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Library Council To Install New Members

Library Council Supervises The Freshmen in the Many Library Tasks and Skills

Twenty-four freshmen are awaiting acceptance into membership of the Library Council. The Council is composed at present of seventy-two students. The potential members will be tested upon their knowledge of library work. The Council, through its various services, including supervision and engineering of the work; circulation and reference service; magazine selection; checking and filing; statistics; newspaper clippings; card revision and curriculum bibliographical work is the most important organ of the Library.

Those whom the Library Council is considering for membership are Margaret Auld, Murray Brooks, Stanley Buchner, Nicolina Commissa, Dorothy Davis, Charles Di Pace, Warren Donaldson, Beth Elridge, Myrtle Ellingham, Mary Gallitelli, La Verne Gilbert, Aaron Halpern, Harold Lehner, Martha Miles, Richard Parkes, Frances Power, Joanne Rokosny, Sylvia Schlenger, Florence Schultz, Dorothy Sehringer, Ruth Schwarz, Clement Tetkowski, Loretta Walsh, and Anna Williamson. These students will do their apprenticeship under the supervision of Miss Minnie Lipson and Miss Nancy Thompson, adviser of Council, within the next few weeks. At the end of that time they may or may not be admitted to the Council according to their ability to perform the tasks

Archery Club Host To Collegiate Meet

Eight Colleges To Compete May 13 at Branch Brook; 2 Events for Newarkers

DINNER TO FOLLOW

The Third Annual Invitation New Jersey Intercollegiate Archery Tournament will be held at Branch Brook Park on the second Saturday in May. The following colleges have been invited to participate in the Tournament given under the auspices of the Athletic Association: Glassboro, Jersey City, Montclair, Paterson, and Trenton State Teachers Colleges, New Jersey College for Women, and Panzer College of Physical Education. Eight girls from each College, including Newark, will participate. There will be a closed event for the men Archers from Newark Teachers.

Rounds will be the Columbian, 24 arrows at 30, 40, and 50 yards. Those women who do not participate in the chief event will take part in the closed meet for women of this College.

Mr. William Jackson, prominent National Archer, will act as Field Captain, and Mr. William Uhler, Assistant Supervisor of the Physical Education Department of New Jersey, will be an honored guest.

The newly-formed Archery Club of this College will act as Host at the dinner which will be given to all competitors and guests of the meet. The dinner will be held in the College Cafeteria directly following the meet.

Kappa Delta Pi Will Meet May 19 To Induct Officers

First Formal Dinner-Dance Of Delta Rho Will Be Held On Friday at The Brook

Benedict Pascucci will be inducted into office as president of Delta Rho Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi on May 19. Other officers who will be inducted at this time, as a result of elections held by the fraternity on April 21, are as follows: vice-president, Carolyn Byrd; historian-recorder, Caroline Jurke; corresponding secretary, Janet Krol; and treasurer, LeRoy Bohsen. Miss Byrd and Mr. Bohsen, who graduate in June, will represent the alumni members of Kappa Delta Pi on the Executive Board for the coming year. Dr. M. Ernest Townsend is Counsellor of the Newark Chapter.

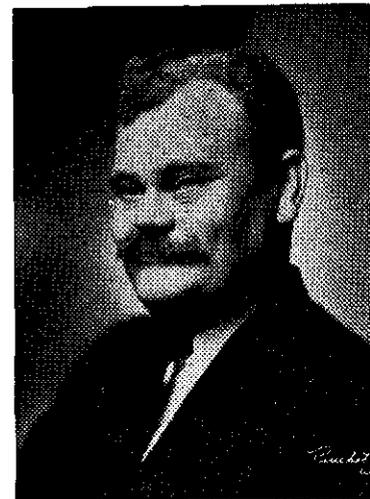
Retiring officers of Kappa Delta Pi are Emily Manganelli, president; Vincent Sarnowski, vice-president; Leonard Johnson, historian-recorder; Careta Dillinger, corresponding secretary and Saul Bosek, treasurer.

May 19 is officially designated as "guest night." A supper will precede events of the evening.

Delta Rho Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi will hold its first formal dinner-dance on Friday evening, April 28, at 8:30 in The Brook, Summit. Carolyn Byrd, chairman of the social committee, has charge of reservations.

Chapters of Kappa Delta Pi all over the United States are at present considering petitions for membership from the following schools of education:

Students Hear Pulitzer Prize Winner Read and Lecture on His Poetry



Pinchot, New York.

ROBERT P. T. COFFIN

Author of

"Collected Poems", "Lost Paradise", "Portrait of an American", etc. (Macmillan)

Dr. Givens Speaks At Annual Dinner

The annual Spring meeting of the northern section of the New Jersey Elementary Principals' Association will be held today, April 26, at three-forty o'clock in the auditorium.

Robert Tristram Coffin, A Rhodes Scholar, Has Received Many Awards

Contemporary Poet

Robert Peter Tristram Coffin, "The Virgil of Maine," was the featured guest in yesterday's assembly. Winner of the 1936 Pulitzer Poetry Prize for "Strange Holiness," Mr. Coffin recited a number of his poems and lectured on them.

He is a New Englander "by birth, by bringing up, and by residence." He went to a rural red brick schoolhouse which was bought in order to perpetuate his memories and to serve "as a monument of the boyhood of America."

Mr. Coffin received his higher education at Princeton, Bowdoin, and Oxford, where he was a Rhodes scholar. For thirteen years he taught English at Wells College and is now at Bowdoin as Pierce Professor of English. Among his many outstanding lectures are those given at Columbia, and the Turnbull Memorial Poetry Lectures, "New Poetry of New England," at Johns Hopkins University in 1938. He has been Phi Beta Kappa Poet at Harvard, Hamilton, Virginia, Colby, Tufts and Boston University, and has been made a life member of National

described. Among the activities in the library in which they will engage are the circulation of books from the main desk; work in the Reference Room; the preparation of new books; the arrangement of books on the instructors' Reserve Shelves; the binding of magazines and the assemblage of the Bulletin.

