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DR. DIEZ REVIEWS ART EXHIBITION

Suggests That Art Students Choose Subjects Native to America.

INDIVIDUALS ARE GOOD

(An open letter to the art students of Bryn Mawr on the occasion of their exhibition, by Dr. E. Diez.)

As you wish to know my opinion about your exhibition, I should first like to say something in general about the study of art. No doubt, what is learned depends greatly on the teacher, but, on the other hand, sometimes the teacher is in a certain sense dependent on the pupils. . . . Mr. Young apparently worked with success in furthering your individual predilections for the various branches of art. It is only the question, whether in the coming years a uniform, systematic training would not be more profitable than the individual one. Fortunately you did not follow the old methods of art teaching, which one still sees practiced in nearly every museum of this country I mean the copying of antique statuary, which is rather useless. But I even doubt the advisability of drawing from the nude, as it has been practiced till now. If one starts with figure drawing at all, one should begin with the hand or the foot and continue till every part of the body is well understood. Leonardo and Durer practiced like that. But the question remains, as to whether figure drawing (or sketching, as it is done for the most part) is of fundamental importance for beginners. Behind this old international art academy practice too, lies the anthropocentric point of view, which we took over from the old Southern cultures though it has nothing to do with the innermost aims of our Northern culture, so far as it is indigenous.

Landscape Practice Essential.

The adequate expression for Northern feelings in drawing and painting is the landscape. The German peoples had no Raffael and no Michelangelo. But the Italians had no Altdorfer, Durer, Ruysdal or Rembrandt. Therefore landscape drawing and painting should be taught in every art school first of all.

But landscape painting too needs its methods of training. It should not be begun with complexes, but with the elements, with the trunks, the branches and the leaves. Those of you, who attended my classes of Far Eastern art will guess what I mean. If I had brought one of you, who are going to practice art to the "leaf," it would be more satisfying for me, than all the names and dates, which you deliver me in your quizzes as a proof of your knowledge of the subject. Names and dates are not much more than means of understanding a certain historical subject, but the essential value lies behind them. And the essential value of old Chinese painting lies for us in learning from them by studying their method, as they have been the only people in the history of art with a perfect method of landscape drawing.

This is one of the many ways in which we can learn from one of the old Oriental cultures and perhaps the most useful and striking one. I am not going to deal with this method in this letter. Permit me only to quote a sentence from Petrucci's French translation of the "Kiai-tseu-yuan-houa-tchouan," the great encyclopedia of Chinese painting (which some of you know, and which you can look through in our Art-Seminary). There

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Prize Offered Collegians

Prize has been offered by Albert and Charles Boni for the best essay by a college student on "Springboard" by Robert Wolf. The *New York Times* in reviewing this novel called it "The best college novel yet written by an American." The essay can be either an affirmation or a denial of this statement. It should be not longer than 3000 words and must be sent, marked Springboard Prize Committee, to A. and C. Boni, 66 West 12th Street, New York City, before July 1, 1927. Heywood Brown will be the judge and the prize winner will be awarded \$150.

A. Bruere and R. Wills to Head Athletic Association

Alice Bruere, '28, has been elected President of the Athletic Association for next year. Miss Bruere has been on the Athletic Board since her Freshman year, and last year served as Vice-President. She has also played on the Varsity hockey, basketball, and water-polo teams. Miss Bruere has won the right to wear a yellow blazer. The blazer system, recently established, may be largely credited to Miss Bruere, who worked out the details with the utmost efficiency.

Rebecca Wills, '29, was elected Vice-President. She has been swimming captain and gym captain for her class and played on the Varsity hockey team.

Helen Louise Taylor, '30, was elected Secretary, and Carla Swan, '29, Treasurer. The Sophomore member is to be Louise Littlehale, '30.

PLANS FOR FINAL WEEK ANNOUNCED

Alumnae Reunions, Athletic Events and Ceremonies to Take Place

1897 IS COMING BACK

This spring marks the twenty-fifth reunion of the class of 1902 and the thirtieth of 1897. Festivities of all sorts, for both graduating class and those returning for reunion, include several receptions at the home of Miss M. Carey Thomas, and a tea followed by inspection of Goodhart Hall. The headquarters for the classes holding reunions are: 1897, in Pembroke West, managed by Mary Campbell; 1902 will be in Merion; 1908 in Pembroke East, and 1909 and 1910 in Denbigh; 1911 in Pembroke West; 1925, under the management of Caroline Remak, will be in Pembroke East, and 1926, under Winifred Dodd, in Wyndham. Helen Rice, '28, will be Manager of Games.

The program for commencement week is as follows:

The Deanery Garden will be lighted every night, weather permitting, from 8.30-11.00 o'clock.

Saturday, May 28th

3.00 P. M.—Water polo practice.

3.30-6.30—P. M. President Emeritus

Thomas at home at the Deanery, very informally. (Tea to be served in the garden.)

4.30 P. M.—Basketball practice.

6.30 P. M.—Class Suppers—

1908—College Inn.

1926—Wyndham Garden.

8.00 P. M.—Class Suppers—

1902—Radnor

1909—Denbigh.

1911—Merion

1925—Rockefeller.

Sunday, May 29th

President Emeritus Thomas at home 10.00-12.00 A. M.; 3.00-6.30 P. M. (Tea served in the garden), and 8.30-11.00 P. M. in the Deanery sitting room.

5.30 P. M.—Memorial service for Alice Day Jackson, 1902, Leila Houghteling, 1911, and Katrina Ely Tiffany, 1897, in the Cloisters. Speaker from each of these classes.

