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## DR. BARTON TRANSLATES HITTITE LAW CODE

Ex-Member of Faculty Discovers  
Long Sought Key to Ancient  
Aryan Tongue

### IMPORTANT CLUE TO HISTORY

Translation of the Hittite language, long one of the greatest of archaeological problems, has lately been accomplished by Dr. George A. Barton, for nearly thirty years professor of Biblical Literature and Semitic Languages at Bryn Mawr, and now professor of Semitics at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Barton has translated 200 Hittite laws, one of the oldest codes in existence, dating as it does from the fourteenth century B. C. His achievement proves that the Hittites were kin to the Teutons and Celts and ancestors of the Greeks and Romans.

According to Dr. Maynard, present professor of Semitic languages at Bryn Mawr, the translation of the code is important first because it reveals the customs and legal institutions of the Hittites, and, second, because it may change our whole conception of the origin of the Indo-Europeans. Hitherto, he said, we have known the history of Egypt and Babylonia, but the history of Asia Minor and of the Hittites, the friends and kinsmen of the defenders of Troy, has been a blank to us.

Dr. Barton came to Bryn Mawr in 1891. He offered a vast variety of courses, including Oriental History, History of Religion, Christian Doctrines, Oriental Archaeology, Hebrew, Sumerian, Assyrian, Arabic, Aramaic, Syriac, Ethiopic and Egyptian. Moreover, in spite of his extraordinary wide research work, he never failed to find time to lead morning chapel.

His researches covered Old and New Testament criticism, Hebrew philology and archaeology, Phoenician inscriptions, Hittite and Sumerian lore. Some fifteen books, a mass of original material which it would have taken at least three average scholars to produce, embody his work. The "Sketch of Semitic Origins, Social and Religious," established his position among Semitic scholars in 1902 and still remains the best book on the subject.

He has made especially important contributions to Assyriology by his work on "The Origin and Development of Babylon Writing." "Archaeology and the Bible" is a standard work because the most comprehensive of its kind, throwing new light on the Bible and the Hebrews.

### 'SCONSET SUMMER SCHOOL OFFERS INFORMAL DISCUSSION AND PLAY

At Sconset School, to be held at Siasconset, Massachusetts, this summer, young people from the various colleges will have an opportunity of discussing their ideas with men and women who are actually living them.

The colony is located on Nantucket Island, and has at its disposal the Tavern-on-the-Moors and cottages. In the ten weeks of the session, many subjects will be discussed, falling into four groups; Science, Philosophy, and the New Psychology; Literature, Drama and the Fine Arts; History, Politics, Economics, and International Relations; and the School of Opinion. Some of the speakers are: Alexander Meiklejohn, Sinclair Lewis, Heywood Brown, and Herbert Adams Gibbons. Beside discussion, there will be informal talks, and athletics during the day.

## VESPERS LED BY PRESIDENT OF CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

New Officer Discusses Aims  
of Association

M. Stewardson, '25, recently elected president of C. A., speaking in vespers in the cloisters on Sunday, said that she wanted the Christian Association to give everyone an opportunity to form and express her ideals.

"We all get tired of hearing about the youth movement," she began, because we are apt to consider it a machine-like organization. It is not really an organization, but merely various groups of people in various countries, finding out what they are trying to do and then attempting it, it is an ideal. Whether we like the sound of the Youth Movement or not, those in it have something we lack. They are self-conscious in the best way, for they know what they are trying to do. Nothing forces us to think. We get along rather nicely, just existing. The name "Commencement" for the day we leave, is surely a reflection on college, for it seems to say that "Life begins where college ends."

Personally I shouldn't mind if the Christian Association should cease to exist, she continued, provided something that was better fitted to people's needs grew up. People worry about an organization. Any association that is worried about is not worth having. If everyone tried to find her ideal and live it the Christian Association would be magnificent. The Christian Association is based on very high ideals—thought and Christian work; which I interpret to mean that we should endeavor to find what we are to do and then try to do it. We live in a muddled-up world for which we have to work. We can't all de-

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## STUDENTS INVITED TO ATTEND SUMMER COURSES IN MEXICO

Friends' Service Committee Offers  
Opportunity

During the past four years the University of Mexico has conducted a Summer Session, with unusual advantages for American students who wish to become better acquainted with Mexican life.

Courses are given in elementary, intermediate and advanced Spanish; in the history, geography and literature of Latin America and Spain, as well as in such fields as archaeology, folk-lore and politics.

Special opportunities are afforded students of the Summer School under the direction of trained guides to visit places of interest near the City of Mexico. Excursions are made to pyramids, volcanoes, monasteries or Indian villages.

