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442 Woosterites Veto Post War Military Training

By a vote of 4 to 1, students opposed compulsory military training yesterday in chapel. The balloting ended two days of discussion on the issue. 442 votes were cast opposing military training and 152 in favor of it. Seven had no opinion.

Two petitions will be sent to Washington listing those students for and against the bill proposed last month by the President. In charge of the recent discussions is Mary Ann Brown. She has wired to the House Military Affairs Committee for a hearing. If a hearing is granted, a student delegation will be sent from Wooster to present both a majority and minority resolution.

Speakers who defended the pro and

con side of the military training argument on Wednesday were Alan Joseph, '49, from Newcastle, Pa., who represented the affirmative side, and Robert Kendall, '46, from Rushville, Ind., who defended the negative view. Both are ex-veterans.

Joseph argued that we must be prepared in the event of another war. He also stressed the educational value and the democratizing effect of such a national program. Kendall opposed compulsory military training because it would fast become obsolete in this atomic age, and also it would not solve the problem of peace because it is actually training for war.

On Thursday morning students participated in an open forum, led by

W. C. Craig. Opposing statements reflected the split in public opinion on campus. Asked Dale Blocher, '47, "Do we want to prepare for another war or peace?" Don Shaw, '46, reminded that the Truman proposal does not mean conscription for the army but merely one year of military training on a civilian level.

The importance of compulsory military training for the future security of the United States was the topic of much debate. Will Lucas, '47, formerly of the Army Air Corps, said that war results when a strong nation attacks a weak one as it happened at Pearl Harbor and that we mustn't let ourselves get weak again. Bob Kendall then pointed out that

we were strong in machines but that our leadership was weak. To prevent another war, Tom Maistros, '49 suggested that the government get a consistent foreign policy and concentrate on stopping potential aggressors before they start. He said that Pearl Harbor might have been averted, had we used foresight when Japan was not so strong.

"Will the advantages of military training as an education offset the disadvantages of militarism?" asked Bob Gish, '48. Bette Cleveland, '46, suggested education for peace and not war. Margaret Ronaldson, '46, believes that education is the answer to keeping a peace, not militarism. On the other hand, Marilyn Strock, '47, formerly a member of the Marine Corps says that military training is the best training for citizenship.

"What about international cooperation?" asked one student, "why don't we do something with the Security Council we set up in San Francisco?" Barbara Cherry, '47, said that we are contradicting ourselves by urging national military training on one hand and internationalism on the other. The effect of our arming on other nations was considered. Asked a sophomore woman, "Will that not lead to a world of nations, armed to the teeth?"

On the ballots, many opinions were noted. Alice Rodgers, '46, said, "I'm in favor of this training as particularly a facing of reality. We'll need bargaining power for the attainment of international organization, our biggest need". Pat Workman, '47, favors it and wants such training to include compulsory courses in foreign affairs "to educate a home front of youth who stayed at home". International

conscription is proposed by Nancy Parkinson, '46, as "a way of acquainting all classes, colors, and creeds."

Opposing the proposal for compulsory military training Virginia Shelling, '46, said, "I do not believe that conscription will aid materially in defending us in case of war or that it will aid us in establishment of a definite peace policy..." Mary Baker, '47, believes that our concentration should be on cooperation with all nations. Said Linda Wells, '47, "You can't speak of peace in the same breath with military training."

Hearings are going on now in Washington about the bill proposed in October by President Truman. Mary Ann Brown urges all students to write their Congressmen, expressing their opinion, pro or con.

THE WOOSTER VOICE

WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN

HAVE YOU GIVEN TO THE BIG FOUR?

BIG FOUR DRIVE ENDS NEXT WEEK

Miss Gould Exhibits Art Work

Exhibits Includes Sketches, Drawings, Prints, Enamels

This evening Miss Sybil Gould, of the Art department, will present an exhibition of her work in the Josephine Long Wishart Art Museum. There will be a formal reception for the faculty circle at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Parmelee, Miss Ruth Ihrig, Miss Ellen Miller, and Miss Dorothy Swan will perform Haydn's String Quartet in G Minor, Opus 74, number 3. Open to the public, the exhibit will last from Nov. 10 to the 30th.

