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Economics Lecture.

On Wednesday afternoon, May 18, at four-fifteen, in the Faculty Parlor, Mr. Felix Rackemann talked to the classes in Economics 12 on the "Possibilities of Legal Control of Monopolies." After a semester's work in theoretical discussion, it was especially valuable for the students to get the point of view of a practical businessman and lawyer.

"Public-service corporations," said Mr. Rackemann, "are not wholly evil. They are formed for the public good. The question of their control is full of practical difficulties. Conclusions are not only hard to reach, but are unsafe, without due consideration of existing conditions and of the effect of legislation. One must ask constantly, 'Is the disease worse than the remedy?'

"The possibilities of control are endless, for corporations are the creation of the legislature, and are subject to its will. Charters are granted, subject to future amendment and repeal. All public service corporations in Massachusetts are to-day under a large measure of control. They can earn only a reasonable sum on their investments, and must give a fairly good service to the public, for a fair compensation. The issue of stocks and bonds, and the amount of additional issues is controlled, and the watering of stocks prevented. The legislature may require anything reasonable, unless contrary to the objects of incorporations."

Monopoly in the speaker's opinion, is subject to the inexorable law of demand and supply. It can, therefore, be only temporary, unless involving a geographical element, as in the case of oil, coal, gas or railroads. Mr. Rackemann also discussed the New York act of incorporation, which he pronounced an attempt to remedy, in much too great detail, an evil which does not exist, and the powers and difficulties of the Interstate Commerce Commission, subjects which the class has been studying.

The constant use of specific illustration made the lecture easy to understand and helpful.

Grace Caroline Humphrey.

The Goose Girl.

In spite of the dismal forebodings occasioned by a week of rain, Saturday, the 21st, proved an almost ideal time for the presentation of this fairy-play. The children who came out to give it, (numbering about one hundred) were taken, some from the Children's Theater of Boston, and some from Medford, but whatever their age or nationality, their excited interest and pleasure in the Wellesley girls and grounds were plainly evident. They arrived about noon, and after the rehearsal, the long procession of little folk started toward the Phi Sigma House, where they were met, and distributed in groups of five to the eager girls waiting there. From the merry chatter and laughter and demand for more, that were heard on all sides, the luncheon itself seemed to be well enjoyed.

At three-thirty, the children were all ready, a large audience was assembled, and the play began. Down into the hollow where the Shakespeare play is always given, came the little Princess, Rosine, black-eyed and curly-haired, with her beautiful "lady-mother," and a long following of tiny courtiers. Then these small folk acted through the pretty old German story of the talking horse, the wicked waiting-maid, the Princess and the devoted goose herd, singing and dancing at intervals; and all the most evident relish. The counsellors, in black gowns and white wigs, "so wise, so wise," and the fairy god-mothers whose days of power were over, were especially delightful. The prettiest song of the entire play was, perhaps, the haunting little lament of the homesick Princess.

"I wander all alone."

To many of the children at the play the most taking feature was the real, live pony; but to the grown-up part of the audience an unmitigated delight was found in the three ferocious dragons, which betrayed that some highly amused little boys were concealed under each dragon's prickly brown skin.

The acting of the children was remarkably good throughout, characterized by an ease and baby grace that won every one's heart. The enjoyment of the small actors was more than equalled by that of their audience, for the delicate bits of satire, the quaint, delicious humor, which Miss Sherwood has contrived to weave into the text of the play gave a spice to the simple lines, as spoken by the childish voices, that was irresistible. The serious meanings of the diminutive Conrad, and of the not much bigger King, on the likeness of men to geese, brought forth hilarious applause from the spectators.

Barnswallows.

The Junior Operetta, given the evening of the twenty-first, closed the Barnswallow season with a flourish. The Swallows have piped their last song of the season and have already signaled their approaching departure for less academic climes. The Juniors sang their farewell proudly and the whole performance has received much merited applause.