A tuition fee of \$30 entitles students to register for four or more courses. Living accommodations can be obtained for from \$2.50 to \$4.00 a day. Special rates can be arranged for transportation by railroad or by steamship companies.

Students or teachers interested in the 1924 Summer Session are asked to consult the nearest Mexican Consul or write to "The Mexican Consulate, New York City" or The American Friends' Service Committee, 20 S. Twelfth St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Grove Thomas, '26, was elected Treasurer of the Christian Association at a meeting held last Wednesday. At the meeting held on Monday, M. Z. Pease, '27, was elected Secretary, A. Pantzer, '25, first Senior member of the Board, and W. Dodd, '26, first Junior member.

## PLANS FOR SPEAKERS' BUREAU DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE

Delegates Propose Organization with  
Salaried Executive

Meeting in New York last week-end, a Conference of college students discussed plans for organizing an Intercollegiate Speakers' Bureau, to procure speakers for undergraduate clubs at a small cost.

Delegates attended from six Eastern colleges: Bryn Mawr, Haverford, Swarthmore, Union Theological Seminary, Columbia and Goucher. The Bryn Mawr Liberal Club was represented by F. Briggs, '25.

The delegates agreed that the Bureau should be under the management of a salaried Executive Secretary, who should attempt to secure better speakers for undergraduate organizations at lower costs. Speakers who are interested in political, economic and sociological subjects are desired. According to the proposed plan any speaker on one of these topics who is visiting a certain locality shall be invited by the Bureau to speak, in the interests of education, at those college clubs in the neighborhood which belong to the Bureau.

To finance the organization a sum of \$2000 is needed. It is estimated that if fifty clubs should join, each paying an initiation fee on a graduated scale according to the number of members, about \$500 could be raised. The other \$1500 must be contributed by private subscription.

Another Conference will be held in New York next week-end to discuss further plans. An Executive Secretary will be elected at this meeting and a committee of nine nominated to supervise the work of the Secretary and offer suggestions as to desirable speakers.

## THE REV. PHILLIPS DISCUSSES RELIGION AND THE STUDENT

Science Cannot Take Place of  
Religion in World

The Rev. Harold Cook Phillips, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Mount Vernon, New York, spoke on the place of religion, in the life of a student, in Chapel, Sunday evening.

Students often ask, "What is religion?" he began, for they have not a very high opinion of it. To them it is "a thing which originates in ignorance and thrives among the uneducated." They believe that religion has served its function in life and that science will take its place. This view is the "index of a shallow and immature mind." Religion is the power that interprets life. "We have now become so intelligent we almost believe science can take religion's place, forgetting that as Professor Thompson says, "Science and religion are incommensurable." Science gives us facts, but religion gives them meaning.

Religion can direct life, he continued. All of us admit there is a right and a wrong road. In so doing we grant our approval of religion, for it is the "signpost in life." Education, though it gives power, can, unless rightly guided, do us more harm than good.

The victory over life is given to us by religion. It can teach us to face our problems without submitting to them. We create many artificial ones in college, but both here and outside we always meet the problem of sin, "the greatest enemy of progress." Religion can not only teach us to conquer this, said Mr. Phillips, but also to surmount "the troubles and tragedies" of life.

## "SUNNY JIM" AWARD TO BE ANNOUNCED TOMORROW

Has Been Given Since 1905 in  
Memory of Mary Helen Ritchie,  
an Alumna at Bryn Mawr

### OTHER PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

Graduate and undergraduate scholarships and prizes will be awarded in Chapel tomorrow morning.

The Mary Helen Ritchie prize, or "Sunny Jim" was given in memory of Miss Ritchie, who obtained her degree from Bryn Mawr, and spent three years in the graduate school, being awarded the resident fellowship in Latin. In 1899 she was appointed secretary of the college, serving in the position now held by Miss Edith T. Orlady, when Miss Orlady herself was a student. She resigned her position after five years, owing to reasons of health, and together with Miss Helen Hoyt obtained a farm near Bryn Mawr and experimented in pheasant raising. One day when she and Miss Hoyt were out driving, their horse ran away and threw them out. Miss Ritchie fell and was seriously injured. She was taken to the Bryn Mawr Hospital, where she developed lockjaw and died on February 1, 1905.

