Room as a combination meeting place and study room.

Both the students, attempting to study, and the library staff, have recently found it necessary to complain about the undue talking in the Baldwin Room. The question of how best to remedy the situation was discussed at a monthly meeting of the Student-Library Committee, composed of four members of the student body, Dr. Lawson, and Miss Wick, who is in charge of circulation in the library. The committee, representing the students, feels that only through voluntary action of all the students can quiet be maintained. Obviously, the seriousness of the problem requires either that students remedy the situation themselves, or the administration will be forced to restrict student liberty in the use of the library.

Possibly the cause of noise in the Baldwin Room is ignorance of the rules by new students. The Baldwin Room is a study room. The social room in the basement is the only place provided for conversations among students, although talking is not prohibited in the Pilling Room.

For the benefit of the entire student body, each student must restrain himself from conversing in the Baldwin Room, for only by such mature group action can we avoid the necessity of administrative restriction.

Natalie S. Fox,
Sec'y, Library Comm.

little men, the builders and the destroyers. A healthy sign, perhaps, these various threads on the loom of campus thought, but rather hard on one who had to hold these threads together where journalistic representation was concerned. That job was done.

She leaves us now. A new director moves into the editorial chair. And so let us say only this. Whenever the question of coeducation is raised, remember the girl, remember the name, Jean Elmore. And remember that here was a Drew girl doing what most of us once considered a man's job; a Drew girl, a leader, whose leadership has been an inspiration to us, whose record of leadership stands as a brilliant bit of testimony to the spirit of the modern American woman.

So long, Chief.

Rhythm and Reason

By Marilyn Hittner

There is only one Ethel Merman. There is only one person who can paddle around Broadway in moccasins and a tattered dress and by every gesture, every word, or merely a dead pan look set an audience laughing. I say Broadway instead of a particular stage, because Miss Merman is Broadway; she is the best Broadway has to offer in a musical comedy lead. Her vivacity has never been equalled; she gives her audience everything she has and she still is fresh; her rambunctious, raucous voice not only is heard to the rafters, but vitalized a show the way a sweet tone could never do; and although her eyes and manner portray an innocence no "naughty" verse could tarnish, she nevertheless, is mature in expertness of acting. She breezes through the show; her winsome manner is completely devastating; you are powerless; before the first act is completed, you want to see the show over.

The plot of "Annie Get Your Gun," taken from the book written by Herb and Dot Fields (I know them well, natch) is made to order for Miss Merman who plays the title role Annie Oakley. It scores a bull's eye, the way that famous sharp shooter was supposed to do. The lyrics and songs are spirited (there is one titled "Moonshine Lullaby") and very catching, viz., "The Girl That I Marry"; "I've Got the Sun in the Morning"; and "Do-in' What Comes Naturally."

In the show, little Annie rises to fame by out-scoring the rifle champ, Frank Butler, who is travelling with the famous Wild West show and Sitting Bull is so impressed by her fancy shooting she never misses—that he asked her to join his tribe. This results in a lively scene.

Bemedaled Annie, nevertheless, is not happy; Frank Butler's ego has been shattered by losing a rifle match to a woman, and he does not make a pass at our woman. Annie soon realized "you can't shoot a male in the tail like a quail—or, you can't get a man with a gun," and changing her technique she allows Frank Butler to out-score her and everything ends happily.

Although Ethel Merman is the whole show, she is surprisingly (for it really doesn't matter) well supported in the secondary roles. The male lead, Ray Middleton, plays Frank Butler, (the hero who's got our gal completely gagga) with good voice and charming manner. There is a spectacularly energetic Indian Dance by Daniel Nagrin and group and the rest of the cast seems to be imbued with Merman's enthusiasm and give an excellent performance. Visitors at this tremendous spectacle are acutely aware of how much Broadway has missed Ethel Merman, and we hope this vehicle will remain for a long while.

This Year . . .

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school! If you lose that pride, if you rationalize yourself into grudgingly accepting a compromise, you deal a severe blow to your own self-esteem, your own ego.