The Operetta "Zobeida" was set—as its name indicates—in Persian scenes and called for good dancing as well as good singing to make it a success. Zobeida is a Persian lady of rank whose horse-race has been cast by a learned sooth-sayer—and the destiny of a death at seventeen years is predicted for her if she mentions her birthday on the day itself. The curtain rises on this day—and the whole Persian Court is eagerly diverting her attention with songs and dances. At the crucial moment the Mountaineers with their Prince enter and the fated Maiden is saved.

Miss Olive Nevin, as "Zobeida" played the little-role, and, of course, at once brought the audience under her charmed sway. Her voice—held under excellent control—crooned the Persian songs and then rang out clear and pure to find a ready applause from the appreciative hearers. Her acting was natural and naive, as usual, and her composition undisturbed.

Miss Isabella Pinkham as the Prince of the Mountaineers stood red and fearless while she sang the "Gipsy Love Song." She was called back for the encore, in which her voice found richer and more vibrant tones even than in the beautiful first numbers.

Alice Clause played her minstrel part and sang her song well.

Misses Chapman and Gibbs as handmaids, were good and the charming duet at the end earned spirited appreciation.

The chorus showed good training and looked their parts and the dancing was excellent.

Misses Robinson, Smith, Hollick and Little in the tambourine dance were encored—and Misses Smith and Hollick in the graceful scarf dance were recalled with great vigor.

The Operetta was a piece of work well done and a fitting farewell for the successful Barnswallow year of 1904.

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Whitsuntide Vespers.

Miss Hazard has instituted a new festive service in addition to the Christmas, the Lenten-Easter, and the Baccalaureate Vespers, to be known as Whitsuntide Vespers. This will be of especial interest to the Freshmen, who miss the Baccalaureate service. The service on Sunday evening, while of a different character from any of its predecessors, was wonderfully beautiful and greatly appreciated.

Service Preludes: Processional: “Rejoice, ye Pure in Heart,” H. C. M.

Invocation.

Antiphon: “Come, let us Worship.”

Psalm 115.

Service Anthem: “Rejoice in the Lord,” Henry Purcell.

Scripture Lessons.

Prayer.

Response: “Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies’ Sake”... Richard Farrant.

Organ: On a Bass... Sir John Stainer.

Anthem: “King all Glorious”... Sir Joseph Barnby.

Prayers.

Recessional.

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

May 26, 7:30 P.M., mid-week prayer meeting of the Christian Association.
May 27, 4:30 P.M., in Stone Hall Parlor, Students’ Music Recital.
May 27, 4 to 6 P.M., at the Barn, Senior Social.
7 P.M., vespers. Address by Deaconess Knapp of New York City.
May 30, 3 to 5 P.M., in College Hall chapel, debate between the Senior-Sophomore and Junior-Freshman divisions of the debate club.
May 30, 7:30 to 9:30 P.M., Tau Zeta Epsilon Platform Dance.
May 31, 4:30 P.M., in Stone Hall Parlor, Students’ Recital.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Float will be June 14. The price of tickets is the same as last year, twenty-five cents each. Ten tickets are allowed to undergraduates and five to alumnae. Alumnae are requested to direct correspondence to Helen Segar, 43 College Hall.

At a meeting of the Faculty Science Club, Tuesday, May 17, Miss Merritt read a very interesting paper on “The Development of the Nervous System.”

On Wednesday, May 18, Dr. Perrin, Superintendent of Schools in Wellesley and Professor of German at Boston University, lectured before the Pedagogy Department. His subject was “Teaching of Beginning German.”

President Hazard entertained the Seniors at her house, Wednesday evening, May 18. She addressed them informally on the ideals of womanhood.

At the regular monthly business meeting of the Christian Association, Thursday evening, May 19, the reports of the President and of the chairmen of the various committees on the year’s work were read. The reports showed the year to have been very successful and encouraging as regards the work of the Association in the future.

The Deutsche Verein met at the Zeta Alpha House Friday evening, May 20. The program consisted of the representation by shadow pictures of the poem, “Max and Moritz,” a talk by Fraulein Stüber, on “University Life in Germany,” and the singing of German songs.