The scholarship was given in Miss Ritchie's memory and was to be awarded to the Senior most like Miss Ritchie. The faculty on the committee awarding the prize are supposedly those who knew Miss Ritchie in college. This accounts, in part, for the frequent disagreement in the past between the faculty and Undergraduate members on the committee. The one being guided by an actual acquaintance with Miss Ritchie, only had a conception of what such a prize should stand for. Undergraduate opinion has passed through various phases. Several years ago it was looked upon as a "hard luck" prize, given to one who had had hardships and borne them bravely. Later it was designated as a reward for "faithfulness and efficiency." President M. Carey Thomas in an address delivered at a memorial service held at Bryn Mawr College, on February ..., 1905, said, "I had the privilege of knowing Miss Ritchie only as a student and in her business life, and yet in the daily companionship of the office during five years those of us who were associated with her in the administration of the college came to know her well and admire her much. In very many respects Miss Ritchie was the type of what I hope that Bryn Mawr graduates may become after they leave the college, and I like to think that some of her fine

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### STUDENT AND INDUSTRIAL GROUP SENDS DELEGATE TO CONVENTION

At the National Convention of the Y. W. C. A. which is being held in New York this week-end one of the subjects under discussion will be groups where students and industrial girls meet together.

Under the leadership of E. Briggs '24 and Miss Meyette, of the Manayunk branch of the Y. W. C. A. in Philadelphia such a group has been meeting on alternate weeks during the winter. This body, composed of Bryn Mawr undergraduates and working girls has been invited to send a delegate to the convention, and those Miss Freda Kieler, of Philadelphia, as its representative.

1924 has elected A. Shiras, Toastmistress and R. Pearce, M. V. Smith and M. Woodworth as the Committee for the Senior Banquet.

M. Buchanan '24 has been chosen for the Tree Committee by the Senior Class.

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### WILL IT WORK?

Theoretically the idea of an Intercollegiate Speakers' Bureau seems excellent; no doubt it would be easier and better if we could get famous speakers in that way. Like any agency such an institution would facilitate the procuring of men, who would really be worth while and could give us new thoughts and ideas worth having. However, the immediate difficulty, as with so many excellent projects, is the gathering of sufficient funds to start the Bureau as a working proposition; and this would require quite a large amount for capital. For there are few great men and famous speakers, no matter how lofty their sociological ideas may be, who would be willing to talk at colleges for a comparatively small sum furnished by the Bureau. It would have to be a sure, well-backed thing, requiring perhaps an actual endowment, which is ever hard to find.

### HOPE

A ray of hope now shines for all the supporters of peace. We who have been discouraged by the constant rebuffs those against war have suffered may rejoice. The horizon is still dark, but we can lighten our despondency with the glad thought that our ranks are swelling. Thousands of women are joining the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. The streets are full of those who wear the little button, which shows us their protest against war. The League will open its fourth biennial congress in Washington this week, to which thirty-six countries are sending delegates to discuss a "new international order in its political, economic and spiritual aspects. After the congress many of the foreign delegates are planning to speak at the International Summer School in Chicago, from May 17 to May 31. May their influence be wide!

### INTERNATIONALISM

A step forward to the coveted international relations that most of us think very valuable is the news of the loan of the United States of the *Hermes* of Praxiteles by Greece in her new capacity of republic. They only ask that we have it publicly exhibited, for which purpose they will send a scholar to travel with it, and lecture on it, and it is probable that they will want a warship to transport it. This does not seem too much to ask, and it is to be hoped that it can be brought across without the usual delay, for such an offer is as unusual and as flattering as would be our offering the Liberty Bell.

### A UTOPIAN IDEAL

Through long centuries of painful evolution we have achieved an order of things in which each branch of human endeavor is carried on under more or less expert direction. Our militaristic yearnings are tenderly fostered by institutions such as West Point, Sandhurst, Annapolis and unnamed others. Each special form of religion is zealously guarded and long and careful preparation is a necessary preliminary to filling a position of dignity and responsibility. The amount of training required to gain a position of any magnitude in business is stupendous. The heads of trusts or corporations are experts, their eyes are open to every phase of a situation. They have full comprehension of the forces playing with or against them.

Why would it not be possible to give our statesmen, diplomats, and lesser officials the same thorough preparation for their positions? As it stands now a man is elected to office and then left to shift for himself. Often his knowledge and experience are limited to one particular field; he has had no previous experience relating to the new duties devolving upon him. This seems a practice lacking in the high degree of efficiency which is the *sine qua non* of other divisions of human affairs. Perhaps the day will come when young men and women before holding office will go to colleges specially designed to prepare them for public office. As a possible future solution, competitive examinations and a thorough background may be established as requisites for all aspiring officeholders.

### To the Editors of THE NEWS:

"Such conferences, of course, seem to me one of the amusingly futile creations of this conferential age"—this was given me as honest opinion anent the Interracial Conference held at Swarthmore April 11, 12, and 13, but went on in conclusion to amend, "but the problem is one well worth thinking about."