We are not going to state any resolution for you in so many words. You can phrase it for yourself. But let's resolve that in the year 1947 we will take a little more pride in Brothers College and its activities and that when we find defects we will do our utmost to correct them in order that our pride in this school and in ourselves may be soundly and honourably sustained.

RIDING THE CIRCUIT

By Rod Barr

Being hungry last week about 4 P.M. several of us made our way to the Bookstore; leaving we walked to the gym. The purpose of the visit was to talk over the recent basketball games. When we entered the SWB gymnasium, the sounds of activity on the court drew us to the door. On the floor were 12 Coeds, running like mad in zones after the basketball. Dressed in various and sundry garb some looked like the modern dance class of last spring, but this was not a dance.

We tried to recall the rules of the games, especially why the girls never ventured out of their zone; then we remembered our high school days and the mystery was solved. The moral of this story is that if ever your lessons permit and the game is on, trek to the gym for entertainment. (Don Abbott remembers when they wore bloomers and long stockings.)

The intramural league seems overwhelmed by the Sophs. The club, headed by Champlin, has taken the lead and refuses to allow anyone to get near the top. The real test of the team was last Wednesday when they played the JayVees in the opener. The Senior team even with the addition of several new faces can't get out of the loss league. Guess the old men are tired.

At the writing of this tripe the varsity squad has lost, lost and lost. What the causes may be is anyone's guess. However one thing that must be noted is that the team has played out of its class.

The coach at Pratt admitted that his team was too tall and also that the game with the Drew Five brought forth the best in his team. Another reason that may be mentioned is that present facilities in

the gym are inadequate. On a larger court the team tires easier and this is partially supported by the poor showing in the last quarter. The lack of tall fellows has hindered the team in many games which is another reason. Regardless of all these reasons the team is hustling, so on the second half of the schedule things should be brighter.

Although not listed in the catalogue the poor weather has brought forth two more sports—ice skating and skiing. Over near Florham Park the ice freezes in quantity and some of the students have been trying their luck. Skiing, well that was done all over the campus during the slippery weather; in fact, even the visitors from the Far East tried it.

The change in the gym requirements may be a boon to mankind, but it again points out the lack of adequate room in the gym. The program has been designed to give every student an acquaintance with the various games that he may use after college. This program has fallen because of the lack of space and the difficulties of two men trying to handle classes of forty and fifty students. The need for a new gym is now and not in ten years.

This ends a year of pounding out this column on the faithful machine and in closing—thanks to Coach and Doc for the dope on the teams; thanks to the players for their help in writing some of the stories and for many of the side-lights; thanks to George Harjes, Don Sweeney, Ted Goble and Art Scolari for the fine reporting of the games and various squads. The very last words—good luck to Don Abbott who moves in here next semester.

Photo Contest
Date Changed

Due to the fact that no entries have been received to date, it has been decided to extend the deadline for the OAK LEAVES — 1947 photographic contest until February 1, 1947. The editors of the yearbook feel that some excellent shots of the campus must have been made after the recent snow-storm and that perhaps pressure of studies has held up processing the films. Either that or photography is rapidly becoming a lost art on Drew campus.

Drew Fellowship
Elects Spencer

The Drew Fellowship held elections on Tuesday, January 14, electing Phil Spencer chairman for the coming semester. Also elected to the committee were Lucille Antes, Eloise Peterson and Ray Elliott.

According to the chairman-elect, the coming meetings will feature formulation of plans for the spring sessions of the fellowship. The tentative plans include student forums, slides of post-war Europe, as well as student, faculty and guest speakers.

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Circuit-Raiders
Bow, 57 to 44

On December eighteenth of the old year Wagner defeated the Drew Circuit-Raiders, 57 to 44. The Drew five fought courageously, but they were completely outclassed by the sharpshooting and the rugged play of the Wagner team. For Wagner, Hennessy dropped eight-point, while Gearhart and Reich each rolled up twelve. Stan Raub led the Drew scorers with fifteen points, and he was followed closely by Bannon with eleven. This game was featured by the rough and spirited play, and the referees were forced to follow the game very closely.