Associate Professor Edwards of the Greek Department addressed the Zoology Department, Tuesday, May 24. Her subject was “Birds of California.”

There has been a change in the plan of assigning rooms this year. Rooms were assigned to the members of 1909 who entered College last September, in the order of original application for entrance to College. The students ranked as 1909, but who entered before September, drew as usual for their rooms.

Miss Nan Henning, 1907, visited Miss Elsie Appel last week.

Miss Katharine Hough, formerly of 1905, is visiting at the College.

Miss Gertrude Knight entertained her aunt, Mrs. Daniel F. Cowles, and her sister, Miss Winifred S. Knight, at the College for a few days last week.

President Hazard announced in chapel the gift of a thoroughly equipped life-saving boat, to be kept on the shore near the boat-house, ready for use at a moment’s notice.

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The suggestion in the Free Press of last week, that the scope of the Magazine be widened to admit articles on other than purely literary subjects, demands attention and response. Apart from the question of influencing subscription, such a policy is desirable. The Magazine aims to be a representative of College interests, and although in some senses, the literary must predominate, others have there an integral part. An account of some of the scientific and economic investigation being done in the College would be not only of interest, but of positive benefit. The knowledge of such work—good, earnest, practical work as it is—has come like the opening of a new window, to some girls, who may have heard of it only by chance. An adequate presentation may mean the enlisting of new and valuable interest. If you are doing work, that seems to you of value, not for yourself alone, but for others, let us hear about it. If you are investigating subjects that seem to you to demand attention, speak of them. I have received what has been sent to me, valuable and suggestive knowledge, from the story of an expedition into the Italian quarter of Boston, told off-hand at the luncheon table. Such information, given a wider field through publication, would be of interest to many, within College, and without.

Naturally enough, the five finger exercises of composition are not of equal interest to everybody. A wider scope given to the Magazine, would mean not only a wider circulation, without which it cannot live, but the making of a more vital and representative appeal.

C. S. More, 1904.

Another plan is proposed, namely, the combining of the Magazine and News. This would mean that there would be, each month, three regular numbers of the College News, similar to the present issue, and a fourth "Magazine Number," something after the style of the monthly magazine numbers of the " Outlook."

The two editors-in-chief would work in conjunction in the issuing of this number which would contain substantially all that would be found in the two separate periodicals. It would, perhaps, be necessary to sacrifice form to some extent, but there seems no reason why we should not be able to publish such a periodical attractively, with dignity and order. There is little question that the new publication in the form outlined, could be furnished to subscribers at a considerably lower price than the present "club rates" for the Magazine and News, and, as it would be more universally interesting, it seems probable that the subscription list would be longer than it now is for either publication, and that all subscribers would be better satisfied.

It is evident that, from a financial standpoint, our attempt to publish two periodicals has not been successful, for it is only because of the wide circulation of the News, that the Magazine has been saved from financial ruin. Is there any reason why a combination of the two should not be profitable from every point of view?

Helen R. Norton, 1905.

As a university or college increases in size as rapidly as Wellesley has been growing of late there are more and more means that have to be taken to secure the quickest and easiest ways of communicating information and notices of importance. Until recently the system of bulletin boards with their notices pointed out to us by the index bulletin has seemed sufficient for the needs of the college. This year, however, the number of or-
FREE PRESS—Continued.