6.30 P. M.—Supper served in Wyndham for 1897.

8.00 P. M.—Baccalaureate sermon in the gymnasium.

The Rev. Henry Pitney Van Dusen, D.D., Professor at Union Theological Seminary, New York. Admission by ticket only.

Monday, May 30th—Alumnae Day

10.00 A. —Alumnae procession in costume.

10.30 A. M.—Alumnae vs. Varsity basketball game.

2.30 P. M. — Scholarships committee meeting with local chairman in Denbigh.

4.00 P. M.—Tea in honor of Mr. Arthur I. Meigs of (Mellor, Meigs and Howe, architects of Goodhart Hall), in Rockefeller Hall, followed by inspection of Goodhart Hall.

7.00 P. M.—Alumnae supper in gymnasium. Theresa Helburn, 1908, director of Theater Guild, New York, toast-mistress. Speakers: President

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Fenwick Explains Wilson and Foundation Prize

The Wilson Foundation, an endowment created by voluntary gifts from people all over the United States was discussed by Dr. Fenwick in chapel Friday morning, May 13. The interest from the endowment is used for a prize to men and women between the ages of 20 and 35 for the best essay written on the subject: "What Woodrow Wilson means to me."

The prize, of \$25,000 each is given to the man and woman who submit the best essays on this subject. "The reason for such a discrimination," said Dr. Fenwick, "is because it is humiliating for a man to be beaten by a woman." The essay must be only twenty-five hundred words in length; too short, therefore, to enlarge upon any definite ideas. It cannot be a biography, but merely an interpretation and explanation of what Woodrow Wilson's principles mean to you.

The purpose of great men in the progress of the world is to give directions to the oncoming generation. Wilson's principles were not wholly original, but he was endowed with a marvelous gift of writing and keen interpretation. When he went over to the peace conference at Versailles he discovered that we, as a country, were more aloof and more detached from the difficulties in which other countries found themselves involved. For this reason it became necessary for him to make innumerable compromises which made this country feel that his ideals could never accomplish a purpose.

It cannot be definitely stated of his greatest achievement, the League of Nations, whether or not it will survive. At any rate, the address in which he voiced his cherished hopes for its rapid promotion in world importance marks a turning point in modern history.

Science Club Picnic Triumphs Over Showers

Amid lowering skies and gloomy prophecies from Dalton soothsayer, the Science Club started out on its famous annual picnic. In spite of imminent showers, with no adequate and recompensing hope of May flowers, spirits were blithe and attendance heavy. Never did we realize before quite what an interest in science the college had. We noted people who had majored in Chemistry, others who had taken Biology for a week (up to the angle worm to be exact), and still others who were planning to take geology next year. A democratic and happy gathering, indeed. The Science Club settled down in a lush pasture not far from the campus. Ascetic professors rolled up their sleeves and chopped down trees to feed the fire, sweet and girlish students threaded hot dogs on willow withes, all was contentment, even bliss! Even the gods smiled. It did not rain, neither did it pour. After refreshments were partaken of, the less-gorged entered into a baseball game. After two and one-half ecstatic innings with no particular termination, both teams simultaneously disintegrated and sang sentimental songs until the moon rose from behind the dark trees.

Lacrosse Captains Elected

The lacrosse captains for next year will be M. Fowler for 1928 (who won the championship this season), R. Cross for 1929, and L. Littlehale for 1930.

1928 Elects

1928 has elected M. Cross unanimously for Senior Song Mistress, and J. Young for undergraduate representative to an alumnae meeting in Richmond, Va., next fall.

VARSITY WRESTS HARD VICTORY

Palache Offers Exciting Match—Swan's Consistency Wins Long Game.

RAIN IS NO HINDRANCE

Bryn Mawr's tennis team, though crippled by the absence of both Miss Slingluff and Miss Pitney, was able to wrest a difficult victory from Germantown Cricket Club on Wednesday afternoon, May 11, winning four matches out of seven from the invaders.

Germantown's star player, Mrs. W. P. Newhall, whose left-handed serve is one of the most redoubtable ever seen on a court, defeated Frances Bethel, '28, 6-1, 6-2. While Mrs. Newhall was distinctly the better player, it must be admitted that Miss Bethel was somewhat off her game; had she been playing as she has at other times this season, the score would certainly have been much less one-sided. As it was, Mrs. Newhall's unerring placing had her beaten before she was able to find her stride. It rained at intervals but not enough to stop the playing.

Right Couple for Doubles.

By far the most exciting match was that between Miss Palache, '28, and Mrs. Wallace Brown. The two were so evenly matched that every point was a battle, and almost every game a deuce one. Mrs. Brown, however, starting with a rush, took four games before Miss Palache took one. Then the latter rallied and evened the score. Mrs. Brown, serving wildly, gave Miss Palache the next game, and by a heroic struggle the latter won the set, after a deuce game lasting at least twenty minutes. The last set was equally hectic. Twice Miss Palache came within a point of winning, and twice the indomitable Brown saved the game. But the third time, after a long rally, Mrs. Brown's ball went outside, and the match was a victory for Miss Palache and Bryn Mawr. Miss Palache's game is a good deal better than her form, which is cramped and lacks freedom. But her serve is strong and steady.

Another epic contest, even longer, took place between Carla Swan, '29, and Miss Gladys Cortwright, of Germantown. Even to read the score, 5-6, 8-6, 7-5, is exhausting, and the match itself was a gruelling one, during which Miss Swan remained calm and unruffled, although at one time Miss Cortwright seemed likely to win. The latter played continually to Miss Swan's backhand, avoiding the strong drive which is the best feature of her game. Both parties showed good form without great speed, but considerable accuracy.