That's just it—we as intelligent people must think about problems so that later on we can act. Faced with a problem like that of race it seems that the thing to do is to talk it over, and how can that be done adequately except in conference?

It is in conferences that you can say what you honestly think with the best assurance of its having some effect. It is in conferences that the ever present other side can get counter-opinions at first hand, and the process is reciprocal. The Swarthmore conference, small as it was and unofficial, did not, to use general terms, "accomplish" anything. That is to say, no immediate and transcendent measures ensued, but what seems to me all important an intellectual road was opened. White men and women talked with black men and women about an interactive problem. There was on the whole little argument and surprisingly little idealizing; facts were earnestly hunted for and honestly looked at. For a good many people there the experience of meeting negroes as thinking being to thinking being was new. We learned at first hand something of that often referred to intelligensia of the black race—and were forced to recognize them as our equals.

This method of procedure seems to me to be the sensible starting point for a working out of any problem, for patently the individual cannot run the world—by these student conferences we will be able to amalgamate our student opinion so that having "gone into the world" we can act

upon it—the preliminaries being at least started.

I think that any one who was present at a meeting of the Interracial Conference will agree or admit that a step forward was made—not perhaps in the great national and international question of black and white, but in the segment of it that is ours. And each segment so treated again and again will eventually, of course, make one big step.

DEIRDRE O'SHEA, '26.

### BOOK REVIEW

*Notes on My Youth*; Pierre Loti, translated by Rose Ellen Stein. Doubleday, Page and Co.

From the exclusively literary point of view it seems regrettable that these posthumous fragments of Pierre Loti's diary, interspersed with letters to and from his friends, should have been translated.

The charm of his style lies in a smooth flow of words, rich in sound suggestion, for which the French language is peculiarly fitted. In English this effect is lost. One misses the sensuousness of his descriptions. Words remain, but their power has decreased. The descriptions, magical in the original, become, in translation, somewhat affected and unconvincing statements of fact.

But from the personal and documentary side this book is importantly revealing. It discovers Pierre Loti's true reactions to the sequel of his episode with Aziyadé, recorded in his novel of that name; it brings forward *Mon Frère Yves*, and other characters of his autobiographical novels, as actual figures in his life. We watch such high lights of his emotional and tempestuous youth as his acrobatic performance in a country circus before an enthusiastic and amused audience of friends.

There are passages of self-revelation: "I have no feeling for occidental Europe where I have found nothing but disappointments. Even before Islam had won me over so completely, I already wanted to leave . . . I hate what is known conventionally as civilization and theories of equal rights, and so I will take refuge in the old Orient, far from steam-engines, from social pettinesses, and from the common places of progress. If I can't be of the nobility over there very well, then, I will be of the people, a *banakak*, but I will have my corner in the sun and my share of the liberty which falls to the lot of the energetic in the countries where the laws are not made for everyone . . ."

And from a friend there is this understanding appreciation of his personality, weighed against that of other men: "Your soul which you think has grown old and incapable of strong emotions has remained young, ardent, and still capable of strong enthusiasms. You despair of life and you have found the only way to live: to have emotions and know how to share them."

We who live a dull existence in which each hour brings some duty imposed by society, we who unhesitatingly perform this new duty every hour of our life, without thinking of giving one instant to what is best in us, in our heart, or our imagination, we will end our stunted existence without having lived for a second. Our heart, our imagination, our feelings will all be rusted, shrivelled up, worn out without ever having served."

An article entitled "For the Small College" by M. Fischer '24, appeared in a recent issue of the magazine entitled *Onward*.

### PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITIES

#### Calvin Coolidge

Before his death, last fall, President Harding had already been considered by the Republican Party as a possible candidate for re-election in 1924, so that Coolidge, who, on becoming President, stated that he would pursue the policies of his predecessor, was apt to be thought of, too.

Up to the time of his election as vice-president, Coolidge had not been especially prominent in national politics. However, he had held many offices in Massachusetts, his own state, for though always quiet and reserved, he had steadily forged ahead from the time of his graduation with high honors from Amherst in 1895. After two years of work and study, he was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1897. In 1899 he became City Councilman of Northampton; this was really the beginning of a long series of public offices which he held, from that time to the present—City Solicitor in 1901, Court Clerk in 1903. During the years 1907 and 1908, Coolidge was chosen as Representative to the State Legislature; he was mayor of Northampton in 1910 and 1911 and State Senator for 1912 and 1913, president of the Senate during the latter year. Lieutenant-Governor in 1916 to 1918, he was elected Governor in 1918 by a large plurality, and by an even greater number in 1919.