Organizations and clubs are so large that it has been necessary to limit strictly those which shall be allowed to put notices on the index bulletin. Academic Department notices, notices of the Student Government Association, class organizations, the Christian Association, Barnswallows and a few others are the only ones to whom this privilege is granted. Besides these organizations there are in College now the Athletic Association, the Consumers’ League, the Philosophy Club, the Economics Club, the Science Club, the Alliance Francaise, the Deutsche-Verein, the Sketch Club, the Scribbler’s Club, the Southern Club, the Debating Clubs, all the State Clubs and others,—most of which have a definite intellectual as well as social aim, and all of which have regular notices to be sent out, some of them as often as every two weeks. These clubs number in members from about a dozen to sixty, roughly speaking. This year the Debating Clubs have indexed notices under Student Government, and what has been the result? Many members of the Association not connected with the clubs take pains to go to the Association bulletin, and, finding for several times only the debate notices there, became exasperated. The next time, when under the index of Student Government a notice of really vital importance to the whole association is posted those students may not spend the time to look it up. That is only one instance of the inconvenience of the present system. This year, too, the charging for resident-mail service has made the possibility of sending individual notices to members of these different clubs a difficult one, as the many College expenses prevent the various organizations from having sufficiently large sums at their disposal to permit of the added expense of mail. There seems to be a need, therefore, of another index bulletin on which these college organizations can index their notices, thus saving a great amount of time, confusion, and expense. A more ideal situation, and one hardly to be hoped for as yet, is to have a new club bulletin board in some as yet unfilled corner of College Hall, besides the club index bulletin next the present index bulletin. If we cannot have both of these, are we not justified in asking that we may at least have the new index bulletin?

IV.

I want to say a few words about the conduct of Wellesley girls away from Wellesley. I live in a small town where the girls often come for a few days at the seashore, especially at this time of year. Several times lately, I have had to blush for my college sisters, when I have heard them use slang, and discuss their friends and the College in loud voices in public places. I have been obliged to make excuses for them, when some of the townspeople have come to me and said, “I always know the Wellesley girls as soon as I see them, for they act like children and as if they owned the town.” Not long ago a friend of mine here, was considering to what college she

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should send her daughter. I suggested Wellesley, of course, and was much surprised, when she said, "I don’t like the manner of the Wellesley girls and do not wish my daughter to be like them." And not the Wellesley girls she had seen were those who come here in the spring.

Now, I know, there is not a person here, who does not wish the girls to enjoy themselves. The girls must remember when they go into a strange place, even if it is small and secluded, that the quietness and dignity which we all, as college women, ought to have, is that by which the outside world judges us. Let us do nothing that will reflect on the reputation of our Alma Mater. An ALUMNA.

Here is an opportunity to show your college loyalty. See if you can not do it.

All through the year and particularly now at the end of the year we all hear “Silver Bay” from every side. One of the reasons why we hear it is that we have been told that our college, and not our wives, will we wish to go to the college to be better represented than it has been in past years. For Wellesley’s sake we must go and show other colleges that we are not one with the others. Besides the women of other colleges, there will be three hundred “prep school” girls at the conference this year, and we simply can not let them think that we are not a jolly enthusiastic lot, in all for the good things going. Even the scholastic engagements and is given up to sports, boating, walking, anything you like.

Last year in the inter-collegiate sports Wellesley scored not a single point! Wellesley with all her boasted athletic girls couldn’t even get up a basketball team. Bryn Mawr, studious and sedate Bryn Mawr, had three, and all the other colleges entered. Not a single Glee Club girl was in our delegation and one lonely chorus number. When the colleges found a Glee Club Wellesley was again in the lurch with its one modest representative, while even the small colleges whose names we hardly know could send three or four.

Let us brace up this year and make a record for ourselves at the conference. We can’t do it unless every girl who can will go. Any girl who has been once will tell you what a splendid time she had. There is an inestimable and most enjoyable amount of good which each girl can get for herself and for the Christian Association at Silver Bay. Underneath the grand good there is an earnestness of purpose which every girl wants in her life. The conference is not, as some seem to think, a vast “experience meeting” lasting from June 24 to July 5, but it is ten days of the most wholesome, and happy, and helpful life that one could find.

President Hazard expects to go, and we must have a delegation that will make her proud of us. Think it over and see if you can’t make one of that delegation. Board for the ten days up there on Lake George at $15.00; the registration fee is $4.00; the railroad offer very low rates, so that the entire expense should not be more than $25.00.

M. P. E., 1904.

RECENT ELECTIONS.

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The following notice recently sent to Alumnae will be of interest to former students of the College:

Four settlement Fellowships of $400.00 each for the year 1904-1905 have been established. These Fellowships may, at the discretion of the Committees on Award, be changed into Scholarships of $400.00.