Drew	G F P	Wagner	G F P	
Bannon	5	11	Gearhart	5
Hazelton	2	1	Darson	2
Smart	2	0	Hennessy	9
Smart	1	3	Reich	4
Bushell	1	2	Fuglestad	1
Raub	6	3	Willets	4
		Krumpe	0	
	17		10	
	44		57	

Referees—Fries and De Arment.

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Drew Leads,
Then Drops
Game, 64-44

Two days after returning from vacation the Drew basketball team traveled to Montclair State Teachers College. Here they suffered their sixth defeat of the year, the second defeat at the hands of Montclair. The final score was 64 to 44. However, this final score does not tell the whole story. At the end of the first half the Drew team was leading by the score of 27 to 21. It was Drew's lack of reserve strength, and the commanding height of the Montclair five that told the story in the second half.

For Montclair, Maginness led the way with twenty points. He was ably supported by Gifford with sixteen, and Sobo with ten. Raub headed the Drew scorers with nineteen points. Smart picked up eight points, and played sensationally under the defensive backboard.

Drew	G F P	Montclair	G F P	
Hazelton	1	3	Sob	2
Lundberg	1	1	Solomon	3
Dandy	1	0	Maginness	10
Smart	3	2	Gifford	7
Smart	6	7	Reagan	1
Gunnell	1	1	Headley	2
Bushell	0	0	Walaky	0
Sacco	0	1	Flynn	1
Bannon	1	1		2
	14	16		44
	44		26	64

Referees—Bannigan and Andrews.

Pratt Five Tops
BC Quint, 63-39

On 10 January 1947, the Pratt basketball team was host to the Drew Circuit Riders at their Winter Carnival. However, they were not the most polite hosts, defeating Drew by the score of 63 to 39. Again Drew played a very good game, but again they were outclassed by superior height. Drew played an excellent floor game, but under the baskets they lacked those few necessary inches. At the end of the first half, Drew was only back five points, but the boys were tired in the second half and this seemed to make those Pratt boys that much taller.

Dropping in fifteen points, Bannon led the way for the Drew team. Stan Raub was second in line with nine. Hazelton, while scoring seven, gave promise of many good games in the future. Kaplowitz, a star last year, shone even more brightly this game, dropping twenty-two points to lead Pratt in the scoring column. Dobson seconded Kaplowitz by scoring thirteen points.

Drew	G F P	Pratt	G F P	
Hazelton	3	1	Kaplowitz	9
Smart	0	1	Dobson	6
Raub	4	1	Berry	1
Bannon	6	2	Alpert	4
Bushell	3	1	Hollwedel	1
		Buge	1	
		Czapski	1	
		Backman	0	
		Sibley	3	
	16		39	
	39		63	

Referees—Krinky and Siddon.

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Joy Werner Elected President
Of Women's Athletic Ass'n

The election returns for the officers of the new organization on campus, the Women's Athletic Association, were revealed last week at a meeting of the co-eds with Merry Richards. The officers are: Joy Werner, president; Jean Canwright, vice-president; Merry Yee, secretary; and Ann Nichols, treasurer. Activities of the Drew-Eds having been cut down, it is hoped that this new organization will offer a chance for reorganization of the co-eds in a field of strong interest: athletics.

In the Spring, representatives from various colleges will meet at Wellesley College to discuss plans for the season. Joy Werner will represent Drew. The WAA will sponsor "play days" with other schools. These will be whole days devoted to various athletic activities with selected teams for each sport competing with teams from other schools. A play day for

Drew vs Centenary has been planned for March 8.

Hockey awards for the past season have been made to the team, members of which are: Werner, DeCossey, Muchmore, Canwright, Kolar, Dahle, Van Camp, Pellet, Tamburello, Frattalone, Crowley, Prodel, Strelechi, and Corson.

Intramural basketball is under way now, and will continue into the next season. A trophy will be awarded to the winning team in an intramural competition and individual silver basketballs will be awarded to each member of that team.

A member of the bowling gym class, June Strelechi, has been awarded a trophy for the most improvement in the class during the season.