Alumni Active

After graduation many students join the Alumni group called "Friends of the Library" organized on March 16, 1936. This group, through its membership fee, assist the Library in its struggle for better equipment. Although there are no officers there is a "steering committee," composed of Miss Grace Almond, Miss Monica Flynn, Miss Dorothy Henning, Miss Helen Hutch, Mr. Leonard Johnson, Mr. Harry Katz, Mr. Elzada Reynolds, Mr. Frank Romano, Mr. George Stryker, Mr. Arthur Wenzel, Mr. Clarence Wilson, Mr. Walter Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Edward Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Zimmerman, which carries on the work.

PATRONS SPONSOR ANNUAL CARD PARTY

The annual card party sponsored by the Patrons Association will be held in the gym on May 3rd at eight o'clock. Receipts of the affair will go to the Patrons Scholarship Fund.

The Ladies' Committee of the Patrons Association composed of Mrs. David Hill, Mrs. Anthony O'Malley, Mrs. Cuthbert Eastment, Mrs. John McKenna, Mrs. John Swenson, and Mrs. James McDermott are arranging the program for the evening. The Student Council will assist the Patrons at the card party.

There will be a prize for each table and refreshments will be served. The price of the tickets is forty cents. "The annual card party is one of the most enjoyable social occasions of the year," says Miss Bertha Kain, dean.

awarded. These consist of a trophy for women, and twenty-five additional individual prizes.

Guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Zweidinger, Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D'Angola, Mr. Carl Weiss and Mr. William Uhler.

Epsilon Pi Tau Will Hold Annual Initiation May 17

The annual meeting and initiation of Omicron Chapter of Epsilon Pi Tau, the National Honorary Fraternity in Industrial Arts, will be held at the college on Wednesday, May 17. The initiation will take place in the Tudor Room at 5:00 P.M., followed by a dinner at 6:45 P.M.

Mr. John J. Hatch, sponsor of the fraternity, reports that about fifteen new members including some undergraduates will be initiated at this time. Officers for the year 1939-1940 will be elected and installed at this meeting.

Omicron Chapter of Epsilon Pi Tau was the first national Greek letter fraternity at Newark State Teachers College. Forty-five undergraduate and graduate students were initiated to chapter membership on December 12, 1936 at the Essex House, Newark, at the fraternities' first installation meeting.

The main purpose of Epsilon Pi Tau is research; therefore, meetings of the Omicron Chapter are devoted to the study of various problems in the Industrial Arts field.

A candidate for this fraternity must be in the upper quarter of his class, must be a skilled workman, and must be active in social life in the college.

Undergraduate members of Epsilon Pi Tau are: Richard Baldsiefen, LeRoy Bohsen, Edward Cahill, John Cloves, James McDermott, and Benedict Pascucci.

Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio; Southern Illinois State Normal University, Carbondale, Illinois, and Shepherd State Teachers College Shepardstown, West Virginia.

Student Experiment Proves Successful

During the past year a growing need has been felt by several students for improved public relations. Their experiments have successfully proved the value of a strong lasting organization.

Encouraged and guided by Mr. O'Brien and Dr. Shea the committee has planned for local news distribution. With money supplied by the Student Council they have gathered stories and mimeographed letters which are being mailed to fifty selected papers. Every Tuesday for the past seven weeks a letter has gone out. Personal contacts have been made in some localities.

At present, official recognition, complete organization and plans for the new year are keeping all members active. Next fall the committee hopes to continue and extend its newspaper work and to introduce other methods as well. If present plans materialize blue and gray transfers will be given to the entire student body. Other innovations will follow in the near future.

Helen F. Goldberg, Hugh Tunison, Ted Gabry and Marie Nagy are the present committeemen.

Group To Present Play

Thornton Wilder's "Pullman Car Hiawatha" will be presented by the Federal Theatre Group of Newark at the assembly on May 10. This play will be presented in one act. It requires little scenery, "is light, amusing and interesting in character and experimental in nature," according to critics.

will be emphasized. The 1939 bulletin of the Elementary Principals' Association on "Teacher Participation in Policy Making" will also be reviewed at this meeting. Dr. C. D. Boney will present a summary of the report. Miss Rita Hogan will respond for the teachers; Mr. Francis Budd for the principals and Mr. Wayne R. Parmer for the superintendents.

Dr. Willard E. Givens, Executive Secretary of the National Educational Association, Washington, D. C., and Dr. A. L. Threlkeld, Superintendent of Schools, Montclair, will be the guest speakers at the dinner meeting which will be held in the large dining room of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company.

Dr. Givens is a nationally-known educator and a member of the Education-Policies Commission, which recently published three volumes dealing with the unique functions of administration and the purposes of education in American democracy.

Choir and Glee Club To Sing at Conference

The College Choir and the College Glee Club will sing at the Elementary Principals' Conference this afternoon at three thirty o'clock in the Auditorium. They will repeat the selections sung at the Spring Concert. The selections include: "Mountains" by Rasbach-Aslanoff, two spirituals: "Little David, Play on Your Harp," arranged by Stevens, and "Heav'n, Heav'n," arranged by Pitcher; "I Love A Parade" by Harold Arlan and arranged by Walter Scotson; "Siciliano" by Bach; "Allegretto" by Godard; and "Unfold Ye Portals" from "The Redemption" by Charles Gounod.

During the Assembly Program on May 17, the Glee Club will repeat a number of the selections for the benefit of those students who were unable to attend the Concert.

Arts Club. He is a member of the Authors' Club and P. E. N., was National Honor Poet in 1935 and won the Golden Rose of the New England Poetry Society in 1936.

Poetic Beliefs

Mr. Coffin's avocations are writing, story-telling, gardening and fishing. He often draws the jacket designs for his own books. It is interesting to know that most of his writing is done late at night when "his children and neighbors are quiet."

Mr. Coffin believes that "poetry can be a public function as it was in ancient times." "Many best-known poets have given poetry a bad name with their sense of intellectual superiority, their retreat into patterns of disintegration and their sense of weariness or despair."

Among his favorite definitions of poetry are these: "Poetry is the art of making people feel good about living," and "A poem is saying the best one can say about life."

This modern American poet has been saying the best he could find to say about nature and life so that others might feel as zestful about them as he does himself.