The exhibit will include some rough pencil sketches, line drawings, block printing on textiles, and some metal and enamel work. The pencil sketches come from all over America and were intended as studies from which landscapes could be painted later. The line drawings were done while studying with Amedee Ozenfant, the great French artist, during the last two years.

Miss Gould's textile prints took the first prize at the May show of the Cleveland Art Museum and both they and the metal work have been exhibited widely in Ohio and in the East. All her work shows originality, imagination and honesty.

The department also announces another exhibit which it is hoped can be procured for the month of December.

Printed cottons dating from 1760 and treating with historical events are in this exhibit.

Wooster Girls Attend Fenn For YW Conference

Eighteen northern Ohio colleges are sponsoring the annual Y. W. C. A. conference this year as a "Work Acquaintance Tour" at Fenn College in Cleveland on Nov. 10.

During the morning session Dr. C. V. Thomas, president of Fenn College, will welcome participants to Fenn; Miss Mary Shaufler, professor of sociology at Flora Stone Mather College, will speak on "Problems Confronting the Woman in Industry Today"; Louis Hohn, director of the C. I. O. delegation from Ohio will speak on "Legislation Concerning Women in Industry".

Following this, the group, supervised by Laura J. Daley, supervisor of employment, will tour the Ohio Bell Telephone Co., where they will learn services rendered patrons, including handling of both local and long distance calls, handling of complaints, and general working conditions of employees. John A. Greene, operating vice-president of Ohio Bell, will speak on "Ohio Bell Telephone Company". While there, the group will have luncheon in the employees' cafeteria.

In the afternoon the group will tour radio station WHK, where Miss Eleanor Hansen, director of women's activity, will speak on "Women in Radio".

The group will conclude the work acquaintance tour at the Central Y. W. C. A. with a brief worship service — "We Give Thanks".

The tour is an outgrowth of the "Student in Industry" projects, sponsored by Geneva Region College Y. M. C. A.'s and Y. W. C. A.'s.

Soph Class Opens Social Year, Nov. 16 With Cabaret Party

Next Friday, Nov. 16, there will be an All-College Cabaret Party in the cage at the gym sponsored by the sophomores. Talented members of the class will present variety numbers, an orchestra will provide dance music, and refreshments will be served. Special features of the evening are to be the attractive hostess-waitresses who will take part in the floor show and strolling violinists. In other words, "soft lights and sweet music with the ultimate result of romance," and you don't have to have a date!

Annelu Hutson is in charge of this — the opening function of the sophomore social year. She has appointed the following committees to help her: Entertainment, Bruce Strait, chairman, Jackie Morris, and Bernice Hahn; decorations, Betty Mae Myers, chairman, Mary Matsuzawa, Rose Kesel, Ace Ormond, and Dave Pfeiderer; publicity, Joyce Jarman, chairman, Anna Syrios, Jordan Miller, Kathy Fravel, Jean Gilkeson, and Gene Markley; properties, Nan McKee, chairman, Ed Powers, Betty Delaney, Pat Daly, and Myron Belling; refreshments, Jean Horn, chairman, Jim Hale, Raye Palombo, Carl Andrews, and Kathryn Deen.

Hutch, Shobert Star in Faculty Play, Nov. 17-20

After a lapse of several years the faculty of Wooster once more takes to the footlights. "Abie's Irish Rose" by Anne Nichols, will be presented Nov. 17, 19, and 20th under the direction of Miss Marilyn Johnston. This comedy has had the third longest run of any play in the history of the American theatre.