Plans for gym classes during the Spring include golf, and horseback riding in Green Village.

Curriculum Change...

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Students who make A or B in an elementary course will jump immediately to the second half of the intermediate course, while students who travel more slowly in the elementary course will take a full year of intermediate work.

The new concentration setup does not depart radically from the old, but groups the concentration field into larger areas, with much more work in common for allied subjects. The following concentrations will be listed:

Literature, with emphasis on either Classical literature, English literature, or European literature and modern languages
Psychology
Philosophy
Religion
Mathematics and the physical sciences, with emphasis on either mathematics, or physics, or chemistry
The life sciences

The social studies, with emphasis on either economics, sociology, history, or government
In every case the concentration will be directed by several instructors instead of one, and the senior comprehensive examination will be given by a committee.

Students now in college will have a choice between meeting the requirements heretofore in effect, with the important exception that there will be no classics requirement for anyone after the June 1947 Commencement, although it remains in full effect for those who will take their degrees in June 1947; or meeting the requirements of the new curriculum as a whole, of the courses they have previously taken being liberally equated with the required subjects of the new program. Analyses of how this will affect each individual, and inquiries as to which program is wanted, will be circulated within the next few weeks.

Other actions taken at the same time eliminate reading courses entirely after September 1947, and require Curriculum Committee approval for reading course registrations until then; authorize the Schedules Committee to extend the class day later than four o'clock, if such action is necessary; and

reduce the physical education requirement to five semesters after this year.

Elimination of reading courses comes because it has been found impossible for the faculty to carry adequately their present heavy classroom program and private study courses on the side. Between the two the decision has been to give every effort to adequate work in the classroom.

The extension of the class day to five o'clock, perhaps in some instances to six o'clock, was voted after the most serious discussion of its effects on extraclassroom activities, and only because it is clearly impossible to hold the necessary number of classes for four hundred students (next fall's projected registration) within the hours previously employed. In taking this action the Educational Policy Committee and the faculty specifically reaffirmed their interest in the extraclassroom activities program.

The cut in physical education requirements from eight semesters to five is a highly regretted result of the inadequacy of gymnasium facilities. The cut represents expediency, not faculty policy, which is still strongly committed to a four-year physical education requirement as soon as it can be reinstated.

The faculty actions revising the curriculum are the outcome of some two years of study, begun by a committee under the chairmanship of Professor Young, and completed by a committee of which Professor Schultz was chairman, and Messrs. Aldrich, Brunhouse, Harrington, Jordy, Kimpel, McClintock, Young, Brown, Lankard, and Jones were members.

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FOR BETTER OR FOR VERSE . . .

'Twas six days after New Year's and all thru the dorm
Not a creature was stirring, not even Sid Rosenblorn.
The students were hitting their books with great care
With faint hopes that their final exams would be fair.
The rooms were ablaze with Tom Edison's lights
When at eleven p.m. on the darkest of nights
Said lights went kaput! 'Twas a finicky fuse
And no one had even a penny to use.
I say in all truth, with never a jest
They'd all been donated to Lois' chest.

(hope chest, that is)

Mid blasphemous oaths that would curl your hair
The braver souls staggered for the rickety stair.
"Keep calm and call Malm," came a resonant drone
As they floundered and groped for the Bell telephone.
At length help arrived from the Drew M.P.'s
Their pants pulled on over their B.V.D.'s.
With flashlights afficker, and carbines in hand
They searched through the house for the sabotage band.
Their thoroughness would do credit to the Army S-2
They searched all the rooms (and the shower rooms too)
And at length were rewarded in their diligent quest
When they found the culprit in Margolis' chest.

(tool chest, that is)

"Quel dommage," quoth they as they made the arrest,
"Sanka coffee's the brand we like the best."
Joe smiled and spake, "Well get thy fill,
They've got an awful lot of coffee in Brazil."

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It has been brought to our attention that the scenes d'amour staged in the Green Room these cold winter evenings would put Lunt and Fontaine into vaudeville. Might we respectfully suggest that the Golden Grenade lure her gentlemen friends into a more secluded atmosphere . . . the wall paint is blistering. . .

