The President's Western Trip.

It is delightful to see the affection with which Wellesley graduates all over the country regard their college, and certainly the cordiality of their greeting is most welcome to the visitor. At the meeting of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae in Milwaukee, there were many people interested in Wellesley. Miss Stratton for so many years Dean of the College was there and Mrs. Falk, whom we remember as Betty Vogel, was one of the efficient officers of the hospitality committee. The little group of Wellesley women are active there as everywhere, in all good works.

The afternoon meeting of the Chicago Wellesley Club was quite largely attended, about eighty persons being there. They listened with the greatest eagerness to all the details of Wellesley as it is to-day, enjoying bits of gossip as well as learning of academic changes, and they made a most enthusiastic and responsive audience to speak to. Frances Hughes and Elvira Slack, both of them doing good work, were there with some of last year's graduates and graduates of all the years in between.

The club in Chicago is one of the most influential clubs in the country and keeps in close touch with the College. The fact that Mrs. Thompson, alumna trustee, lives at Rockford, not very far away, makes a strong bond between the College and the club, for she makes regular visits to Wellesley, and takes back to all her fellow members the most recent developments.

The meeting this year was held in the south parlor of the Auditorium and lasted a good two hours, one of which was occupied quite continuously by the recital of the changes at Wellesley during the last year.

In Indianapolis also it was delightful to meet Wellesley girl, Blanche Dole of the Class of 1903 is teaching French in Butler College. The parents of some of our present students live there, and there are other women who are closely connected with College graduates although the actual number of graduates in Indianapolis is not large.

The actual working part of the trip was only five days and included a speech every day and at least one entertainment, often two or three. One of the pleasant incidents was the vesper service at the Milwaukee-Downer College on Sunday evening at just the same time that our own vesper services are held here. Milwaukee-Downer has not a very large number of college students, but has a large preparatory department connected with it. They are a bright and interesting looking set of girls and it was very pleasant to see how another institution conducts its Sunday services.

The trip was in every way a delightful one. The cordiality of the welcome which the President received in the various cities where she was in, showed the high esteem in which the College is held.

The Organ Recital, November 16.

Many of us remember with great pleasure the coming last year of Mr. Edwin H. Lemare, the organist and Director of Music at the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh. It was our privilege to hear a second remarkable organ recital by Mr. Lemare last Monday evening, in the Houghton Memorial chapel. A large audience enjoyed to the full the following program:

1. Prelude & Fugue in G minor, J. S. Bach
2. Intermezzo in D flat,........... Hollins
3. Caprice Orientale
   Fantastic Fugue  } Lemare
4. Marche Funéré et Chant Seraphique, Guilmant
5. "Oh Star of Eve" (from Tannhauer.) Wagner
6. Funeral March of a Marionette, Gounod
7. Improvisation
8. Waldweben (from Siegfried) Wagner

Miss Bacon's Lecture.

On Saturday afternoon, November 14, Miss Mary Applewhite Bacon lectured on "The Child of the Cotton Mill Operator in the Factory and at Home." Contrary to the announcement, the lecture was given in the Physics Lecture Room in order that the audience might have the benefit of some stereopticon slides in illustration of the address. The lecture was especially interesting and helpful, coming as it did from one who had with earnestness and sympathy looked into the condition of the factory child in the South. In a very vivid manner Miss Bacon portrayed the life of the mill child in its colorless monotony and ignorance, a life that knew no play, but only a childhood of work and unnatural weariness. The little sketches which Miss Bacon gave of some of her visits among the mill people were full of appeal and pathos. In conclusion the lecturer spoke of the excellent work which was being done by the Women's Clubs and Social Settlements in raising the standard of living among these poor people of the South, showing how far-reaching among these people, ignorant, yet with a certain instinctive fineness of character, were the efforts to bring health and beauty into their homes and lives. After the lecture, Miss Katharine Lee Bates, who is Miss Bacon's cousin, invited the Southern Club to meet Miss Bacon in the Faculty Parlor.
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We have been told a great many times that people do not like to hear us “talk shop.” This is most likely true. But do we discriminate between “talking shop” and intelligently discussing our work with our friends, when we proceed to the difficult task of regulating our conversation aright? A recent talk with a member of the Faculty has suggested to the editor this discourse on “talking shop.”