A swifter game, but less successful for Bryn Mawr was that between Olivia Stokes, '30, and Miss Agnes Bergen. Miss Stokes's game was erratic, and she showed a tendency to put her returns into the net; she has a strong stroke, however, and plays intelligently. But Miss Bergen's speed and steadiness was too much for her, and she was defeated, 6-4, 6-2. Mary Hand, '27, defeated Miss Leslie Hawes, of, Germantown, without much difficulty. The first set was 6-1, and the second 6-4, more because it was too

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Model School Children Sing Original Songs

On Wednesday morning, May 11, the children of the first, second and third grades of the Thorne School entertained the delighted college with songs, some of them original. Class One and Two sang little nursery rhymes and one French song, the chorus being led by one of their own numbers.

Class Three then proceeded to sing, with appropriate gestures, original songs, some of them to original tunes. Each child stood up and with surprisingly little embarrassment told the name and explained the subject of her song; then, turning, led the whole class in singing. The lays were short and rather inconsequential, but delightful and whimsical, and the most charming thing about the performance was the entire lack of self-consciousness.

Please Answer Pleas

There is still time to sign up to go to Bates House this summer, and the committee is eagerly awaiting an opportunity to add your name to its list. If you can go please see M. Gaillard, '28, Penn West. Workers are most needed during the last week in June and the beginning of July. The house is to be under the management of Belle Boone Beard, graduate student, with B. Howe, '24, as medical supervisor.

Save your old clothes for the junk committee! At the end of the year they will send a box to Dr. Grenfell in Labrador. Help fill it with warm, useful clothes. Books and magazines, however out of date, will be welcome also. Take your contributions to any member of the junk committee or notify D. Cross and they will be called for.

SENIORS SOAK SINGING FRESHMEN

Fireworks and Fighting Make 1930's Freshman Night a Success

CLOCK STOPS AGAIN

Taylor clock was again forced to stop in its course, so surprised was it at the doings of the Freshmen on Friday evening, May 13.

Activities began about supper time, when the Freshmen (for it was their NIGHT) took possession of the Senior tables in almost every hall appearing in gowns and pajamas. After supper, Senior singing was the center of attraction; from Taylor steps, the Freshmen sang their parodies, all quite according to tradition, until a subdued stirring was noticed among the Seniors. Incensed by the discovery of Limburger cheese and garlic in their pillow cases, their mattresses, and (we hesitate to reveal it), in their hair brushes, certain Seniors disappeared inside of Taylor. It was expected that they would crash through the door to the steps, from behind; but, no, some time passed without a sign from the missing Seniors. Just when they had almost been forgotten, a window in the tower flew open, and a bucket of water descended on the heads of the unsuspecting Freshmen below; this was followed by another, and another until the less agile, or the more defiant, were soaked to the skin. Some Freshmen felt that this should be stopped, so they ascended to the tower room, where heads of struggling rivals could be seen from time to time. After all the Seniors had been routed, it is rumored that as protection, the Freshmen tied one Senior across the trapdoor in such a way that if any one tried to lift it, she would be quietly strangled.

After this dramatic occurrence, parodies were sung again, and all seemed very mild. The best parodies were those to "Unk Unk said Little Mr. Bull Frog," "When Betsey was young" and "Like the Wind." The words to the first might be called "the serf's report to her mistress," after a very dutiful list of the things she has done, the serf expresses her feelings, in the line "Thank God, uh huh, the day is through." Betsey, at college, discovers that "Senior's smiles are like china rare, always bestowed with the greatest of care."

Senior singing ended peacefully enough; some may have been disappointed that there was no fight on the steps, but the water hurling episode was ample compensation. The campus was a model of orderliness (if one overlooks the strings of tooth brushes and combs festooned here and there, and the pajamas swaying gently from a tree), until 10 o'clock. Just as the bell began to ring, a loud report was heard from the cloisters, and terrified figures rushed from the library. Soon shots were heard on every side, and the bolder remained to discover that they were giant firecrackers. These were followed by an exhibition of Roman candles on Merion green, after which the party broke up—a good time was had by all.

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FLATTERING THE FASCISTS

Fascism, the child of Mussolini's heart, is undoubtedly a movement whose merits will furnish table talk for long years to come; that Fascism, however, or Mussolini himself, should suffer the degradation of a law court trial, on the technicality that their names have been accounted deep insults, is quite another matter. This happened recently in Belgium, when an unfortunate tenant called his janitor a Mussolini, in a most unflattering way; a police official claimed that this was a criminal offense, but fortunately for international relations, a tactful and peacefully inclined higher court construed the term as being very complimentary. It is this kind of diplomacy that counts, and it is the sort of clever construction which, in the end, always makes for the most successful co-operation and relations.

THE CIRCLE OF THE GODLESS

Students in the University of Wisconsin, about a month ago, organized a "Circle of the Godless," an atheistic organization, and applied for a charter in the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism. Commenting on this, one of the dormitory publications declared that "the thinking person will not become alarmed over the atheists nor any of their actions. He will not fear for the future of civilization because a small group of your boys brazenly announce they are atheists and proud of it." The editor is undoubtedly right. But if we are free from alarm, we at least may be allowed a little amusement. It is interesting to speculate what would be the activities of a circle of the godless, and why it should be so brazenly proud of its godlessness. What pleasure can there possibly be in advancing atheism? The excuse for missionaries is that they are convinced that their converts will have a happy after-life, or be saved from the vengeance of God. But an atheist, if he is a real one, has so little to offer; surely it is a thankless task to go about forbidding your neighbor his feeble remnant of faith because you have lost yours altogether. In the Nineteenth century it was at least a sign of courage and originality to declare yourself an atheist. But now it is neither. If these Wisconsin students are really embarking on war against religion, why use the very methods which have made religion oppressive? It would seem more intelligent quietly to endure your disbelief until you found something you could believe in, than to wave a red flag and announce oneself an arc in the circle of the godless.