The rumor mongers had a field day last week kicking around the story of the nuptial ceremony of one Slingin' Sam, the Toggeleer Extraordinaire, (ask him). Seems that Cruse and Company are perturbed because they didn't doubt the tale for a moment.

The other day we overheard some faculty members discussing the soon-to-be-proposed change of Drew U's name. Evidently the trustees think it should be changed to something more appropriate, such as "The Madison Marital Bureau." . . . This is the only place we know of that doesn't need the spring weather to make the sap flow. . . . Maybe the increased advertisement will result in a wider selection of slender females. . . . We seem to have a monopoly on the "Huggin' and Chalkin'" type.

With the advent of cold weather the lads and lassies are once again gathering up their skates, blankets, and hot butter to spend an evening at the lake. . . . These excursions never fail to bring a tear to our eyes as we fondly recollect the Last Mission of Colonel Duryea—just one year ago this month. . . .

It would be unfair to our loyal subscribers to suppress any longer the story of the fierce contest being waged in room 201, Asbury. It's ripping, old bean, positively sidesplitting. Swede Lundberg, Don Dumm, and Jazz Remaly are feverishly working themselves into a frenzy in their attempts to outdo each other. If you've noticed a strained look on their faces of late you can attribute it to the terrific pressure they've been operating under.

Ever since the horses were driven from the shelter now known as Asbury Hall, and the cracks in the walls widened to provide inexpensive air conditioning, during the winter months, there has been a bulletin board located in the first floor main hallway; but never has it received such unanimous perusal as during the past two weeks. Sixty-nine of the seventy inhabitants gather periodically to memorize the latest proclamations. (The sole non-reader, Bob Babyface Bannon, claims the notices will corrupt his morals.) Nowadays the bulletin board dispenses valuable information on a diversity of subjects; the paramount topics concerning primarily the food shortage, bill-paying, physical exercise, changes in the school curriculum, and nourishment. Their unique charm lies in the fact that they are written entirely in verse. Joe "It pays to advertise" Margolis is compiling an anthology to be distributed among the student body.

Lawyer Speaks On World Government

Mr. A. J. Priest, New York lawyer and resident of Summit, New Jersey, will speak to students and adults tonight, Friday, January 17th at eight o'clock at the Madison YMCA on the timely subject: "World Government Or Else." The meeting, sponsored by the Student Federalists Chapters of Brothers College and the Madison High School, will be open to all interested adults and parents as well as students.

Mr. Priest received his A.B. and LL.D. degrees from the University of Idaho and, except for service in World War I, he has since been associated with Reid and Priest, law firm of N. Y. City. This firm represents many of the country's larger public utility holding and operating companies. Mr. Priest is also a trustee of the Community Church in Summit.

A student of the problem of world government for many years, Mr. Priest took an active part in Clarence Streit's "Union Now" movement in 1939, and in 1941 became chairman of the Board of Directors. Since 1945 he has been a member of the Board of Directors and the Executive and Policy Committee of Americans United for World Government and a member of the Council for Student Federalists.

There will be an opportunity after the talk for questions and discussion.

SCIENCE CLUB HEARS TALK ON OCEANOGRAPHY

"Oceanography" was the subject on which Mr. MacDonald, eminent authority, addressed the Science Club at its last meeting. Mr. MacDonald has had a research fellowship at Harvard, then went to Egypt to become Deputy Director of a Scientific investigation. He served on several expeditions, and later returned as a professor to Harvard to teach oceanography. Although Mr. MacDonald is well acquainted with all the scientific fields related to oceanography, his chief interest lies in biology. In a popular talk, the speaker outlined his field roughly. He also related interesting facts and anecdotes about whaling, another subject about which he seemed to know a great deal. The floor was then thrown open to questions and discussed.

The meetings of the Science Club, which are generally held either in Room 1 or the Lounge of the BC building are open to everyone and are generally kept on a popular basis to make them enjoyable to students with a more limited background in the sciences.

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Historical Highlights . . . No. 4

During its 113 years, Embury Hall has shown amazing versatility and has seen remarkable transformation—from granary to classrooms, from dining hall to work shops.