The talk around the dinner table or around College Hall Centre is very rarely as dignified in tone as it might very well be. The meaningless chatter, the idle and often positively harmful gossip, the rash criticism and worried appeals are hardly the things that we should like to be remembered as having said. Talking shop would be better than gossiping. It would do less harm, even if it did no appreciable good.

And why should we not learn how to talk shop intelligently? Why should we not share with our friends in an informal way the inspiration we have gained from a delightful course? In this way, our work would be broadened and deepened beyond its present limits; and we should feel less dependent upon the “give and take” of the classroom and more reliant upon personal investigation and thought. The knowledge we have gained in our work would be more truly our own if we were more inclined to share and discuss it with others.

It may be said that lessons are talked about entirely too much outside of classrooms, and especially at the table. Certainly we are not especially edified to hear that the girl who sits opposite is perfectly sure that she will flunk her mathematics or that our right-hand neighbor is dreadfully worried over her next debate, or that somebody else simply cannot think of anything to write about for her next theme. These are dreary things to say; so dreary that they could not even be dignified by the word “trite.”

Is there any good reason, however, why we should so constantly fly to the other extreme and bring back painfully far-fetched subjects for conversation, of which we know painfully little? Why should we not talk about what vitally concerns us? about the work that is for us among the most important things of college life. We came here to study; and there seems no very good reason why we are so shy of talking about it. If your friends are not studying literature this year, why should you not help keep them refreshed on the subject by giving them a glimpse of your own work; and if you yourself have never studied psychology or economics, still would you not be interested in some of their simpler problems?

“But we need relaxation,” somebody objects. Yes, we need relaxation; but let us see to it that it is the right kind of relaxation. Let us make our table talk wholesome and refreshing, even if it is but a short of being “a feast of reason and a flow of soul.”

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

November 19, 7.00 P. M., business meeting of the Christian Association.
November 21, 3.30 P. M., in College Hall chapel, lecture by Doctor Yamei Kin.
November 22, 11.00 A. M., services in Houghton Memorial chapel. Sermon by Dr. Van Dyke.
7.00 P. M., vesper service with special music.
November 23, 7.30, P. M., in College Hall chapel, lecture by Doctor Yamei Kin.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The Faculty Science Club met on Tuesday, November seventh, in the Physics Lecture Room. Miss Whiting lectured on "Recent Theories of Electricity and their Historic Development." The lecture was illustrated by experiments. The following lectures are announced in the course of popular lectures given Thursday evenings at the Chemical Laboratory, for the people of the Village. On November 19, Miss Elizabeth Fisher will lect ire on "The Life-History of a River," on December 3, Miss Calkins will lecture on "The Brain," and on December 19, Miss Sarah F. Whiting will lecture on "The Solar System."

Miss Thompson of the Zoology Department has sent in her formal resignation. It was thought for some time passed that she would be able to resume her work here, but owing to a relapse, she has been forced to resign. Every one who was fortunate enough to have a course under Miss Thompson realizes what a loss the department has sustained. Doctor De Lou who has been carrying on Miss Thompson's Histology course during her absence, has been engaged to take permanent charge of the course.

Dr. Yamei Kin who is to lecture at the College on Saturday and Monday, has the distinction of holding the first M. D. degree ever given to a Chinese woman in this country. Dr. Yamei Kin took her degree from the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia.

The engagement has been recently announced of Miss Helen Babbitt, formerly of 1904 to Mr. W. Douglas Herr.

Miss Bertha Ball, Miss Mabel Carter, Miss Grace Dickerman, '97-'99 and Miss Augusta Helmoltz, 1901, were the guests last week of Miss Edith Ball, 1905.

Miss Maude Dewar, 1904, has returned to College. Although Miss Dewar has been absent from College all the fall, she has retained her editorship of the Legenda. Miss Dewar will live, for a time, at least, in the Village.