The cast as it was announced by the speech department is as follows: Isaac Cohen Ralph Young
Mrs. Isaac Cohen Frances Guille
Rabbi Jacob Samuels H. W. Tausch
Solomon Levi W. C. Craig
Abraham Levi John Hutchison
Rose Mary Murphy Rachel Shobert
Patrick Murphy Delbert Lean
Father Whalan "Mose" Hole
Joe Todd Howard Lowry
Bridesmaids Eve Richmond
Elizabeth Coyle

The stage crew will be headed by Dr. Schoepfle of the physics department. Lighting will be under the management of Dr. Ford, while Miss Gould will have charge of the properties. The ticket sales are under the direction of the Faculty Committee on Public Relations, headed by Dr. Grady. A faculty orchestra will play at intermission, and will be under the direction of Dan Parmelee.

Just Ask for Joe!

Goal of \$2,750 Not Sighted; Blackshear Urges Aid; \$2,000 Still Needed

The Big Four Drive, which began Monday, Nov. 4, has set as its goal this year \$2750. The National War Fund, which up to this time has been solicited in a separate drive, has been incorporated into the one financial drive of the year.

The new budget puts Wooster-in-India on its peace-time basis of \$1000, with the hope that the college may return to its practice of sending a student to teach in India next spring. The World Student Service Fund has been increased to \$600. The National War Fund will receive \$300.

On campus the Big Four Drive supports: Y. M. C. A., \$50; Y. W. C. A., \$300; Week of Prayer, \$150; Freshman Forum, \$25; Sunday Evening Forum \$25; and the Big Four, \$300.

Pledges made this week may be paid in one sum, or at three times during the year—Nov. 4-11, January, and March. Every student and faculty member will be solicited.

Dave Blackshear is chairman of the drive. Assisting him are: Mary Lewis, publicity chairman; Jean Wagner, in charge of solicitors for freshman women; Ruth Vial, senior women; Connie Walleit, junior women; Marianna Paull, Holden Annex; Anne Taylor, Joyce Jarmen, Barbara Bowen, and Skippy Pierson, off-campus women; Dave Pfeiderer, Bruce Strait, Boyd Daniels, and Edgar Snell, college men.

B.W. Plays Host to Y.W.C.A. Conference

Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea will play host to the Northern Ohio Area Conference on Nov. 10 and 11. The Y.W.C.A. president and area representatives of eighteen northern Ohio colleges will attend.

Jo Davis, area representative, Ruth Swan, and Lilamay Walkden, area chairman will be present.

The speakers for this conference include: Miss Ruth Haines, national Y. W. secretary; Miss Madeleine Patterson, chairman of National Student Council of Y.W.'s; Capt. Gaston A. J. Vandermeersche, traveling secretary for World Student Service Fund; Dr. Louis Wright, president of Baldwin-Wallace; Miss Marian Mac Laren, area Y counsellor.

Miss Ruth Haines, U. S. O. - Y. W. C. A. campus supervisor for the Geneva region, arrived on campus on Nov. 6 to tell the students about the Y and its work. On Wednesday morning, Nov. 7, she had conferences with the interest group leaders.

An apology is due in regard to the story on "Blithe Spirit", which appeared in the last issue. This article was written by Joyce Jarman and not Prof. Moore.

Thanksgiving Recess Begins November 21

Nov. 18 marks the beginning of the second quarter of the 1945 semester. Throughout this quarter each student will be expected to attend either the college or town churches four times. Nine chapel cuts are allotted each quarter and may be taken at any time. Over-cutting will result in action from the Dean's Office.

Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 12:30 p.m. Thanksgiving vacation begins. Most of the student body will gather up laundry, baggage and roommates and start for home but arrangements can be made through the Dean's Office for room and board if you are unable to leave the campus. All students are due back in the dorms Nov. 26 at 7:50 A.M.

Club Info

Dr. Richard Gore will speak to the Math Club Monday, Nov. 12, on the subject "Mathematics in Music". This meeting will be held in the music room of the Union between 7 and 8 o'clock. All freshmen who plan to major in either math or science are eligible for junior membership.