Present residence of many Seminary student families and administrative associates, Embury has watched Drew grow since its construction by William Gibbons in 1833. Built as a granary on the estate, it still stands some few yards from Asbury Hall, then the barn and stables on the old mansion's grounds. Grain, vegetables, and fruit were stored there. Beyond stood the apple orchard on the land which is now included in the Fairwoods residential section of Madison.

When Drew's first students arrived in 1867 the old granary was refitted for educational life, was named Embury Hall, after a well-known Methodist minister. During the first few years the building was used as classroom space and as a chapel. There was a large north room on the top floor. There the literary society held public sessions where orations and public debates were given. These were

the most popular public meetings given in Madison at that time.

In 1870 the classrooms were moved to Meade Hall and Embury became a dining hall and dormitory. It was described in an old Drew catalogue as "Containing the dining hall, society hall, matrons' apartments, and rooms for twenty students." In its kitchen was an ice box which continually ran out of that essential, usually on week-ends—during which time the food contained therein changed its physical and sometimes chemical state. Meat frequently changed complexion from red to green. Milk entered a solid colloidal state. As one alumnus says, "The food may be bad now, but it was far worse then." In fact, some students were known to have left because of the food situation.

In 1913 the present refectory was built, and Embury took on a variety of uses. A small section was set aside for hospital purposes but was rarely used except for medical examinations. On the ground floor today are the offices of the superintendent of grounds, and workshops now occupy the space once taken by Drew's first dining hall.

If I Want to Beat My Head On a Wall, It's My Business!

Five minutes ago, I was industriously grinding away on a malonic ester synthesis and had nearly accomplished the feat of memorizing it (with a minimum of peeking) when someone says: "Where's that story?" All of my pretty hydrocarbon chains disappeared into thin air. I argued and put up a good fight—with a test tomorrow and three finals Thursday and Friday I had to show some courage. After all, nobody reads anything but TRIVIA!

Anyway, it's just like I told the chief. This stuff about exams is nothing but a racket. A little graft here and there and the state hospital has some new inmates with nobody the wiser. Just look around! Some of the candidates already show signs of eligibility for further training in such institutions as Greystone. Haggard looks of desperation and despair, clothes buttoned up haphazardly or put on inside out, forgotten lipstick, bitten fingernails are all signs of progress.

For instance, there are Friedman and Feeley. For days they've been in hibernation with an alarm clock and a coffee pot. Most of the time they don't even go out for meals. I don't know what they're eating unless it is that huge heap of papers in the room. Maybe they can psychoanalyze themselves better with cellulose in their stomachs. (Incidentally, Dr. McClintock must be getting quite a cut. He's got a lot on his list.)

And speaking of papers, you should see the pile Loeber and Wood have stacked up between them! Now, you know that any normal person would have the decency not to poke their noses into

the private and intimate lives of some little old plant bug. To make it worse, they have the nerve to put it in black and white. Others like Wickham sit for hours cutting our flies and pasting them on paper.

Some of the faculty have a rather unique method. Knowing how students like to have their tests announced, they announce a test. Fine! Sooo—the students tear their hair, stay up all night, neglect other tests (not to mention their social life) and eventually memorize the whole term's work. They go to class, their nerves standing on end like a picket fence and their minds knotted up like bales of hay. The prof steps forward—there is no test! The human mind can stand just so much—few survive the blow.

Sometimes, several professors gang up on one or two individuals and work on a cooperative basis. Maybe give them three tests on the same day with a paper due and then two tests the next day. It's been done; just ask Ricky Crowley or Ann Pellet.

So you see, exams are nothing but a racket, a profitable one. If you don't study like mad you lose an "A" or a "B" or you flunk. You might even get kicked out. If you do study like mad you arouse the antagonism of your friends because you are deliberately trying them and you become a member of the D.A.R. (Dashed average raisers!) Oh, you may get your "A" but you can just as easily get a nice padded cell. But there is one consolation in the latter alternative—you don't have to eat in the refectory or pay tuition.