The Scribblers' Club met at the Alpha Kappa Chi House on Friday afternoon, November sixth. Miss Mary Lee Cadwell, 1906, read an original story.

Mrs. Lewis A. Camp of Seymour, Connecticut, is visiting her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Camp, 1905.

Mrs. Louise McCoy North, 1879, spent last Thursday at the College. Mrs. North is one of the Trustees of the Alumni Association.

Mrs. Herbert J. Condit and Mrs. George P. Olcott of East Orange, New Jersey, visited Miss Abbie H. Condit, 1905, last week.

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I.
A heartfelt plaint uttered recently by a member of the Faculty fell upon sympathetic ears: "I wish," said she, "I wish the girls knew how much the student body is going to suffer from the loss of inconsiderate, thoughtless students, of whom we have been aware for some time, and who have been responsible for countless acts of rudeness and discourtesy.

It seems that there is a general desire among the student body to have our facilities for study and recreation, which are already overcrowded, further overcrowded by the students who are not aware of the necessity for respect in the use of the facilities for the benefit of all.

Every day we hear of cases in which the courtesy of the students is lacking. In one case, a student was found to be using the library in a manner which was not consistent with the standards of conduct expected of the student body.

In another case, a student was found to be speaking loudly in the hall, disturbing the peace and quiet of the other students.

These are just a few examples of the many cases in which the courtesy of the students is lacking. It is not enough to simply say that the students are not aware of the standards of conduct expected of them. It is also necessary to take action to ensure that these standards are upheld.

L. E. S.

II.
We all know that lack of time is a great excuse. We hear on all sides, "I would do it if I had time." But when affairs come to such a pass that we haven't even time to observe the fundamental rules of etiquette, to account of lack of time, something ought to be done. Not long ago a member of the Faculty came into the College Hall dining room and was astonished to see an instructor, breakfasting in her room, so astonished and annoyed by the entrance of an underclass girl who came to announce her failure to have ready a paper due that day. And like events occur not infrequently.

Every girl knows the disastrous possibilities of interruption in her own room, as well as the equally painful results of living with a "Busy" sign on her door. The Faculty should not be obliged to struggle with this little problem of student life. For business matters, there are office hours in abundance, as well as the intervals between classes, for calls, regular at-home hours, or special invitations, otherwise let there be peace and privacy. The kindly "Come in"! in response to a confidant knock should not be the signal for the intrusion of unexpected strangers or academic business. Such a response should be understood to mean, "Come in, my friend whom I have asked to a social cup of tea this afternoon; but stay out, shades of credit-marks, flunk notes, special topics—my room is my castle."

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SOCIETY NOTES.

At a regular meeting of the society Alpha Kappa Chi, held on November 11, 1905, Bernice J. Everett, 1906, and Ethel Everett, 1906, were taken into membership. The following program was presented.

Resume of the Story of the Aeneid..................Marion Potter
Scene from Book II, Lines 634-729..............FLIGHT OF AENEAS

Aeneas...........................................Mabel Emerson
Anchises...........................................Georgia Silcox
Iulus..............................................Ethel Washam
Followers of Aenes..............................{ Ruth Goodwin
{ Mary Moulton
Cresus..........................................Daisy G. Dutcher
Attendants of Cresus............................{ Ethel Jordan
{ Alice Mather

Florence Osborne of 1902 was present.

At a meeting of the Phi Sigma Fraternity held in the Chapter House, Saturday evening, November seventh, the following girls were received into membership:

Edith Ball, 1905.
Maria Dowd, 1905.
Esther Lape, 1905.
Marie Milliken, 1905.

The Alumnae present were: Augusta Helmholz, 1901; Bess Manwarung, 1902; Mrs. Lucia Proctor Freeman, 1903.

Christian Association Notes.

At the request of the Christian Association, Mr. John R. Mott, Secretary of the International Committee of the Student Volunteer movement, spoke in the Houghton Memorial Chapel, Sunday afternoon, November eight. He discussed the subject of the relation of students to missions, and mentioned especially the Student Volunteer movement, showing how widespread its influence is becoming. Mr. Mott spoke of the encouraging increase in mission study in colleges and of the increase in the number of missionaries sent out in the last few years, ending with an appeal for more workers and more interest. The theme of his talk may be summed up in the words, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."