Sigma Delta Pi will meet on the evening of Wednesday, Nov. 14, at the home of Dr. Myron Peyton to elect new members. The program chairman, Monalea Dunn, is arranging for reports on topics of interest to Spanish students which Dorothy

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Trustees Select Hole Director Of Admissions

Gilbert Hole, formerly a captain in the Marines, has been appointed Director of Admissions of Wooster College. This action was passed by the college trustees at their autumn meeting, Oct. 26.

Mr. Hole, son of Coach Mose Hole, was graduated from Wooster in 1941 as a geology major. He was awarded the first Galpin prize. After training at the Quantico Marine Base, he was commissioned in January 1942. Two years of active duty in the Pacific followed.

At the same meeting, Mrs. Raymond E. Dix of Wooster, formerly Carol Gustafson and May Queen of her class, was selected for the Administration Committee of the trustee board. The board also approved the document for independent study and amended the by-laws of the college.

Alumni Board Meets Saturday

The Alumni Board will meet Saturday, Nov. 10 in the Administration Building. The Board is composed of six trustees, nine elected members, plus the president and vice president of the Alumni Association. Captain Robert D. Workman, '13, is chairman of the Board as well as president of the Association; Miss Dorothy Mateer, '22, Dean of Sophomore Women at Connecticut College, is vice president.

The Alumni Office has already received 110 orders for Dr. Lean's recording of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol".

CHAPEL

Tuesday, Nov. 13—Ralph A. Young.
Wednesday, Nov. 14—Musical program presented by Mr. Dan Parmelee.
Thursday, Nov. 15—The Rev. Du-gald Chaffee, Orrville, O.
Friday, Nov. 16—Dr. Charles Laut-erschlager on "Problems of Modern China".

Noted Physicist Speaks in Chapel Compton Stresses Importance of Atomic Bomb

By RITA McCOLL

"Atomic power is forcing mankind into a greater humanity." With these words Dr. Arthur Compton summed up the future of the world with regard to the atomic bomb, when he addressed the student body in Chapel on Oct. 26.

In relating the story of the efforts to discover the secret of atomic power, Dr. Compton stressed the fact that the world of tomorrow must be one of law and morals. No longer will armies, navies, and air forces be adequate defense by themselves. The tiniest nation with a laboratory and certain raw materials will be able to manufacture this destructive force and use it as they will. With increasing research, the power of the atom will be revealed to a greater extent, and the bomb may reach new heights of destructive power. About one out of every four persons in the bombed areas will be a casualty.

In a world of peace, the discovery of this new energy can prove to be

of as much value as the invention of the wheel, the steam engine, or electricity. Industry and our way of life can be revolutionized by the use of the powerful atom.

The bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were thought by many of the public to be a slaughter of people who already were at the brink of defeat. It was believed that the surrender of Japan was inevitable, and that a feeling of guilt must prevail over the democracies of the world. In answer to this question Dr. Compton told of the quandry that existed in the minds of the scientists when they discovered that the possibilities of atomic energy could be scientifically controlled. A poll was taken of the scientists who worked on the discovery and of the review board. The decision was reached that in order to save the lives of at least a million and a half allied soldiers, the bomb should be used. "We must remember," Dr. Compton pointed out, "that the use

of the bomb not only saved allied soldiers, but thousands of Japanese soldiers and civilians as well.

With the dropping of the bomb on Hiroshima a new age was ushered into the world, and a new power was introduced. Man must prepare himself to meet the task which lies before him. He must learn that the surrender to reason, tolerance, forbearance and unselfishness is the only way to survive. If this new power is used as a destructive force in another international war, the nation using it to the greatest extent would win and thus gain domination of the world.

As the men who worked on the atomic project worked in unity, so must the people of the world unite in an effort to reach a single goal. "This new force was given to the world, not to give it power," said Dr. Compton, "but to make it great." The nations of the world must meet the challenge and rise above this new means of world suicide to gain a united world of peace.