The police strike, for the settlement of which he became widely known, lasted for two days, September 9-11, 1919, a short reign of terror, and was then, it is generally granted, efficiently and quietly handled by Governor Coolidge. Largely due to this and to the valiant efforts of Frank W. Stearns, Coolidge's rather enigmatical but devoted friend, at the Republican convention, he was made Vice-President in 1920.

During his whole political career, Coolidge has been himself very silent, and has always let others, whether friends or enemies, do most of the talking about him, for or against. This has resulted in two widely different attitudes concerning his ability and efficiency; some have called him weak, have said that his lack of speech is really part of his lack of power and strength, while others feel that he is quiet and strong, moderate and withal able.

Before he became President, Coolidge had shown in the other offices he held a completely sane and reasonable attitude, keeping always to the middle path. He did much to further social reform in Massachusetts, and worked hard for various bills referring to the railroads, but was never in any sense radical.

As president we have even now seen very little of Coolidge, the man. He has, as he announced at the beginning, followed Harding's policies in many ways. It would, in fact, with so short a term of office remaining, been difficult to do otherwise. However, it would seem, that of himself, he tends to be on the whole conservative, and slow at times, both to pass judgment and to act. Under his administration the foreign policy has continued one of exclusion and partial separation, while here at home the idea is the further seeking of prosperity for all classes.

Coolidge has expressed his own attitude in these words, delivered a good many years ago in a speech on his election to the State Legislature of Massachusetts:

"Do the day's work. If it be to protect the rights of the weak, whoever objects, do it. If it be to help a powerful corporation better to serve the people, whatever the opposition, do that. Expect to be called a stand-patter, but don't be a stand-patter. Expect to be called a demagogue, but don't be a demagogue. Don't hesitate to be as revolutionary as science. Don't hesitate to be as reactionary as the multiplication table. Don't expect to build up the weak by pulling down the strong. Don't hurry to legislate. Give administration a chance to catch up with legislation."

### ENGAGED

Helen Stone '21 to Everett McColl, of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

## NEWS FROM OTHER COLLEGES

## Harvard University

The Harvard Union is at a deadlock with its Governing Board. The issue, as quoted by the student committee, "Shall or shall not the active members of the Harvard Union be permitted to hear in the halls of their Club the speakers they desire?" Recently the members have expressed a wish that as a counter-balance for the conservative speakers that have addressed them, they should have representative radicals and liberals, suggesting for consideration Eugene V. Debs, Scott Nearing, and Mr. W. Z. Foster. These names were vetoed by the Governing Board, composed of one undergraduate and several graduates, as being personally objectionable. They promised as compromise to appoint a new and more representative committee on speakers, which as yet has not been named. They also offered to allow John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers of America, to speak, but the Undergraduate Committee, it was thought, would not accept him as a typical and only liberal. Mr. Bertrand Russell on the one hand is vigorously attacking the Harvard authorities for a stand that he calls "childish," and President Lowell is upholding Harvard's record in "liberalism." The Undergraduate Committee proposes as a solution: "That hereafter, when two hundred members of the Harvard Union show by petition that they wish to hear a certain speaker, and the Undergraduate Committee approves the choice, that speaker shall be invited to the Union, provided that he is permitted to lecture in the United States.

## Wellesley College

"What is Christian Association to stand for next year? There is a definite need for a Christian Association in college—is C. A. meeting it; if not why not?"

Such questions are to be discussed at the next C. A. meeting, Wednesday evening, April 23, when the authors of similar censures, which have been echoed about campus; are invited to make public their arguments. Heretics and supporters, alike, will be welcomed.

But the Christian Association has planned the meeting to give the reformers an opportunity to make known their criticisms, destructive and constructive. The iconoclasts are urged to attend.

In spite of the frequency with which the phrase, "anything but teach," is used in informal discussions of after-college vocations, this line of work is actually very popular among the students who have seriously considered the problem of what to do after graduation. The favorite vocations, in order of popularity, are teaching, social service, business, literature, art or music, and secretarial work.

## Vassar College

On Tuesday evening, April 15, at the end of chapel, the members of the self-government board filed onto the platform. Anne Halliday, President of Students, then presented the resignation of the entire board. The reasons for this action were first explained to the college, and later summarized by the former president in the following statement to the press: "The resignation was the result of the decision of the Committee forcefully to turn the attention of the student body to the absolute necessity for reorganization of the student government, which was created for a much smaller college than Vassar now is, and which is considered unwieldy and inefficient for the present needs of the college. That this cumbersomness of the government has resulted in the indifference of the students to the government, is the belief of the committee, which wishes for an expression of opinion from the students as to methods of reorganization, and which also has plans of reorganization to offer to the college for discussion.