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Informal Social at College Will Feature Maypole Dance

The Maypole Dance will be the main event of the informal dance to be held in the gym on Friday, May 12. All students and faculty members are invited to this dance which is being sponsored by the College Social Committee. Transportation bids may be purchased from any member of the committee for one dollar.

Thelma Swenson is chairman of the committee on arrangements, which also includes Bernice Doyle, Albert Brelsford, Arthur Earl, and James McDermott. Names of those serving on the sub-committee will be posted when chosen by the Student Council.

Sororities and Fraternity Plan Active Spring Programs

Formal Dinner, Roller-Skating, Supper Meeting, Picnic, Social Service Work And Luncheon On Social Calendars

Practicum duties have not curtailed the programs of the social organizations of our school, despite the fact that a large part of their membership is composed of Juniors. Some of the programs, in fact, are quite crowded with social dates.

Pi Eta Sigma sorority held its spring formal dinner at the McAlpin Hotel in New York City on April 1st. The affair was a "get-together" of all chapters of the sorority. Chapters represented were from Panzer, Rider, Jersey City State Teachers, Montclair State Teachers and Newark State Teachers.

Chairman of general arrangements was Helen Moskowitz. The committee assisting her included Dorothy Davis, Pearl Lindenbaum and Golda Walters.

The sorority has recently become affiliated with the Beth Israel Hospital in Newark. The members do volunteer social service work for the hospital during their free time. Their various duties include secretarial work, answering the telephone and entertaining patients.

At present, a committee is planning a chapter newspaper but the idea is still in an embryo stage.

The committee making plans and decisions is Peggy Cummins, Pearl Lindenbaum, Helen Moskowitz and Frieda Wishna under the chairmanship of Golda Walters.

The Alpha Theta Pi Sorority will

hold a supper meeting on May 9 at the home of its adviser, Dr. Marion E. Shea, at 371 Lake Street, Newark. Following the meeting a white elephant auction will take place.

On May 20th the group will hold its annual luncheon and theatre party in Newark. Plans are being made for a luncheon to take place at the end of the college year.

A roller-skating jamboree was held by the Omega Phi Sorority, Kappa Chapter, on Thursday evening, April 20th, at Dreamland Skating Rink. Theodora Yospin, Ruth Yurrow, Rosalyn Suskin and Sylvia Schlenger planned the program.

On Saturday afternoon, April 22nd, a Grand Council meeting, attended by all chapters, was held in New York. Members who represented the Kappa chapter were June Cohen, Grace Gelernter, Ruth Gladstone, Esther Kirsch and Cecile Mandelstein.

A picnic at High Point is scheduled for April 29 by the Sigma Theta Chi Fraternity. This event, an all-day affair, is open to all students of the college who desire to attend.

Some Juniors Are Practice Teaching Outside of Centers

This month the REFLECTOR is printing the names of those students whose names were not listed in the article on Junior practicum in last month's issue of the newspaper, due to lack of space. These students are doing their Junior practice teaching in centers other than the schools at Bloomfield, East Orange, Millburn, Roselle and Union.

General Students

Mary McRae and Bertha Overbey, General-Elementary Juniors, are practicing at the 18th Avenue School in Newark. Alma Williams, also General-Elementary, is at the Charlton School, also in Newark.

F. A. and T. A. Students

Industrial Arts students under Mr. Fred Richmond's supervision at East Orange are Thomas Gambino, Joseph Giunta, Leonard Hines and Edward Klingener. At Elizabeth Mr. Arnold Hess supervises the work of Edward Cahill, George Dorne, Elmer Kortman and Benedict Pascucci. Richard Baldsiefen, Norman Gathany, James McDermott and Lawrence Venables are at the Montclair center under Mr. Earl Page's supervision.

Students in the Fine Arts practicum center at East Orange under Miss Frances Mitchell are Kathryn Hallas, Toby Horowitz, Charlotte Lockwood and Genevieve Martinis. At Millburn under Miss Sybil Browne's supervision are Bernice Bingham, Frances Kerr, Agnes Kunz, Grace Gelernter and Paul Weisman. At Nutley are Regina Cahill, Marion Freedman, Charles Meyers, Doris Thomson and Alexander Borichevsky; they are supervised by Miss Lillian Acton.

Science Club Will Present W. C. Bettinson on May 3

The Woodward Science Club will have as its guest speaker during assembly period on May 3, Mr. Walter C. Bettinson of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company. Mr. Bettinson will present a sound motion picture entitled "Hurricane's Challenge" as well as a lecture on the "History of Communication," illustrated with colored slides.

Mr. Bettinson was so well received by members of the Science Club at a meeting held last month that they have invited him to return in order that those students who are not members of the club may also have an opportunity to hear him.

Club Members Observe At Horace Mann School

Business and pleasure were combined in this year's Psychology Club trip when its members visited the Horace Mann School, the campus of Columbia University, St. John's Cathedral and the Hotel St. George on April 11.

The trip to St. John's Cathedral was not a scheduled one, but was visited because the group was in its immediate vicinity. At the Hotel St. George a number of the group swam in the hotel swimming pool, while others visited throughout the building.

Forum Club Attends Play

"The American Way," starring Fredric March, will be attended by members of the Forum Club on April 28. Accompanying the group will be the club's Junior members, who at present are out in the practicum centers and Mr. and Mrs. John French. Mr. French is the club's adviser.

FACULTY AND STUDENTS VACATION IN EAST ONLY!

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have ever been discovered in New Jersey. Trying to find one is like taking a chance on a sweepstakes ticket. We bet that Mr. Kezer found the fourth mouse!

Now into our joyous Easter song there creeps a sad note. It pains us to record, that while our students were gaily roaming the countryside, and Mr. Kezer was blithely tripping through the budding woodlands, one member of our faculty spent his vacation in a perfectly horrible way. Poor Mr. MacMurray, also of the science department, had to stay home to study, in preparation for his doctor's degree. He was constantly haunted by the spectre of a stern-faced examining board, which will grill him sometime in May. When asked if he would roll them in the aisles with some of the famous MacMurray jokes, he sadly replied that he feared he would forget all the jokes he ever knew when he stood before that fatal judgment bar. It is a sad sight indeed to see the irrepressible Mr. MacMurray crushed in this manner. Never mind, Mr. MacMurray, what with comprehensives in the air the freshmen know just how you feel.—And they hope you will

know just how they feel when they stand trembling before you, sometime in the near future.