Colleges Revise Study Plans; Emphasize Liberal Education

By HERBERT GLADE

Colleges and universities all over the United States are revising their academic systems. The end of the war and the realization of the failure of modern education has brought about this re-evaluation. The accent is on liberal arts. Wooster is one of the schools which is considering a new study plan.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute is planning a new post-war undergraduate curriculum adjusted to the scientific advances and social and economic changes brought about by the war. This curriculum is intended not only to train the students to be proficient scientists but to recognize their duties as intelligent citizens. Specialization is to be modified and more time given to the study of economics, history,

humanities subjects, mathematics and the fundamental sciences in the belief that an undergraduate should enlarge his comprehension of the roots of engineering rather than specializing in the field he plans to enter after graduation.

Trend From Specialization

In forming the new curriculum the faculty kept in mind the criticism frequently heard in engineering circles that the pre-war engineering courses were too technical and that engineers sometimes didn't understand the social and economic implications of their discoveries. Starting with the junior year and to a greater extent in the senior year, P. P. I. will introduce an electives-option system which allows students to pick electives with em-

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The Honor is All Yours

The question of whether or not the honor system would work on this campus has been the subject of debate for many years. Those who advocate any change for the better regardless of the difficulty of its advancement fervently urge for its establishment, while the more-or-less conservative members of the college recognize it as a theoretical ideal, too difficult to be obtained. So what happens? Nothing. Cheating continues in its various and sundry forms and some students graduate with no further achievement than good eyesight or clever concealment of ponies.

The existence of an honor system is undisputedly desirable; it is only in the possibility of its effectiveness that we meet with conflicting opinions. Problems such as the manner of reporting a violator, the method of dealing with the culprit, and the means of discouraging violations are pronounced baffling and destructive of the purpose to be achieved. But more lies behind the question than such administrative problems.

Even provided that a need exists, no system can be successful unless all those to whom it is to be applied are thoroughly convinced of its worth and are earnestly striving for its fulfillment. Then if the motive is strong enough and universal in scope, technical points can be ironed out as the project progresses. If, as in the case of the honor system, the positive rather than the negative attitude is pursued as the line of approach, better results might be obtained. For instead of stressing the consequences of failing to follow the rules of the system, if the values to be obtained from practicing the honor system could be realized, not only would the problem solve itself, but a goal would be attained, that of the acknowledgement of the real object of study, far beyond the perfection of the system, which is after all merely a means to the desired end.

The honor system is after all nothing new. It has been tried here in the past, but its seeming failure now jeopardizes its retrieval. The statement, "The teacher has the honor, we have the system" is a familiar one. Yet in many classes here an honor system is used, and evidence a desire exists which indicates that it could be used in other classes. There is one particular professor who puts students entirely upon their honor in his examinations. Because of this trust which the students feel has been given them, there is a definite absence of any form of cheating. Even in cases of the most strict proctoring cheating has been known to occur. Doesn't it stand to reason that mature means produce mature ends? With the adoption of the new plan for independent study a more advanced and mature method of study will be attained. It is possible that the honor system could be introduced at the same time. There is a real challenge in the stimulation to do right through both the realization that it IS right and the faith that others put in you that this right will be done.

This is not a drive for immediate adoption of the honor system. Such a plea must come from the entire student body and not from one or two so-called radical reformers. But the question is worth considering. How do you stand on the matter? Think about it yourself, talk about it with others, and then make your decision. — S.W.

It's a Lie!

Have you heard . . . ? If so, there's a good chance it's not so. Despite the fact we're supposed to be a pretty intelligent lot, colleges are prize examples of rumor factories.

"Stop that rumor!" was a good war-time motto to protect us from saboteurs. But it's still good because there are still saboteurs — of hysteria and stupidity.

By the time we've reached that exalted stage as a College Student, we should have reached a stage of discernment. With an eyebrow-quirking sophistry, we wisely refuse to believe everything we see in print but then we turn gullible when it comes to things we hear.