Thanks from Bates

The Bates House Committee wishes to thank the Senior Class for the pile of papers thrown from under their Class Tree.

Communications

(The News is not responsible for opinions expressed in this column.)

To the Editor of the COLLEGE NEWS:

In working for the Alumnae Association a few years ago I was much impressed by the good manners of the students, and the deference paid by the lower classmen to the upper classmen. Now this is entirely gone. I felt at the time it was very wholesome training; and certainly the student body is far less attractive now than then.

The way in which the present freshmen criticize the wardens, the dean and the faculty, is most disagreeable. A freshman who says she finds "no intellectual group" in college needs a spanking. The general appearance of the student body is quite as neat if not neater than it used to be. But now there is no feeling for keeping the dignity of the academic buildings. I will forbear to catalogue the disgraceful costumes I myself have noticed in Taylor and in the Library. I also disapprove very much of the present lack of respect for traditions. The Senior steps rule, the singing of the old college songs—these are absolutely disregarded as are many of the other old customs.

A large part of the college—upper as well as lower classmen—is radically opposed to enforcing freshmen rules. Their objection is that "freshmen rules are collegiate and childish." It seems to me that this bored and aloof attitude, this devastating fear of being collegiate, is far more childish than are freshmen rules. This year's freshmen class is inexcusably bad-mannered. Some drastic step should certainly be taken before these freshmen become juniors and have the management and discipline of the incoming class in their hands. Conditions are rapidly growing worse. Next year's junior class should do something to put freshmen back to their traditional plane. The disintegration of college spirit has proceeded too far.

This letter is not intended as a document of interference. It is merely the view of an interested outsider who can perhaps see conditions better than those who are inside.

Sincerely,
AN ALUMNA.

To the Editor of the COLLEGE NEWS:

Apropos of the subject of required athletics, it seems to me that there are two main reasons for the delinquency in signing up, besides that of mere laziness which should not be allowed to count. One is a general feeling against the idea of required athletics at all. Many students declare that it is not the exercise they object to, but the fact that they are doing it for their "four periods," and being treated as if they were still too young to take care of themselves. If exercise were forbidden, it would immediately become popular; if it were left to the individual's discretion, probably as many people would take exercise as are doing it now. But since the college authorities have decided, doubtless correctly, that exercise is essential to the health of the student, and that she will not take the proper amount if left to herself, there must be some satisfactory way of seeing that she does it.

Perhaps this can be done by removing or modifying the second objection. That is the inflexibility of the distinction between general and regular athletics. If a student enjoyed, say, tennis, walking, hockey and coasting, all pretty strenuous forms of athletics, and had no time—for the college days are crowded—to fit in less interesting gym, I see no reason why she should not be allowed to register all four as her required exercise. If a student plays a good game of tennis, why should she have to live through a winter of regular, indoor exercise to be on a team? If this line were removed, I should think that participation in games would be more spontaneous, and all kinds of exercise more willingly indulged in; and that a very large part of the difficulty with the system would disappear.

R., '28.

Quarantined

A freshman at the University of Colorado was confined to a sorority house for a week when a quarantine for scarlet fever was declared when he was illing.—The Daily Nebraskan.

The Pillar of Salt

We know of only one convincing argument against sleeping in a foreign hall and that is the number of fire drills it lets you in for. We know of a girl who spent the night in Radnor, and having been warned that there would be a fire drill at seven A. M., she woke up early and waited patiently for the bell. After a while she heard a bell, and leaped from her borrowed bed, rushed downstairs, there to find herself alone with the mice and the insects. She went from front door to back door, crying pathetically "Save me, save me," but she found no other soul stirring. At last she went back to bed, still mystified, until she looked out the window and saw a typical fire drill crowd gather in front of Merion. Hardly had she fallen asleep when the Radnor fire drill really took place. Downstairs again she ran, and took her place while the roll was called. And then her feelings were really hurt, because they didn't call her name, and she might have been burned to a cinder for all her trouble. But my story is not yet finished. That same girl spent the next night in Pembroke, and what was her horror at finding a fire drill scheduled for 11.30 P. M.! Three fire drills in less than eighteen hours, and each of a different hall, is a record worth while.

David, a mule,
Loved Helen, a horse,
She was refined,
But he was coarse.

She was gentry,
Too high to love,
But he couldn't forget her,
For anoth.

With Helen ahead,
Like as not,
David would burst
Into a trot.

But she admired him
Not at all,
So David hung him
In his stall.

F. H. B.

"Some By-Laws and Things," written by Mr. Gillette (Note: these were written by the famous actor, for a girl who graduated from Bryn Mawr some time ago; they were recently discovered, and handed on to us).