The following Fellowships (or Scholarships) are open: A Joint College Settlements Association and Association of Colleague Alumnae Fellowship (or Scholarship) to persons holding degrees from all colleges represented in the C.S.A. of the A.C.A.; a Joint C.S.A. and Swarthmore Alumni Association Fellowship (or Scholarship), to former students of Swarthmore College; a Joint C.S.A. and Wellesley Alumnae Association Fellowship (or Scholarship) to former students of Wellesley College. Applicants should state for what Fellowship or Fellowships they apply.

The object of these Fellowships is to open to well-qualified persons the opportunity afforded by settlement life for investigation of social conditions. The object of the Scholarships is to give training in philanthropic and civic work.

No requirements are made beyond residence in a settlement during the academic year and the pursuit of some clearly defined line of work, scientific or practical, under the general guidance of one of the undersigned committees and of the headworker of the settlement selected. The choice of residence should depend on opportunities for the work to be undertaken, and need not be limited to the houses belonging to the College Settlements Association. The time may, with the approval of the committee in charge, be divided between different settlements.

Applications should be sent before July 7, to Mrs. George Haven Putnam, Westhampton Beach, Long Island, N. Y. These should include all data that may be of use to the committee. Applicants should give age, some account of previous education, and state the work for which they are preparing. They should also describe as specifically as possible the topic or line of work they have in mind for their fellowship year. Applications should be accompanied by credentials bearing on character, on ability, practical and scholarly, and on health. The basis of award will be promise of future usefulness.

Miss Charlotte H. Conant, 1884, has been visiting her sister, Miss Martha P. Conant, 1890, who is Professor of English Literature at Mount Holyoke.

Miss Elva H. Young, 1896, is traveling with her mother in the West. They spent a week in St. Louis and left on Monday, May 16, for Denver.

The following addresses have been received: Mrs. Gertrude Chandler Wyckoff, 1879, 147 W. 84th street, New York City; Mrs. Gertrude Timmons Green, 1884-1885, 927 Thomas avenue, North, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Mrs. Harriet Stockman Merrill, Exeter, New Hampshire.

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By her work in the missionary fields of Japan during the last two years, she has nobly carried out the motto of her College: "Non ministrari sed ministrare."

Adele Ogden, President.
Mary L. Nye, Corresponding Secretary.

NOTICE.

The Children's Island Sanitarium invites application by those wishing to become volunteer workers for the summer. The season begins about the 20th of June and ends about the 10th of September. It is desired that the workers remain not less than three or more than six weeks. In making application the time should be stated as definitely as possible. The only expense to the volunteers will be that of working. The volunteers are asked to work about five hours each day. Different divisions of the work being assigned to them in rotation. They are permitted as much latitude in their management as is consistent with the health of the children and the forwarding of the work as a whole. To each volunteer, however, will fall the task of serving two of the children's meals each day, a difficult and not always an agreeable duty, but one so important that it can be intrusted to no one else. When off duty the time of the volunteers is entirely their own. Their pastimes are such as may be found on an island of fifteen acres with grass and rocks.

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16 Emerson Street, Brookline.

BASE-BALL.

The Stone Hall base-ball team met the College Hall team on the Hocky Field at 2 o'clock, Monday afternoon, and after a closely fought battle, defeated them. For the first three innings, College Hall was far ahead, scoring twelve runs to Stone Hall's six. Luck turned for the wearers of the green, however, and at the end of the fifth inning the score was tied. The managers agreed to play it off and in another exciting inning, Stone Hall won.

Both teams showed snap and spirit, the most remarkable playing on both sides being that of the pitchers, Miss Orr for College Hall, and Miss Hutsinipilar for Stone Hall. Miss Little, first baseman for Stone, did some quick work, and Miss Kimball, left field for College Hall, made some very spectacular catches.

The game was well attended by the members of the community, and great enthusiasm was shown on both sides, by the crowds, arrayed respectively in vivid red and green, and also by the crowd of spectators, whose cheering was hearty and to the point.

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