Take Rupert, for instance (or maybe you call him Jake). Someone whispers about a similar case back home — the locale shifts to Wooster — victims mount — and like the cackling of geese, panic sweeps the campus.

It's pretty silly, really. Not only do these foolish rumors cause a lot of wasted energy, but they may also have disastrous results. In the case of Rupert, we might as well believe one tenth of what we hear and trust to the grace of God and our brave men.

But this Message for the Day has much wider implications. To be able to discern between rumor and truth is to be mature. So let's make sure it's so before we believe everything we hear. — J.W.

Letter to the Students . . .

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Ed. Note: A copy of the petition enclosed with this letter has been posted on the bulletin board in Kauke. Those interested should sign their names to the petition which will be sent to President Truman.

Bennington College
Bennington, Vermont
October 29, 1945

Dear Friends:

As student officers, members of the student body, and as citizens of the United States, we would like to call on you for consideration of the gravest problem that we, as a nation, have ever faced.

The problem is how to keep the United States from leading the world into the most ferocious armament race it has ever seen. The atomic bomb has opened up unlimited possibilities of destruction. Unless the facilities of producing and using this weapon are placed under effective international control, the Great Powers of the world will develop them, in a vain search for security and run blindly into another war.

This would spell catastrophe for the world in which we are living and destroy all of our hopes for the future. We are certain that you and your fellow students are as deeply concerned with this challenge as the people at our college.

We feel that the college youth of this country should add its voice to that of the nation's foremost scientists, in asking our government for a bold and responsible step toward international control of atomic energy.

The purpose of this letter is to beg your student body to cooperate with Bennington and other American colleges in shouldering the task before us. Enclosed you will find a copy of the petition which our college community sent to President Truman. We urge you to draw up a similar petition and have it endorsed by your student body and faculty. We also ask you to urge all students and faculty to write to their Congressmen, demanding immediate action on the problem.

The means at our disposal for bringing pressure to bear on our Congressional representatives may appear very slight and inadequate; but we cannot afford to overlook them. If we can enlist the cooperation of other colleges and organizations, the effectiveness of this pressure will mount rapidly in the total picture. We suggest that you bring this matter to the attention of all clubs, churches, and other organizations to which you belong.

We cannot state this plea too strongly. Nor can we over-emphasize the duty and responsibility that is placed before us by the problem of the atomic bomb. We sincerely hope that you will bring this request to the attention of the student body and do everything in your power to promote it. If you have taken any other action or have any suggestions we would be more than happy to hear of them.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary Walsh, Chairman of Student Government
Marilyn Miller, Executive Committee of the United States Student Assembly
Sue Fujii, Educational Policies Committee
Peg Richardson, Chairman of Social Science Seminar
Eileen MacVeagh, Representative of the Student Body

Just Ask for Joe!

Selection from the Bookshelf

"Black Boy" Depicts Struggles of Negro Race

By JORDAN MILLER

Not only because this true story is effective from a literary point of view does it rank as one of the best books published in the last year, but also because of its meaningfulness and sincerity. In *Black Boy*, Mr. Wright brings to the reader the living drama of his own life and struggle among his suffering fellow Negroes.

Without restraint the author takes one through his childhood years in the deep south . . . years of learning the real meaning of hate and want. "My first lessons as a child were in hunger and fear," reflects Mr. Wright. The autobiography thus far reveals almost every thought and emotion cultivated in a confused growing mind, . . . the slow adjustment a negro makes against a thoroughly ingrained and accepted idea . . . the expected obseisance of the Negro.