1. If you must think, do it as quietly as possible.
2. Never insist on having your own way. Just have it, and let the matter drop.
3. Be very much as you are—other people will attend to the business of being something else.
4. Try not to think before you speak. If you do, you won't speak—and how horrid that would be!
5. Be generous before you are just—otherwise you will never be generous at all.
6. Try not to have views—they are distressing, at least to others.
7. Don't try to make a mark in the world. It's a lot of work—and the mark won't show.
8. Endeavor to like each other—but if you can't, don't.
9. Be economical to the last. Instead of making new resolutions see if you can't break the old ones a while longer.
10. If you wish to keep yourselves as near alive as possible—if you have a desire to be a joy forever—or as near forever as they come—if you prefer not to be a whole lot of unpleasant and uncomfortable things, don't learn too much. Draw the line somewhere. How would it be to stop right here while you think of it?

Never count your chickens
Until you cross the bridge;
A needle in the haystack's
Worth a chicken on the didge.
Never count your lovers
Until you've crossed the line;
A pin prick in the bubble's
Worth a thousand caught in time.

M. D. F.

Lot's Wife.

In Philadelphia

Theatres

Broad—Le Gallienne's Repertory for a two weeks' engagement; well worth at least one visit.

Walnut—Morgan Farley in *An American Tragedy*, a powerful dramatization of the novel.

Chestnut—*Cherry Blossoms*, an Oriental musical comedy with Romberg music.

Lyric—*My Maryland*, another Romberg score in its seventeenth week.

Coming

Broad—*On Approval*; opens May 30.

Gafrick—*Talk About Girls*; opens May 23.

Academy of Music—*Iolanthe*, to be given by the Savoy Company on May 20 and 21.

Movies

Fox—Screen adaptation of the wisecracking and raucously amusing *Is Zat So?*

Fox-Locust—*What Price Glory* continues extremely and deservedly popular.

Aldine—Syd Chaplin in *The Better Ole*, with new Vitaphone demonstrations.

Stanley—Harry Langdon's latest, *Long Pants*; Cliff Edwards is also on this program.

Stanton—*Cabaret*, with Gilda Gray to prove that there is a gay night life.

Arcadia—*The Whirlwind of Youth*, adapted from Gibbs' *Soundings*.

Coming

Stanley—*The Love of Sunya*; opens May 23.

Fox—*Three Hours*; opens May 23.

Industrial Conference to Be Held in June

College students throughout the country are showing a marked interest in the June Conference of the Intercollegiate Department of the League for Industrial Democracy, which will be held at Camp Tamiment, near Stroudsburg, Pa., from Thursday, June 23, to Sunday, June 26, 1927.

The conference will be given over to various angles of our present-day "Prosperity," and to a discussion of the development of social thinking in our universities during the past few years.

The first days of the conference will be devoted to the extent, distribution and continuance of our so-called prosperity, to economic imperialism and prosperity, and to "sore spots" in our present economic situation, particularly in agriculture and mining. The second portion will deal with constructive trade union, political and educational programs based on present-day conditions, also with the psychological wants of the workers which are not satisfied even with the possession of a "full dinner pail." On Friday afternoon, June 24, the college students will hold a session devoted to social thinking in our universities. They will also meet throughout the conference for informal discussions. On Saturday evening the students and others will present four skits dealing with contemporary social life. The afternoons will be given over to recreation—boating, canoeing, swimming, tennis and walking.

A special charge of \$2.50 a day for board and lodgings will be made for college students who, in May, 1927, are undergraduates.

Those interested should communicate at their earliest convenience with Harry W. Laidler, Chairman Conference Committee, League for Industrial Democracy, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

News from Other Colleges

No Women on University Cruise
New York.—Women will be barred from participation in the second annual college cruise around the world, it has been announced here by the University Travel Association. The main reasons for the decision are that there have been too many courtships on the trip taken this year, and that foreign countries, unused to co-education, attribute a wrong attitude to the floating university. It is thought that this cruise may be followed by one for girls only.—*Campus Collegian* (University of Toledo).

Girls May Motor

Women students at Mount Holyoke College no longer will have to get permission from the dean when they wish to accept auto rides from men. Under a new ruling, the Mount Holyoke undergraduates may ride with members of the other sex until 7 P. M. without permission.

Mount Holyoke News.

Among New Books

Marco Millions—Eugene O'Neill. (Boni and Liveright.)

During the past year a rather different path of interest has been opened up by three of America's writers, men whose fields, until this last satiric spurt, have been quite varied in nature. John Erskine, professor at Columbia, became father of the movement when he published his *Helen of Troy*, and followed it up, last fall, with *Galahad*; Robert Sherwood, editor of *Life's* movie department, carried it a step farther along its development in his dramatic treatment of Hannibal in the *Road to Rome*, and now none other than the pessimistic and virile O'Neill comes forward with his *Marco Millions*. Perhaps all this very human satire comes as a kind of reaction from the almost hopeless realism of modern life as presented by such writers as Sinclair Lewis; perhaps, on the other hand, it is the result of a modern's distaste for contemporary society's claim to world progress. At any rate, the movement whereof we speak is simply a very realistic treatment of very romantic subjects of the past, and the reader is constantly reminded, with a startling twist of the satiric genius, of the fact that human nature is much the same as ever, and that, no matter what our progress be, the situations in which man finds himself throughout the ages do not change.

Nickname for Marco Polo

Marco Millions is the first of O'Neill's long plays to be published before production (we understand that it is to be presented, next season, by the Theater Guild), and "lovers of O'Neill are privileged to enjoy a special performance, or dress rehearsal, so to speak, of a play by the greatest American dramatist." Marco Polo, nicknamed "II Milione," is pictured as a Babbitt of the thirteenth century, a financial mind in the body of a young galant, surrounded by all the beauty of the world, by the wisdom of the great ruler, Kubla Khan, by the hopeless love of the royal Kukachin, and by the millions of the eastern wealth and luxury. O'Neill excuses his shattering of the popularly romantic figure by claiming that he merely attempts "to render poetic justice to one long famous as a traveler," though Marco told only the facts in his well known book, he has become "unjustly world-renowned as a liar. This has moved me to an indignant crusade between the lines of his book, in order to whitewash the good soul of that maligned Venetian, the man of brass tacks."