At the mid-week prayer meeting, we were unusually fortunate in having for leader a member of the Christian Association of another college, Miss Van Kleeck, the President of the Association at Smith College. Her special topic for the evening was the work of a General Secretary of a Christian Association and the good results as judged from the history of the General Secretary at Smith.

It is three years since the experiment of having a General Secretary was started there. Her duties are not to perform the work of any of the committees, but to have a knowledge of every branch of the Association work and to have an interest in the progress in development of that work. Further, she is to come into contact with the girls themselves, to be a counselor to them, and to bring them into very close touch with college life; to interest them in philanthropic work and to bind them with the Association more closely to the regular churches and their work. But her greatest object is to promote the efforts to live Christ-like lives, which is the real cause of the existence of the Christian Association.

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Because he did not dare to
To face the throng of maidens there.

And now from Harvard fair and old
He took his valiant way
To brave those perils all for her
In whom his fond hopes lay:
Away from her he could not stay.

The train a-wheeling stopped at last;
The youth he uprose then,
And grasped his hat and candy box,
Then hurried past some men
And jumped upon the platform, when
He spied a group of folk, and said,
"Now these, then, by their talk,
Are bent on seeing college girls.
Behind them now I’ll walk."
And thus he did behind them walk.
Betwixt them reached a building large;
He heard those people say,
"At last Stone Hall! How large these grounds!"
No longer did he stay
But turned him, sad and lone, away.

Miss Hazard’s house he now would try:
The butler grinned and said,
"Oh no! This ain’t the College Hall,
The President’s instead."
And quickly from that place he fled.

Around, around, the youth went
And around, around went he;
And back upon his tracks, he sped
Fair Simpson now to see.
But nowhere College Hall and she.

A maid—alack that he was born!—
Showed him the steep hill route.
He struck him hard upon a stump,
He hit him on a root,
And rolled and bumped unto the foot.
He then sat up all bruised and sore,
His candy round him lay.
His clothes were all quite rent and torn,
His head began to sway.
No more, no more would he delay.
Away he sped, this poor young youth,
And all the girls he met
Ran quickly from that "crazy man,"
And never would they let
Him come and information get.

But waiting long for that fond youth,
She sat in College Hall;
And, though he wrote a plaintive note,
And asked her to foot-ball,
She thought he ought again to call.

"I quite enough have done," said he,
"And she should answer right away,
To foot-ball I will come to-day."
And so they sit them, he and she.
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Miss Emily H. Hane, 1863, is vice-principal of the Hollidaysburg Seminary, in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania.

Miss Rebecca T. Greene, 1885, is teaching in the High School at Palo Alto, California. Her permanent address is Palo Alto.

Miss Caroline Strong is teaching in Miss Emerson's school in Boston. Miss Strong was a special student at Wellesley, '88-'90.

Miss Marian S. Mitchell, 1894, is just entering upon missionary work at St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai, China. An interesting account of her work since leaving college, and her preparation for her new duties, which included five months at the New York School for Deaconesses last winter, will be found in the October number of The Spirit of Missions.

Miss Paula Schoedlack, formerly of 1900, has returned to Milford and taken a trip to Europe, where she was present at the marriage of her sister in Wiesbaden to an officer of the German army.

Miss Alma Seipp, '99, has returned from Europe and is now in Chicago.

Miss Gertrude Schoeppler, 1903, is teaching at the Buffalo Seminary, Buffalo, New York. Her address is 646 Elmwood avenue, Buffalo.

Miss Mary Cumbie, 1903, is teaching Latin and English in the Normal School at Indiana, Pennsylvania.

Miss Mary B. Jenkins, 1903, is teaching Latin and English in a school in Natchez, Mississippi.

Miss Estelle Smith, 1900, has been seriously ill with typhoid fever this fall but is now recovering.

Miss Vida Scudder gave an address in Portland, Maine, November 9th. During her stay in the city she was the guest of Mrs. Carol Dresser Witherlee, 1900.