"The constitution and by-laws of the Student Association are, of course, to stand until united action will be taken by the student body in accepting some form of new government."

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In answer to *Symbolism*, published in the issue of April 9, we have received the following:

## EXPOSTULATION

"What is the World Coming to?"  
We saw the Bryn Mawr chimneys  
When we were passing by,  
Those same, tall, yellow chimneys,  
Against the Bryn Mawr sky.  
Nor wondered at the architect  
That set them there on high.

For Bryn Mawr halls were lively  
In our unthinking day,  
And underneath those green-grey roofs  
We only longed to stay.  
Just as the chimneys overhead  
Life was unduly gay.

We felt no need of symbols—  
We were not pressed with care—  
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M. A. B., '07.



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**FACTS AND FANCIES OF MAY DAY**

Preparations for May Day have continued this last week with ever increasing momentum. As the time draws near rehearsals become an integral part of our daily life and to catch a glimpse of a flying Puck or hear the shrill sounds of a hunting horn no longer surprises us.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Doneghy, of the Lower Merion Police, we have been given permission to put up posters throughout the township as well as two sail signs across Lancaster Pike in the village. Still more outsiders have heard of May Day through the speech made by Mrs. Otis Skinner before the City Club at the Bellevue-Stratford on Friday, April ... Her general subject was pageantry, but the speech was mainly concerning Bryn Mawr May Day, with the happy result that a number of the members came up to her afterwards and asked details as to where to get tickets and the time of the performances.

The sale of tickets up to date has indeed been extremely encouraging, the total amount of money received being well over four thousand dollars already. Another event of great interest of the past week was the moving pictures shown at the Ardmore Theatre. To most of us it was an entirely new sensation to see our friends and ourselves appearing on the screen and as each new picture appeared it was greeted with vigorous clapping and audible comments in a personal vein. The success of the photograph taken of the leading characters has stimulated everyone's desire to see the dress rehearsals.

The rehearsals themselves are becoming a matter of routine to most of us. Occasionally something occurs to delight us, as when the red chair was brought out from President Park's office, placed high on a packing box and then amidst the assembled multitude Queen Elizabeth, with the help of eight eager photographers, gallantly mounted to enjoy the majesty of her slightly insecure throne. Such events serve to keep our sense of humor, rather strained at times, in good working order.

Mr. Samuel Arthur King, in a general talk entitled the "question of our speech," talked over Wanamaker's radio last Wednesday and emphasized the fact that the large majority of American girls, despite their vaunted superiority, are lacking in charm because of their slovenly English, and unmusical voices. He concluded by saying: "If any of my audience feel an interest in hearing good voice production on the part of not a few, but a large number of young women, an opportunity will be given them at the forthcoming May Day Fete. The only two nasal voices heard in the plays on the campus should be those of the ass in the *Masque of Flowers* and of Snout in *The Midsummer Night's Dream*—both consciously assumed.

"There are likely to be defects in the acting, but at least many examples of good diction can be guaranteed. The Bryn Mawr Fete has always stood for the ideal of pure spoken English, just as essential in the equipment of a student as pure written English. The accomplishment of this ideal is the result of hard work on the part of the students and an excellent proof of the advantages of mechanical training in sound, pure and simple."

**THE APRIL LANTERN**

The spring *Lantern* opens with a sketch by Eleanor Follansbee, '26, that resembles the spring-laden breeze itself. It follows the carefree journey of its two heroines for the mere sake of fixing some of its joy, it is charmingly written, refreshing, and elusive.

Katherine Conner, '24, follows with a poem, *Before a Chinese Lantern*, that is subtler in effect than substance, happy in certain phrases as "whispered mirth of rubbing branches" and in choice of significant words.

One guesses at a wealth of melodious emotion in the Italian sonnet on Bryn Mawr contributed by Dottoressa Maria Castellani. Bryn Mawr can only be distinguished by a treatment that links its Quaker traditions with the mellow tradi-

tions of Rome, and the *Lantern* gains at the same time a cosmopolitan flavor.

Delia Smith, '26, contributes an informative article on the Youth Movement, tracing and interpreting its development from its birth in the romantic idealism of the German Youth Movement of the last century to its later appearance in Russia, France, China, and now in America, and prophesying a possible spread and practical application of idealism through its influence.

The one short story of this number, *As It Was in the Beginning*, by Edith Walton, '25, is written with great ease, though one wishes that the author had devoted her talent to a subject less usual and slight and to characters of more convincing individuality.