Satire on American Life

However, O'Neill's purpose, we rather believe, has a far more material end in view than the one cited above, and it is to be seen in the glaring sarcasm so obviously directed upon contemporary American life. In his prologue, first of all, we find an amusing and fairly convincing presentation of the relative value of religions of the east as compared with Christianity, the playwright states the facts—the conclusions shatter the audience's superior illusions. In the epilogue, secondly, Marco Polo, in thirteenth century Venetian dress, rises with the audience, and steps into his own limousine at the door of the theater: here is O'Neill's truly original way of bringing home his point! The third most evident slap upon the contemporary wrist is the effect of Marco's efficiency methods upon the lovable and wonderfully wise Khan, and upon Chu-Yin, his adviser. The following report of conditions in Yang-Chau, of which township Marco has been made Mayor, serves well as illustration—"Marco has made an active Mayor. Yang-Chau, according to the petition for mercy you have received from its inhabitants, is the most governed of all your cities. I talked recently with a poet who had fled from there in horror. Yang-Chau used to have a soul, he said. Now it has a brand new Court House. And another, a man of wide culture, told me our Christian Mayor is exterminating our pleasures and rats as if they were twin breeds of vermin." Again, O'Neill speaks for himself, rather delightfully, on the appearance of our hero, "His regular, good-looking, well-groomed face is carefully arranged into the grave responsible expression of a Senator from the South of the United States of America about to propose an amendment to the constitution, restricting the migration of non-Nordic birds into Texas, or prohibiting the practice of the laws of biology within the 12-mile limit."

The play, we understand, is no bet-

Wild '27-'28 Game Marks End of Water Polo

On Thursday '28 won from '27 by a score of 5-3 in a very fast close game, one well befitting the close of the water polo season. Although '27 was playing one short, they held the lead during the first half, starting off with a long distance shot by Seeley. In the second half, despite the determination and tenacity of the Seniors, the speed and accuracy of '28 caused the game to turn quickly, and gave them the lead. Although Newbold caught ball after ball, the strong shooting of Field and Tuttle could not be stopped. The game was marked by close, hectic playing on both sides.

'27—J. Seeley, B. Pitney, E. Morris, V. Newbold, M. Brooks, E. Haines.

'28—H. Tuttle, A. Bruere, J. Stetson, E. Cohoe, E. Stewart, C. Field, E. Morgan.

'30 Loses to Juniors

In spite of the great improvement in their playing, '30 lost to '28 by 5-1 on Tuesday. The Freshmen still seemed a little lost in the pool, not quite sure of where they were going. But they played an excellent defensive game. The work of Seligman, '30's goal, was very efficient, and at one time quite spectacular. She won applause by neatly stopping two strong, close range shots in rapid succession from Tuttle. But the accurate eye of Field, and the long arms of Stetson were too much for the Freshmen.

'28—E. Morgan, C. Field, A. Bruere, H. Guiterman, E. Stewart, J. Stetson, E. Cohoe, M. Gaillard.

'30—F. Pettus, H. Seligman, H. Taylor, C. Peckham, M. Dean, L. Littlehale, K. Richardson, E. Zalesky.

Bryant Helps 1929 Win

On Tuesday '29 lost a well-played game to '29 by a score of 2-7. Once again, '29's teamwork won the game for them. In carrying the ball from the backline to the forwards they threw accurately from one to another, and there was very little fumbling on the part of the Sophomores. On the other hand, '27's defense was better than that of '29. If their offensive had been equally good they must surely have won. Again and again, the Seniors were left free by their guards. Bryant's work in the middle of the pool was invaluable to the Sophomores. In general, the game was rather rough, there being more ducking than ever before this season.

'27—E. Brodie, V. Newbold, F. Thayer, B. Pitney, M. Brooks, J. Seeley, K. Adams.

'29—B. Freeman, E. Bryant, E. Moran, C. Swan, E. Boyd, K. Balch, J. Eshner.

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easy for Miss Hand to win than because of any improvement on the part of Miss Hawes, who was no match for Miss Hand's steady and accurate playing. The first doubles game, Newhall and Bergen against Bethel and Stokes, was a quite unconditional defeat for Bryn Mawr, 6-0, 6-3. The German town couple, experienced doubles players, walked all over our champions without giving them a chance to assert themselves; although in the second act they were able to catch their breath long enough to win three games. In the other match, Miss Palache and Miss Humphreys defeated Miss Hawes and Mrs. Brown, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2. For once Bryn Mawr was represented by a couple who are used to playing together, and the experience counted. Losing the first set by a narrow margin, they settled down in earnest in the second and with comparative ease won the next two, 6-2, 6-2.

In Other Colleges

Education Financed by College Students

The question of college finances is an important one today. It is now suggested by many that students pay for their entire college education. This idea was discussed at some length at the recent convention of the Association of American Colleges. It is surprising to note that in many places the college student now pays only 31 per cent. of his education. It was recommended that tuition fees be raised gradually to cover the entire cost of college courses. Help should be given the student to meet this additional charge in the form of scholarship loans and student aids of all kinds. Thus money now used to complete the cost of the student's education would be used in helping him pay for his own education. This movement has already begun in some colleges. The student government at Dartmouth has begun a system of student loans. Many hope that this idea will become general in many colleges.