The following members of the class of 1893 have sent out cards for class teas during the winter:

Mrs. Annie Tomlinson Sanford, 48 Allerton street, Brookline, on November fourteenth.

Mrs. Mabel Johnson Smith, 49 Cross street, Somerville, on January sixteenth.

Mrs. Louise Edwards Fabian, 21 Sparhawk street, Brighton, on March nineteenth.

Mrs. Alice Lyon Scott, 1902, is now at home in Grafton, California.

Mrs. Mary Roberts Ebert, 1893, has returned from Paris, and will spend the winter in this country.

The address of Mrs. Mary Chase Lockwood, 1896, is Highland, California.

Miss Alice Elizabeth Chase, 1900, is teaching English and History at the Drexel Institute, Philadelphia.

Miss Alice Hunt, 1894, and Miss Florence Bennett, 1897, spent Sunday, November eighth, at the college.

Mrs. Bertha Palmer Lane, 1894, has recently been in Wellesley. Her address is 49 Oxford street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Miss Candace Stimson, 1892, spent Sunday, November first, and part of the following week with Miss Elizabeth Stewart, 1891, at Dania Hall.

Mrs. Elizabeth Snyder Delano, 1896, and Mrs. Elizabeth Bartholomew Sayre, 1894, have been at Wellesley recently. Mr. Delano is staying at Wellesley Hills.

In the last number of Poet Lore, Miss Isabella H. Fiske, 1896, has a poem based on Materlinck's "Life of B." Miss Sue Lunt, 1889-1892, has been at the College recently. Miss Lunt has been visiting Mrs. Helen Eager Swett, 1893, in Newton, since her return from Berlin, where she has studied with Ernest Jelinecka for the past two years. During the winter she will be at home in Chatham, New Jersey, and plans to take engagements as accompanist in New York.

ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED.

Miss Dora Freeman, 1888, to Dr. David Nelson Beach, formerly pastor of the Prospect Street Congregational Church, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

MARRIAGES.

Beatty—Miller. In October, 1903, Miss Anastasia Miller, formerly of 1903, to Mr. Harold Beatty. At home after November first, Lexington, Kentucky.

BIRTHS.

October 16, 1903, at Colchester, England, a daughter, Letitia, to Mrs. Cordelia Nevers Marriott. '96.

October 20, 1903, a daughter to Mrs. Pauline Nummacher Sawyer, formerly of 1900.

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They read in their books of prayers.
I read in my book of songs
I bought at the Stigo fair.

When we come at the end of time,
To Peter sitting in state,
He will smile on the three old spirits.
But call me first through the gate;

For the good are always the merry,
Save by an evil chance,
And the merry love the fiddle
And the merry love to dance.

And when the folk there spy me,
They will all come up to me.
With "Here is the fiddler of Dooney!"
And dance like a wave of the sea.

From The Wind Among the Reeds.

Answer to a Free Press Article in College News for November Eleventh.

The announcement of the 1906 honorary mention list has again raised discussion in the College at large, and in the Free Press, as to the value of these honors. Now a new scheme is proposed, that honors be awarded for excellent work in the several departments instead of in all courses taken by a student. Even supposing that diploma grade must be attained in the complete schedule, would this proposed scheme serve the aim of the present system—namely, to act as a stimulus to a higher grade of academic work? Would it not tend to spur a girl on to better work in one course, at the expense of others, less interesting to her, or harder for her? For example, would not a girl work very hard in German to gain honorary mention in that department and be satisfied with barely credit work in Mathematics or English? Would not the introduction of this system mean that girls would do one thing very well, instead of doing very good all-round work? Does a girl really deserve honorary mention for one excellent course, who is not capable of doing more than credit work in all her courses? On the contrary, should not the hope of gaining this honor be a stimulus to better work in less interesting subjects, as well as in the more interesting one?

G C H

Theatrical Notes.

Hollis-street Theatre—Nat Goodwin in a presentation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."
Tremont Theatre—Blanche Bates in "The Darling of the Gods."
Colonial Theatre— "A Princess of Kensington."
Park Theatre—Annie Russell in "The Younger Mrs. Perling."

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