The sketch by Jean Leanord, '27, is a striking note in its sense for the significance of what is left unsaid, and of suggestion. There is control and *savoir-faire*. The term sketch applied to the contribution of Elizabeth Gibson, '27, should carry its full value. This is a powerful charcoal drawing, done in broad, unhesitating and just sufficient lines. The picture of foreign individuality is delightful and solidly based on contrast.

Elizabeth Nelson, '27, has written a delicate and withal charming poem, *To a Lady Who Reads Aloud*, which follows an essay by Deirdre O'Shea, '26, entitled *The First Primer*, giving a whimsical and penetrating interpretation of the literary secret of Lewis Carroll.

Book reviews on Rose Macaulay's *Told By An Idiot* and *There is Confusion*, a first novel by the young negress, Jessie Richmond Fauset, and two poems by Pamela Coyne, '24, complete the issue.

**VESPERS LED BY PRESIDENT OF CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION**

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side in college what we are going to be afterwards, but we could think and experiment far more than we do.

When we are out of college our ideals are what determine what we do. Many ideas and ideals go to waste because we have no chance for expression. In college we waste our ideals because we don't try experiments with them. A French girl said, "You are all so anxious for jobs; so few of you are called to anything. It is so because your minds are so scattered."

As I see the Christian Association, she said, it is something very big, much bigger than college. It is so big that it doesn't matter what form it takes, but ideals must have expression, the more the better. It's only a great justification to give people a chance and a place to try out what they believe. Although this sounds very vague I really believe that it can be worked out in a different way, perhaps not in one year or in five, but in the future. It can be done, however, not by thinking about Christian Association, but only by thinking about our ideas. Our pledge is to "Live after the example of Christ." We are too young and comfortable to really understand what this means, but we know that whatever He was or was not, He had the courage to think and the faith to try.

**MOVIES OF CAMPUS LIFE GIVEN FOR BATES HOUSE BENEFIT**

The Kollege Comedy Kompany, Inc., under the no less able than alliterative direction of K. Kalbfleisch, '24, presented movies of characteristic scenes from college life at the Gym last Saturday night for the benefit of Bates House. Life for the college girl is nothing but a processional, punctuated here and there by a meal or a snowfight, according to the movies. They were followed by dancing in the Gym to music supplied by the Bates House Orchestra, consisting of K. Sihler '27, K. Adams '27, E. Brodie '27 and J. Hendrick '27. \$30.50 was cleared.

**NEWS IN BRIEF**

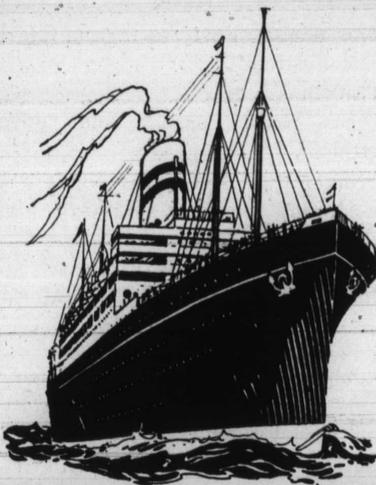
V. Lomas '25 has been appointed by E. Requa '24, President of the Undergraduate Association, Official Student Correspondent to represent Bryn Mawr in the attempt

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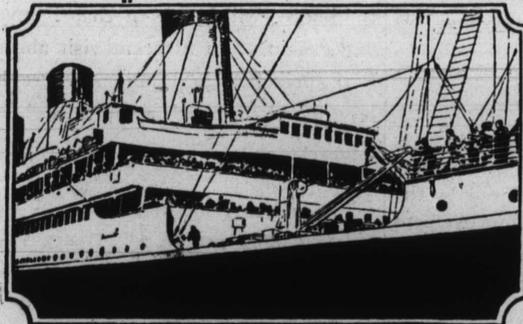
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**"SUNNY JIM" AWARD TO BE ANNOUNCED TOMORROW**

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qualities were the result of Bryn Mawr training. In many other respects her natural endowment could not have been a product of education. She was intellectually alert and keen; she understood the most complicated situations almost before they had been explained, so swift was her power of comprehension; she was incapable of boring herself or anyone else; in all my acquaintance with her I have never heard her say a stupid thing. In one sense she was not an intellectual woman in that her inspiration never seemed to me to come primarily from books, and she was not a great reader of books. She was pre-eminently social and loved to surround herself with people; her tastes were executive rather than scholarly; she was an example of what intellectual people can do to heighten and refine such powers.

"She had the quality of faithfulness, without which I sometimes think all other qualities are ineffective; she was scrupulous in the performance of duties; indefatigable in her determination to accomplish what she set before herself; she never left her work undone. . . . Perhaps the quality of all that I valued most highly, next, of course, to her keen intelligence, was her fair-mindedness. She seemed to me absolutely just. . . .