Far pleasanter was the vacation enjoyed by Mary Churinskas and Ann Pohl, general elementary sophomores. They left Newark by car for a trip to Virginia and Washington, D. C.

They have come back brimming with tales to tell. They climbed the Washington monument in 14 minutes, heard Marian Anderson sing at the Lincoln Memorial, got lost in the vast Library of Congress, had their finger prints taken in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and spoke with innumerable G-men and reporters. They saw the president, witnessed the egg-rolling on the White House lawn and declare that the skyline drive through the Blue Ridge Mountains is too beautiful for words.

Among their exciting visits was one to the Bureau of Printing where they saw stacks of ten thousand dollar bills in the making.

The travelers say that they met people from Texas, Canada, California, Michigan, as well as foreigners, and found people unusually courteous and friendly.

Novel Addition To Music Department

A novel collection is being added to the music department this spring. The use of children's musical instruments is being introduced to the music-teaching-methods courses.

The instruments are very simple and provide children with a series of tones arranged in space in a consecutive order which they can visualize, manipulate, imitate with their voices and associate with the staff symbols. Among those which are being illustrated are "The Chromatic Song and Chime Bells" which resembles a simplified xylophone; a "Tone Game," consisting of eight tone bars and a miniature instrument called "Melody Bells."

Additions to the library of recordings, which numbers to 500 records and 50 albums of symphonies, symphonic poems, concertos, sonatas and string quartets, is another feature of expansion in the department. Some of the recordings which have especially aroused enthusiasm are "The Fountains of Rome" by Respigli, "Mississippi Suite" by Grofe, excerpts from "Parsifal," "Die Walkeure" and records of Kirsten Flagstad in song.

New Books In Music Field

New collections of the music department do not stop at children's instruments and recordings but include new books written in the music field. Among those which have recently been contributed to the college library are "Composers in America" by C. Reis, "Of Men and Music" by Deems Taylor, "Music Since 1900" by N. Soloninsky, "Debussy, Man and Artist" by O. Thompson, "Metropolitan Opera, Grand," by the Metropolitan Opera Guild and "Modern Music, Its Aims and Tendencies" by R. H. Myers.

Mr. J. Hatch To Serve On National Committee

Mr. John Hatch has been asked to serve on a national committee with Dr. Ralph W. Swetman, Principal, State Teachers College, Oswego, New York, Dr. Heber A. Sotgin, State College, San Jose, California; and Dr. William E. Warner, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, to prepare a study on industrial arts in secondary schools. They plan to publish this study in mimeographed form and distribute it throughout the country. The American Industrial Arts Association is sponsoring this study as one of its three nation-wide researches.

Mr. Hatch will participate in the State Conference of all Supervisors of Industrial Arts at the Board of Education Offices in Montclair on May 10th. "Industrial Arts in Junior High Schools" will be the topic of discussion.

An Arthur Murray Student Divulges New Dance Steps

Mr. McGrath, a social dancing teacher from the Arthur Murray dancing institution at New York City was a guest instructor at Newark State Teachers College on Monday, April 17. He was procured for the explicit purpose of divulging all the latest swing steps to an eager and expectant extension class in social dancing. There was much commotion in our gymnasium as Mr. McGrath skillfully executed these tricky new steps. First came the "Glamor Glide." The couple stands apart, as in the open foundation step. Then they lean backwards, pointing the outside foot forward. Next they reverse their position, pointing the same foot backwards and leaning forwards. Lastly with the same foot step to the side, close, step. He also gave them tips on following and leading, then he taught them the Cookie Dance and the Lambeth Walk.

Guy V. Bruce Writes A Children's Science

"Children's Play At Science Series" Is Title of Seven-Volume Science Publication

Four hundred simple and carefully tested scientific experiments comprise the seven volume work, "Children's Play at Science Series" of Guy V. Bruce, head of the science department.

Mr. Bruce, contacting elementary school teachers, realized the need for simple and brief directions to aid them in carrying on a modern program in elementary science.

Shifting Education Trends

"The shifting trends in elementary education is calling for an adjustment from the remote areas of the earth both to the more immediate realm of the child's communal and natural surroundings. The educational setting is moving out from Jungle land, Eskimo land, Egypt and American Indian Life where the dominant medium has been that of verbal make-believe. It is becoming that of experiencing with actual phenomena, forces and real things."

Mr. Bruce feels that the teacher should use simple experimental activities to make the classroom work a challenging and creative function if he or she does not want the science aspect to degenerate into a purely verbal form of expression with much of the same old element of remoteness. Mr. Bruce fully appreciates the problems of the inexperienced teacher in this field and thus has used his own originality to simplify the work.

Student-Illustrated

The directions are brief and are illustrated very clearly by Albert Brelsford and Leon Miller, F. A. Seniors. The materials are the kind that can be obtained from the cellar, pantry, garage or hardware store. The results are obvious so as to impress the children.

N.J.S.T.C. Association Meets

The annual meeting of the New Jersey State Teachers College Association was held at Montclair State Teachers College on Saturday, April 22. Following the business meeting Dr. Charles H. Elliott, Commissioner of Education, and Dr. Robert H. Morrison, Director of Teacher Training in New Jersey spoke.

Speaker at the dinner meeting was Dr. Robert Gulick, a member of the group surveying education in the state of New York.

CURRICULA REVISION

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fortunate as to have an administration with foresight and a willingness to convene with the students to iron out difficulties and coordinate the minds and talents of the student body. This is certainly a grand opportunity for us to put into effect those theories which we feel can bear the full weight of close scrutiny and which will send us out better prepared for our specific jobs.