The New Student.

No Freshmen, No Traditions

The abolition of the Lower Division should be tried at some of the universities that are wasting their time worrying about the enforcement of freshman discipline. If these universities are unable, or unwilling, to do away with freshman traditions, just abolish the entire class and the traditions are bound to go with it.

It is doubtful if even the most ardent supporters of the freshman traditions would insist that these rules would be transferred to the shoulders of the junior college graduate. It is queer the distinction that can be drawn between a young man that is entering college as a freshman and the one starting in as a junior, but such a distinction is drawn by all colleges where such traditions exist. On its very face, it is inconsistent.

Stanford Daily.

The Faculty Edits

Besppectacled men with bulgy brief cases marched across the front page of the Smith College Weekly. At the top of the page black letters announced a "Faculty Number." News stories and editorials were written by faculty members. Even the column "Sauve Que Peut" was usurped by a faculty member whose printed "diary" contained choice morsels.—The Bennett News.

Oxford Sex War

A petition has been presented to the Hebdomadal Council—the governing body of Oxford University—that the number of women admitted to Oxford in any academic year should not exceed 250. As a result, in the words of one newspaper, Oxford is "to be made again the cockpit of sordid sex struggle."

All the privileges enjoyed by men were conceded to women seven years ago by Oxford.

The four women's colleges of Oxford have voluntarily limited the number of their undergraduates, and they therefore urge that to grant the petition would be unchivalrous and unjust. The petition is signed by 210 senior members of the university.

New York Times.

Sop to Alumnae

College girls of a decade or two ago were superior mentally to present-day coeds, the Philadelphia Wellesley Club was recently told by Hamilton MacDougall, Professor of Music at Wellesley. Standardization has resulted in retarded mental development, which has not, however, been followed by a downward trend in morality, Professor MacDougall said. "In the present system there is less individuality in scholarship than in years

gone by. The students before 1912 had a higher mentality."

New York Times.

"Shell Shock" Among Harvard Students

Shell-shock is not confined to war veterans; it is a common condition among college students, is the finding of Dr. Alfred Worcester, Harvard professor of hygiene. In Dr. Worcester's recent annual report on the medical care of Harvard students, he discovered that a great number of students presenting unsatisfactory work suffered from a general physical and mental condition he described as "shell-shock."

Stanford Daily.

Perhaps the explanation of this is to be found in an editorial in the *Crimson* commenting on the traffic about the University and wondering why the "majority of students are not killed or wounded." It is not surprising that the problem of dodging automobiles, as well as professors whose class you have just cut should produce shell-shock.