"But it seems to me that over and above all these really very wonderful qualities of Miss Ritchie were two that I think I have never before seen combined to so large a degree in one person—pluck and joyousness—and they are qualities that no education can give. We may gain by great effort a kind of moral courage and a studied cheerfulness, but gaiety and pluckiness like Miss Ritchie's are not to be acquired at will. She had in its fullest sense the joy of living. I never saw her come into my office without pleasure, however wearisome in itself the detail that brought her, she was so gay; and this was the case even when during the last year of her secretaryship she was not well and had remained in office only for the sake of the college, because as she said, 'It was not fair to leave it in a tight place.'

"Her pluck and gaiety made her fond of all kinds of sports and she excelled in them, and her fairness and justice made her an excellent umpire, as all basketball players knew."

**NEWS FROM OTHER COLLEGES**

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After the resignation had been offered, Anne Halliday called on Dorothy Stebbins, President of the Senior Class, to take charge of the meeting, and the Board then left the chapel. It was moved, seconded, and passed without discussion that the resignation be accepted. The meeting was then adjourned.

**Lawrence College**

Delinquency in studies decreased sixty per cent last year at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin. It is believed by the college authorities that the improvement was largely the result of Freshmen courses in "How to Study."

**Alabama Polytechnic Institute**

After several attempts student government has been installed at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. At the last Convocation exercises the installation of the recently elected officers took place; from that date the student government became effective and from now on will be the actual government of the institution with regard to student affairs.

**Davidson College**

Recent student elections at Davidson College prove that there is no racial prejudice there, and that a man is elected for his ability and for what he has done rather than for what he is.

C. M. S. (Chong) McIlwaine, of Kochi, Japan, occupies the rank of chief-journalist of Davidson by virtue of his success in the Davidsonian election held recently.

**IN PHILADELPHIA**

**Music**

**The Arena**, Forty-sixth and Market: Music Festival.

Thursday, May 1—Opera Night. Soloists—Rosa Ponselle and Giovanni Martinelli.

Friday, May 2—Wagner Night. Soloists—Emmy Krueger, Kathryn Meisle, Paul Althouse.

Saturday, May 3—Concert Night. Soloists—Olga Samaroff, Nina Morgana.

**Theaters**

**Adelphi**: Jane Cowl in "Romeo and Juliet," last week. Next week: "Nancy Ann" with Francine Larrimore.

**Garrick**: "Keep Kool" with Hazel Dawn. Next week: George White's production "Running Wild."

Lyric: "Sally, Irene and Mary." Next week: "Top Hole."

**Moving Pictures**

**Aldine**: "The Ten Commandments."

**Stanton**: Last week, Pola Negri in "Shadows of Paris." Next week: "Scaramouche."

**Forrest**: Douglas Fairbanks in "The Thief of Bagdad."

**Stanley**: "The Fighting Coward."

**Arcadia**: "Thy Name Is Woman," featuring Ramon Novarro and Barbara La Marr.

**Karlton**: "Daddies."

**Fox**: Mabel Normand (in person) and in "The Extra Girl."

**Lectures**

**Academy of Music**: Howard Carter on "The Discovery of King Tut-Ankh-Amen's Tomb," with both still and Motion Pictures.

**Circus**

Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey's Combined Circus at Nineteenth and Hunting Park Ave.

that is being made to form a Students' Federation of the United States in cooperation with the Confederation Internationale des Etudiants.

**CHAPEL SPEAKER ANNOUNCED**

The Rev. Harris E. Kirk, D.D., of the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church of Baltimore, will speak in chapel next Sunday evening. In a recent visit abroad Dr. Kirk preached in London, where he has been asked to preach again.

In a recent issue of the *New York Herald-Tribune*, April 16, Dr. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton University, is quoted as urging college students to follow a recommendation from Boswell's *Life of Johnson*, namely that a "young man should read five hours a day and so acquire a great deal of knowledge."

Dr. Van Dyke is said to have asserted that the college man of today has "practically no background of general reading." "If college men only would follow the advice of the famous doctor and find out for themselves what are good, bad, and indifferent books at an early age, a great good would be done at an impressionable period. If a man cannot learn for himself what is good to read he is not fit to be left loose in the world without a nurse."

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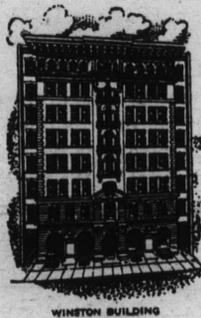
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