Students who compose the committee are: Seniors—Grace Bellina, LeRoy Bohsen, Roberta Bonker, Saul Bosek, Careta Dillinger, Iris Husband, Lillian Kent, Leon Miller, Irma Nagy and Boris Schwartz; Juniors—Grace Gelernter, Caroline Jurke, Janet Krol, James McDermott and Robert McKenna; Sophomores—Ambrose Corcoran, Arthur Earl, Seymour Gelbond, Ruth Gladstone and Estelle Heilbrun; Freshmen—Stanley Buchner, Phyllis Hazard and Frances Power.

Faculty members are Dr. M. Ernest Townsend, Miss Evelyn Bowman, Miss Lillian Acton, Miss Maude Barber, Miss Vera Brooks, Dr. Martha Downs, Mrs. John French, Mr. Arnold Hess, Mr. Earl Page, Dr. Lenore Vaughn-Eames and Dr. John P. Miligan, chairman.

AMERICAN POET SPEAKS

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Robert Coffin is one of the two or three American poets the National Council of Teachers of English has so far recorded on records for use in schools and colleges. He has made over thirty records of his poems for the Columbia University library of poets.

Mr. Coffin's latest publication is "Collected Poems" which brings together hundreds of poems from former volumes; also included are fifty of his most recent poems. Its preface is a manifesto of the poet's beliefs about poetry and life.

The charm of Mr. Coffin's poetry lies in the simplicity of his subjects, things that happen every day, and as Edward Larocque Tinker has said, "He wants poetry to be homely, easily understood, as useful as a skillet . . ."

He writes so lucidly about a rural, or apparently inconsequential subject, that one loves the poem as well as the poet instantly.

As a speaker Mr. Coffin has a warm, interesting personality that reflects itself on his audience. He has spoken before many college, school and club groups all over the country. As evidence of his ability to speak and his likeable manner he is in constant demand for reappearances.

Teachers Visit Here

Three instructors from the New Jersey State Teachers College at Glassboro visited the College on Friday, April 21, observing in classes similar to those they teach in their own institution.

Miss Parthenia Vander Mark, the art instructor at Glassboro, is a graduate of N. S. T. C., class of 1923. She went immediately to Room 37, where she received much of her undergraduate instruction in art, to observe Miss Frances Mitchell at work. Miss Dora McElwain visited Miss Kreiner's sophomore class in American Literature. Miss McElwain expressed the wish to see the REFLECTOR staff at work since she advises "The Whit" at her institution.

Mr. Samuel Witchell, of the history and social science department slipped into the rear of room 26 to listen to Mr. Hutchinson's class in American History



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Press Agents All

You have been reading your local papers. You have been reading about Newark State Teachers College in those same papers. We have evidence of the fact, because very often we hear the remark, "Oh, Mother spotted my name in the paper yesterday," or "Did you see that picture in the Sunday Call?"

We want our college to have publicity, not only because a college of prestige warrants it, but because the public is interested in its productive and educational organizations.

The press reports of our college are sent not only to Newark papers but to papers of fifty suburban towns. Your cooperation is needed to make the college publicity a success—to make it "felt."

This is how you can help: (1) When you read a write-up in your local paper, clip the article and drop it in the box marked "Publicity" in the office. In this way the college correspondent can check the results. If you choose to keep the article, a little note, naming the article, the newspaper and the date may be substituted. (2) Have you scanned your papers and found no "news" about the college? Then on a slip of paper write the name of your local paper and drop in the Publicity Box. (3) If you know of some event which you feel should have a press notice, simply make a note of the event, drop it in the Publicity Box and the correspondent will give it attention.

Let's stuff that box with all the Newark State Teachers College news we can find!

Curricula Revision

Curricula disussion is common where Newark students gather informally. Seldom does this subject pass unscathed in a good bull-session. Concrete evidence of its prominence is attested to be the letter to the editor published on this page.

The time has now arrived for action. Dr. John Milligan is chairman of the Curriculum Committee composed of twenty-three students, ten faculty members and Dr. Townsend who will meet today to discuss the problem of "Study and Revision of our Curricula."

A glance at the lists assures us that the choice of student members was well made and we feel that some real problems and down-to-earth opinions will be presented from the student standpoint. If nothing else can be hoped for, it will be an accomplishment that the faculty and administration will be definitely and officially confronted with student thoughts on the subjects so vital to us all.

We can all congratulate ourselves on being so
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New Jersey and the Eastern Coast Vie As Favorites For Easter Vacationists

"O'er hill and dale—" our students and faculty have traveled these past two weeks. With Spring in the air, the spirit of the gypsy infects us.

A land and sea trip of 1,200 miles was experienced by Mr. Arnold Hess of the Industrial Arts Department, and Miss Maude Barber of the Science Department and Juniors Marie Marquet and Betty Sawyer, together with twenty extension students. The group traveled as far south as Charleston, South Carolina, being entertained on the way by mayors of towns, chambers of commerce and colleges.

In North Carolina the travelers were invited to a Southern fried chicken dinner by the Elizabeth City Teachers College.

Visits to historic points and plantations were climaxed by a trip through the swamps and a dress parade at the Citadel, a private training school in Charleston. Here they met Postmaster Farley.

The trip home was made on a Clyde

Mallory Line Boat. Only one unhappy day was experienced by the group. That was the day of seasickness.

Kathleen James, kindergarten-primary freshman, spent her holidays getting sand in her shoes at the seashore. Or rather, strolling along the golden sand of the Jersey coast. Not a thing was moving, not only the sea, the sand, and the sky; but a nearby group of WPA workers as well. But all good things must come to an end, and now Kathleen is back with us.

When it comes to discovering a unique and interesting way to spend an Easter vacation, Mr. James Kezer of the Science department was outstanding. In fact, he was out standing in the wilds of North Jersey, looking for a woodland jumping mouse and an ambystoma opacum. If, by chance, you don't know what an ambystoma opacum is, may we explain that it is a type of salamander very rarely found in New Jersey? Only three

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What They're Doing—

Let's take a peep at N. Y. U. Look, everyone is stepping fast over there! How industrious! Well, I'll tell you why . . . The members of the student body are cooperating in a movement to raise money for the refugees. Incidentally, N. J. C. and Rutgers are also working towards a similar goal. Here is the three-fold program to raise money for this scholarship fund: students are voluntarily pledging money; a musical and a Teachers Prof. Quiz Contest will be held in the gym for a small fee; individual classes will make their contributions. The goal will be reached when the mercury on the wooden thermometer reaches the \$2,000 mark.