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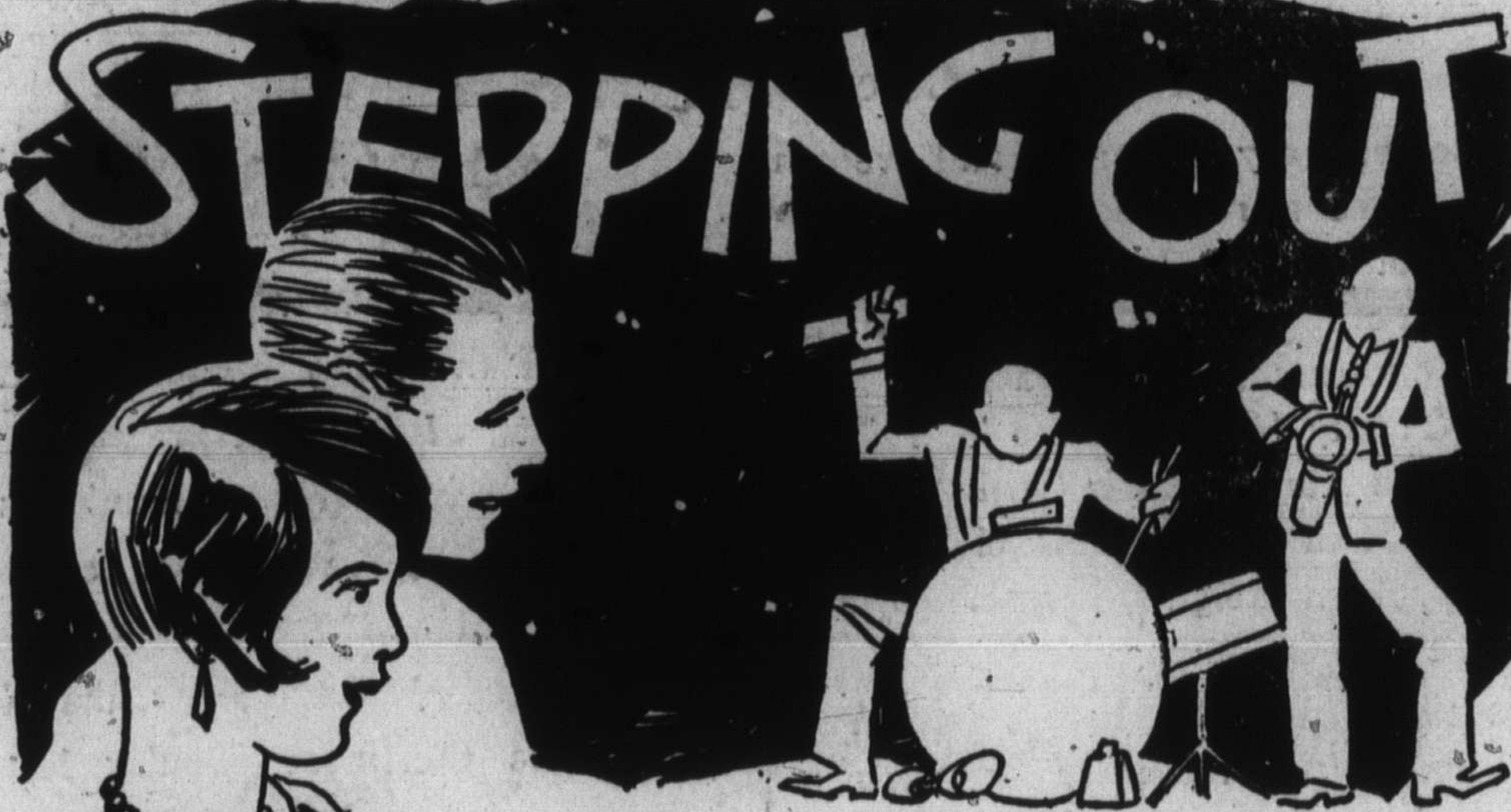
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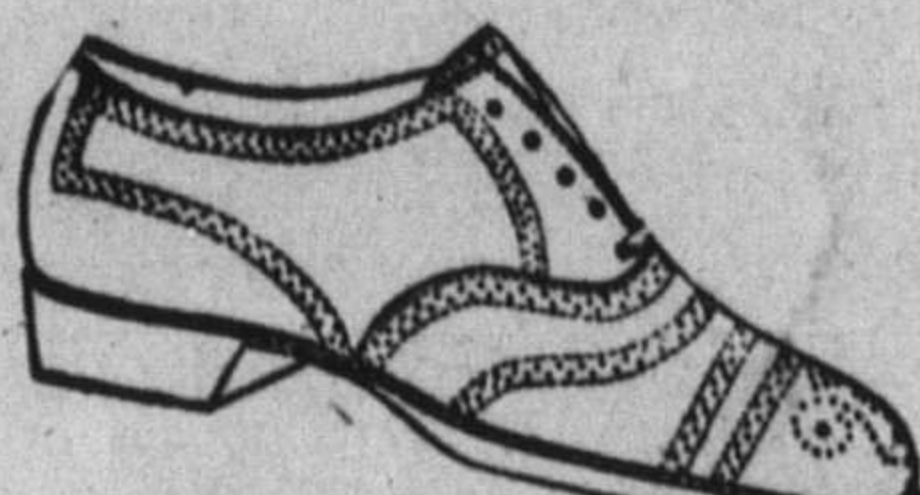
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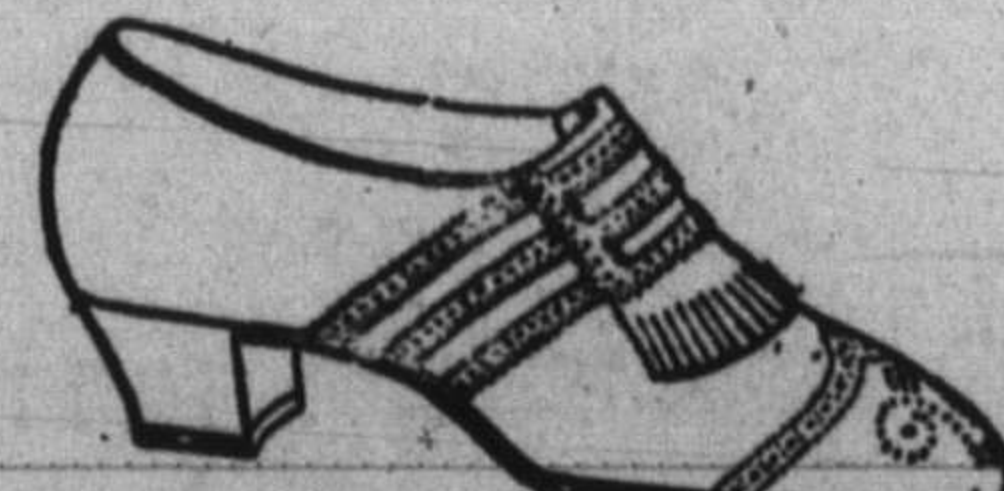
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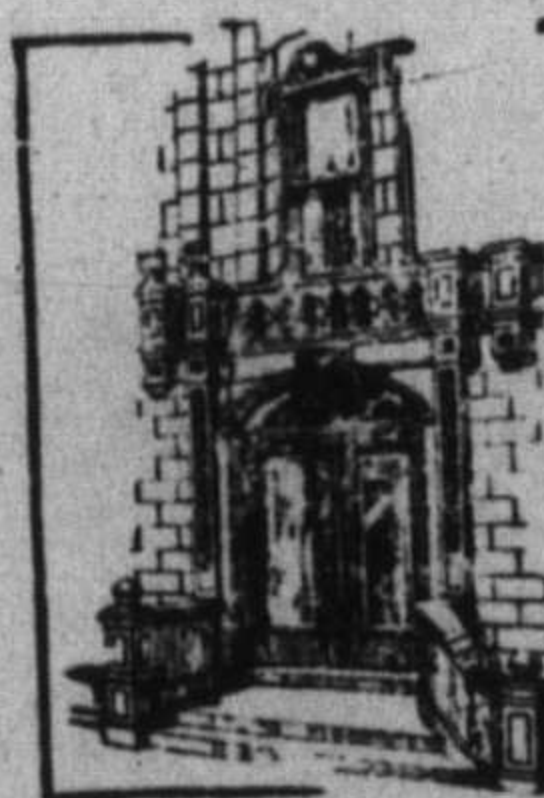
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