This issue has stimulated much controversy. "Why should we train foreign students to compete with our American students?" (What do you think about it?)

The students at the University of Minneapolis are fortunate. Before any outstanding concert is to be presented at the University, students are permitted to listen and watch the rehearsals free of charge. Recently the music lovers out there heard Charles Thomas, Grace Moore, Lawrence Tibbett and Paderewski.

Say, girls, here's a bit of news! The latest fad at Beaver is the substitution of large silver and gold safety pins for the traditional buttons on jackets, blouses and skirts. "Believe it or not," those pins glisten on the surface!

Alumni Notes

Many of our alumni have done important things these days and we're on their trail!

Arthur Wenzel, class of '37, has gone off the deep end and is honeymooning in the sunny south. Congratulations, Arthur, to you and the former Martha Curnow.

Joseph Pikus is also beginning to make a name for himself and if you will bear with us we'll explain Joe's plan to you.

Joe is writing letters to schools to describe to them his present trip in Mexico. He has sold many contracts to a number of elementary schools in New Jersey. His letters are to make the study of Mexico a real and lasting experience to the children.

At the present time he is in Mexico. If you would like to follow Mr. Pikus on his trip, perhaps Miss Nancy Thompson will let you take a peek at her copy.

Of course you all remember our friend Vincent Sarnowski, '38. He is now teaching Industrial Arts in East Hanover. He is also teaching Physical Education on a small scale. By that we mean he is instructing boys' basketball and a few other sports.

More wedding bells chimed clear and loud this Easter vacation. Charles Detgen, '36, a teacher in Plainfield, took the final step with Laura English, '35, who is a teacher in the Oranges.

Many Schools Throughout State Aided By Film Library Service

An unusual feature of our college is its Film Library Service. Instead of coming to borrow a book, one comes to borrow a movie.

If you are having a discussion in your geography, history, science or even clothing course you can, for fifteen cents, select a film from the library to illustrate the discussion.

The service, which is five years old, totals the lendings of 2,564 films to schools in various counties throughout New Jersey since its beginning. Mr. Fred M. Richmond of the industrial art department, secretary of the Library, states that the "Wheat to Bread" films lead in the number of showings, anthracite coal follows a close second and pasture films come in third.

Beginning of Film Service

"It was a hot day in June, 1933, that a representative group interested in a film distributing center in response to an invitation from Dr. M. Ernest Townsend, president of the college, met to consider such a plan."

The idea arose out of the need for the procuring of films easily and quickly at minimum cost.

Libraries and museums had only a limited number which were in constant demand, while commercial services charged \$5.00 per day.

The group that put their ingenuity together and created the library consisted of:

Miss Diana Bowen, Hillside; Mr. K. A. Woolf, Tenafly; Mr. Hollingshead, East Orange; Mr. C. D. Boney, East Orange; Miss Lilla E. Payne, Essex County; Mr. C. L. Johnson, Caldwell; Mr. V. L. Applegate, Sterling; Mr. Andrew Sloan, N. S. T. C.; Mrs. Jane Plenty, N. S. T. C., secretary.

Membership Open To All Schools

The plan invites membership of any schools with the contribution of a film to the service and \$10 charge to cover postage and repair necessary for lending. Each borrower may keep a film for one week.

To any on the college staff or students, there is a fee of \$.15 for the use of each film. Fred Christoffel, I. A. senior, and Arthur Benson, I. A. sophomore, are the repair men.

FROM THE EDITOR'S MAILBOX

To the Editor:

We are under the impression that the college newspaper is a voice for the students. If so, we should like to voice an opinion, which is not ours alone, but that of our fellow students.

We feel that the organization of our schedule need to be improved. We are of the opinion that nine or ten courses of one and two hours result in a diffusion rather than a unification of our work. The carrying of too many courses gives us a scattered, dissatisfied feeling.

It seems as though no subject is covered thoroughly; we have too many "little" things on our minds.

Our enjoyment of the courses would be greater if we could take fewer courses and spend more time upon those few. For example: we could concentrate on English and history during our freshman year and then perhaps, concentrate on the sciences and music during the second year, instead of scattering the four subjects throughout the two years.

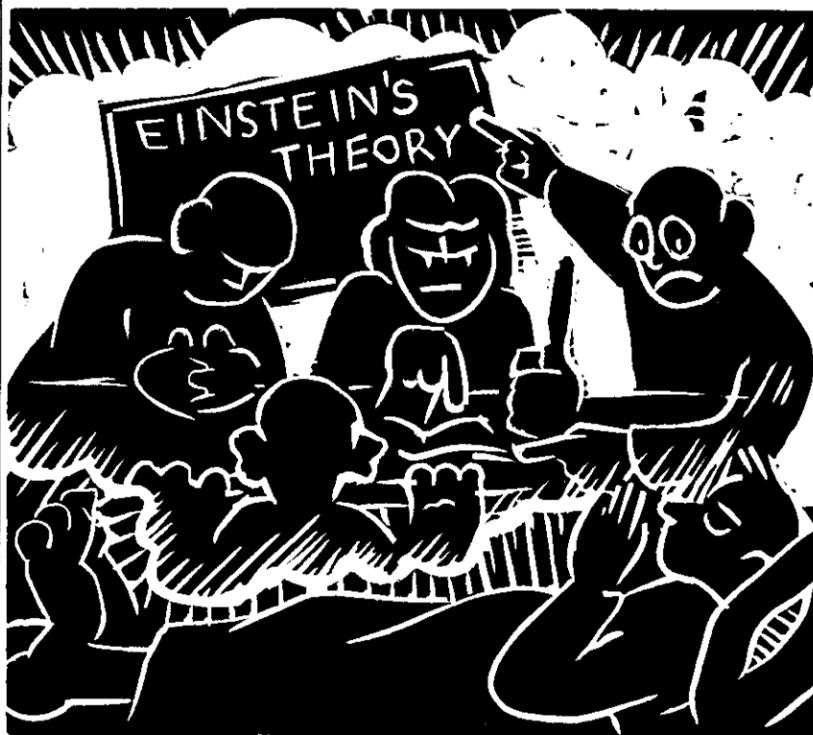
We realize that the problem is quite complicated and cannot be solved as easily as the above example would indicate.

Within our limitations as students, we shall be glad to be of whatever help we can, should any steps be taken to simplify our program.

Respectfully yours,

Irene Archy
Anne Pohl
Mary Churinskas
Helen F. Goldberg

Comprehend?



Vincent Beebe

Senior Women, Junior Men Victorious in Intramural Volley Ball Tournaments

Senior Now Undefeated; Frosh Men Emerge Second; Freshmen Women Crushed

By virtue of three wins at the expense of Sophomore, Senior and Freshmen teams, the Juniors have emerged from the annual volley ball tournament undisputed as well as undefeated champs. As practicum dictated that the Juniors finish their games early, their dominance soon decided the tournament. However, there were two places still to be fought for.

Zweidinger Coaches
The untried Freshman team, under Mr. Zweidinger's able coaching, finished in second place, after losing badly to the seasoned veterans on the Junior team.

The story of the Senior and Sophomore teams is somewhat different. After having been beaten twice by Juniors and Freshmen, the two teams were scheduled for a match on April 20. Neither class had a team prepared to play, thereby creating a double default. This eliminated a need for a fourth place as Sophomores and Seniors came through for third place.

Games Summarized
A short summary of each game follows: Freshman-Sophomore — the Freshmen were handed this game, as the Sophs failed to have a team on the floor. Junior-Senior—Eight points was the best that the Seniors could do as the Juniors "steam roller spiked" through straight games. 15-5, 15-8 was the final score. Freshmen-Senior—After dropping the first game 15-3, the Freshmen pulled themselves together to subdue the battered Senior team, 15-5, 15-10. Sophomore-Junior—The Juniors continued winning at the expense of the Sophs, again in straight sets, 15-5, 15-4. Freshman-Junior—Since both teams were previously undefeated, this game was exciting. The first game was taken by the Juniors by a 15-4 count. The Freshman team back-lashed to come through with a close 10-15 win. Careful team work and good play characterized the last game, which ended 15-8, making the Juniors school champions. This left only one game, Senior-Sophomore, to be played.

The winners of the Women's Intramural Volley Ball Tournament as now stands are the Seniors, Juniors, and

Sophomores. All three teams have won two out of three matches; only the Freshmen, who lost all three of their matches, have been eliminated from the tourney. If the Juniors had not been forced to default to the Sophomores through deficient number of girls for the team, it is highly probable that they would have defeated the Sophomores that day thereby eliminating the latter from the tournament. When the Juniors played the Sophomores on default with two substitutes from the Sophomore team they overwhelmed the Sophomores, winning a cold victory. We have also reasons to believe that the Sophomores have the weaker team since the Seniors who were defeated by the Juniors in a 15-16, 21-15, and 18-11 match, won a 27-14, 24-10 game from the Sophomores.

Three Way Tie
The Seniors who were rendered enthusiastic by their triumph are anticipating a return game with the Juniors who are now at practicum. However, they may be robbed of their anticipated game for since the Sophomores are in the running the situation becomes complicated. A lack of time will prevent the continuance of the round-robin game. There are two alternatives. Either the winning team will be chosen from the hat, or all three teams will meet and have a sudden death play-out.

Explains Defeat
Coach Zweidinger has the answer to the crushing defeat of the Freshmen. He remarked at the end of the last Freshman game when the Freshmen were wondering about the 27-10 game which the Sophomores won from them, that the Freshmen hugged the base line, as well as the net. The majority of the balls fell in the middle of the court.

Six Leading Girl Archers Will Compete at Trenton

The six girls who prove themselves expert "bow and arrow" marksmen by totaling the highest scores at the Annual New Jersey Intercollegiate Archery Tournament which will be held May 13 at Branch Brook Park, will be transported to Trenton for the purpose of competing in the Archery Play Day at that college on May 20.

Seniors Testify To Value Of Our College Sports Program

Among the many interesting and beneficial phases of our college life, sport activities hold an important place. Here are some of our Seniors who will qualify this statement.

James Noble, is one who has been prominent in a number of sports in our school. He was a member of the basketball team for two years, and played on the tennis team the first year it was organized. In the field of intramural sports he has played one year of basketball, and four years of softball and volley ball. In commenting on intramural sports he said, "I think we should keep stressing intramural sports in school, and offer prizes or trophies for winning teams. This would advance the cause of sportsmanship and general interest in sports."

Harry Siegel may also look back on his sports activities with satisfaction. Much of his time has been given to varsity tennis, which he has played for three years. His intramural sports have included basketball, volley ball, and deck tennis. He agreed that the policy of sportsmanship stressed by our school is beneficial to the students. He stated that after graduating he

would like to coach any sport in the school where he was teaching.

Joe Martin is a student who has been very prominent in the sports life of N.S.T.C. He has been an outstanding member of our basketball team for the past four years. In intramural sports he has also been very active. He has played four years of volley ball, soft-ball, two years of deck tennis and one year of shuffleboard. Last year he won second place, along with Saul Boser, in the horseshoe tournament. Outside of school one of Joe's main interests is baseball, and he plays with Linden A. A., a semi-pro city team. He is very enthusiastic about baseball and emphatically said, "I think we ought to have a baseball team in our college, if possible." He also said that he would welcome the opportunity to coach baseball, along with his teaching position.

These are only a few of the many students that participate in the various sports of our school. But as Seniors, they are especially qualified to testify to the value of college sports. This they have done in an enthusiastic manner.

SporTopics

Those in our Junior practicum who are practice teaching at the Washington Avenue School in Union will battle in a post-season basketball game. Their opponents will be the Principal, the Janitor, and several of the faculty. These bold lads are: Saul Guritsky, Al Shargel, Nat Silverman, Ben Klein, Bill Bolger, and Cyril Levy.

Have you heard that Mr. D'Angola is designing a new style medal to replace the obsolete fashions? This one style of medal will be awarded to winners in all dual intramural sports.

Perhaps all that wood reclining on our ping-pong balcony has been puzzling you. During the summer it will be used to lav a new gymnasium floor.

"Wild Cats" of Joe Martin clawed the "Ace-ses" of D. G. in a wild basketball game on the Monday following Easter. They, of the basketball team, had all gathered in the gym to go to Lavallette with Mr. Zweidinger's counselling group. But the trip was called off because of inclement weather.

Add to the list of subjects being taught by the Juniors in the Millburn center, that of coaching softball. Al Greenbaum and Abner Benisch are coaching the Washington School's 5th and 6th grade teams, respectively. Benisch's team is leading in the sixth grade inter-school tournament. The two Newarkers will jointly coach the varsity team.

Paul Weisman takes time out from his arts activities to coach the South Mountain School's sixth grade soft-ballers in the town tournament and will later direct the varsity team.

The baseball craze is beginning again. It's breaking out in the gym in the form of "fly catcher up." Tuesday afternoon, April 18, after a volley ball tournament game between the Seniors and Freshmen, six or seven of the players remaining to play a rotation baseball game.

And now comes the startling news that one of the Junior Fine Arts girls has a brother who is a contender for the heavy-weight boxing title. At least that was the reaction of one little fourth-grader in Millburn when he first heard Grace Gelernter's name. His entire class was sadly disappointed when they found out she wasn't Tony Galento's sister.

Table Tennis Team Making Best of Difficult Schedule

Although the Table Tennis team has been trying hard, they are encountering difficulties this season. Their first two matches were played with Wallace and Tiernan, Inc., a manufacturing concern located in Newark. At the end of each match Newark State Teachers College found itself on the short end of the score. The first game ended with a 5-4 tally and the second with a 7-2 count. In a recent game with Newark College of Engineering, the Newark State Teachers fared no better, losing both matches by a 6-3 score. Rutgers School of Pharmacy, their following rivals, came through with an unusually good team to subdue the Teachers 6-1. Their next opponent will be the formidable Panzer team. The schedule then calls for a return game with Rutgers, and a closing game with Paterson State Teachers College.

The team is comprised of the outstanding players who competed in the recent open Tennis Table tournament. Joe Sollish is the number-one man, followed by Aaron Halpern, Cyril Levy, Nat Silverman and Charles Meyer.

Ping Pong Tourney For Women Closes

Gurka and Bingham Steal First and Second Place

Dorothy Gurka and Bernice Bingham won the Women's Table Tennis Tournament medals for 1939. Marjorie Binz held third place on default as Gladys Hedden and Cecile McSheen who were both not able to play their match in the final round were obliged to default to her. However, Marjorie Binz might have been able to defeat the winner of that match and held third place without default in the deciding round-robin series.

The Women's Table Tennis Tournament has been in progress since the end of February. There were twenty-six entrants for the contest this year. The Freshmen showed up strong as nine of them entered the fight only to be eliminated in the first round. They were topped in numbers only by the Juniors who presented the invincible number thirteen; two individual winners are Juniors. Also, our last year's table tennis champion, Rose De Luca, is a Junior this year. The Seniors were represented by four players, and there were no Sophomores in the match. In 1940, individuals from this year's Freshman class may offer next year's Seniors, the class of outstanding ping-pong players, some real competition. To many of the Freshmen, the table tennis tournament has served to stimulate a real interest in Ping-Pong.

Play Industrial Teams

Women's Table Tennis has not been limited to merely a N.S.T.C. Table Tennis Tournament. A team was organized and sent to play two matches with women employed in the Newark factory, Wallace and Tiernan, Inc. They took us over in one match, and we retaliated by winning the next time we visited them. N.S.T.C. girls who played in these matches were Dorothea Gould, Hazel Carr, Marjorie Binz, Helen McNeely, and Doris Menig.

New Tennis Team To Start Practice at City Courts

Along with the beginning of the fourth quarter of our school year also begins the building of this year's tennis team. Expectations are high for a "super" team as candidates for the team have shown themselves excellent in quantity as well as in quality. Yes, we are talking about the boys who have been whacking the balls around in the gymnasium, and thereby interfering with your dancing. You will soon have the gymnasium back, because they are starting practice at the city courts this week. This practice will have to be quite intensive as the season open Saturday, April 29, at Montclair.

Because of practicum, Joe Sollish will be unable to play with the tennis team this year. Abner Benisch and Bert Levison will both make efforts to keep away from the practicum long enough to help out the team. Benisch will play in the top position

Newark Women Attend N.J.C. Play Day

New Brunswick College Scene of Sports Day; Next One at Jersey City

On April 22 sixteen girls traveled by bus to the New Jersey College for Women at New Brunswick to spend an afternoon of play at sports. The sports activities were followed by a refreshment party. Sports which were featured on this afternoon were archery, fencing, tennis, swimming, and volley ball. From our school Diana Pitten, Careta Dillinger, Madge Madison and Thelma Swenson represented us at archery; Anna Pohl and Estelle Heilbrun, fencing; Joanna Mead, Florence McClure, La Verne McManus, and Irene Gann, swimming; Mildred Seeger, Gladys Hedden, Louise Bardos, and Frances Snook, volley ball.

Jersey City State Teachers College has invited us to a play day at their college this coming Saturday, April 29th. They requested two girls for archery; eight girls skilled in badminton, paddle tennis, and ping pong. The party following the sports activities will be run on the Scotch theme. The entire play day extends from one o'clock to four-thirty. Barbara Hendry, Betty Hooper, Dorothy Hollis, Olive Simmonds, Carolyn Miller, Anette Savino, Virginia Lewis, Irene Puzniak, Ruth Rinker, and Anna Conklin are those who will attend from our college.

Seniors Attend Conference

Roberta Bonker and Edith Israel attended a conference on World Christianity at the home of Mrs. W. E. Scarritt at Hutton Park, West Orange, on Sunday, March 26. Representatives from various colleges were entertained at the conference in the morning, and were also guests at a luncheon. The speakers for the day were Miss Ruth Ransom, Personnel Secretary for the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions; and Miss Harriet M. Howey of Turkuoka Junior College in Japan.

again this year followed by Siegel, Bowne, Biz, Levison, and Belikov.

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