When Richard was graduating from high school he was chosen valedictorian of his class. The principal of the school called him into his office and handed him a stack of papers. When he found that the principal had expected him to give his speech and not his own, Richard became furious. Although he had not had much education he was bent on expressing his own ideas, not those a worried principal thought "suitable" for an audience of white and colored people. Concerned about his job and afraid that Richard might make more out of the situation than he expected, the principal offered him a position as teacher, whereupon the author reflects,

There are several especially high spots in the book, but those that will catch the reader's attention most of all are the sections on the author's growing indignance and determination to do something for himself and his people. Although shocked and disturbed by some of his peoples' apathy and resignation he urged himself on to fight more and more relentlessly

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CONGRESSIONAL COMMENTS

"The bear that walks like a man," was the phrase that Rudyard Kipling applied to Russia. More currently we speak of the "Russian enigma," the "Red Scare" and other terms, all of which imply a mistrust and fear of that vast country. It has been that way throughout the ages. Few foreign observers have ever been able to analyze Russian strengths and weaknesses correctly. Man's greatest fear is of the unknown, and Russia has been the great question mark of all times. Is it a wonder that we do not know quite how to deal with her?

Let us look at several points of interest with regard to Russia. First, there is her relation to Eastern Europe, and the occupation problem. Then there is Russia's position in the Far East. Her domestic problems likewise will receive some attention, and lastly, Russia's relation to the United Nations organization.

Russian armies have succeeded gloriously upon the field of battle. No one can deny that. However, as armies of occupation, they leave much to be desired. They have continued their war policy of living off the land as they conquered it. They rob and pillage, reminding one of Napoleon's victorious armies. Reports coming from Berlin, Vienna, Budapest, and other Russian occupied cities, tell of almost uncontrollable Russian soldiers looting and raping, and carrying themselves in a most despicable manner. There seems to be little discipline, with officers themselves often leading looting parties.

The tremendous prestige which the glorious victories of the Red Armies brought in their wake is losing strength and naturally so. Communist factions, directed from Moscow have lost a great deal of power through the example of their "comrades." Reactions against the Communists have been widespread throughout Europe. But by no means think that the communists are not powerful. They are. It is merely that they have not lived up to the predictions of political observers.

Thus it seems that Russia's plays for

a ring of friendly states surrounding her western border have run into more than a slight snag. The German masses' fear of Bolshevism, and the general mistrust in Eastern Europe and the Balkans, have been aggravated far more than necessary. Perhaps the Russians realize this, for they have replaced the battle scarred troops which are admittedly under looser discipline with fresh troops under tighter control. Perhaps, however, the best method of retaining their friendship with Eastern Europeans would be a skeletonizing or complete withdrawal of Russian occupation armies.

Turning to the Far East we find the Russian situation a complete question mark. Last summer Stalin pledged support to the Nationalist forces of Chiang Kai-shek, or at least a hands-off policy in dealing with the communist factions. This seems to have had little effect upon the activities of those factions. In Northern China and Manchuria communist armies have been seizing control of railways and vital points, with Russian soldiers looking on benevolently. However, there seems to be little evidence of active participation. Russia has agreed to withdraw her occupation troops by the 15th of November, and there seems to be little doubt among competent observers that she will not do so. Nevertheless she is still there, and how much support she is actually giving the Chinese communists is a big question mark.

Closely allied to this is the Russian attitude towards the Far East Allied Control Commission. Much of the necessary work to be done has been greatly delayed by Russian refusal to participate.

Not the least perplexing matter with regard to Russia is the current flood of rumors concerning Generalissimo Stalin. Persistent reports insist that he is dead or dying. One thing is certain, and that is that he was unable to attend the recent Bolshevik anniversary celebration. "Uncle Joe" deserves a rest, for it was his dynamic leadership which brought Russia from near defeat to victory. We may disagree with him on many counts, but we must give him credit for the leadership which he afforded.

"He was tempting me, baiting me; this was the technique that snared black young minds into supporting the southern way of life." That night Richard gave his own speech.

His experiences with prayer were interesting, too. His grandmother planned one hour of prayer for him in his room every day. Each time Richard laughed thinking how asinine he felt and how insincere his actions were so comes to the conclusion that "if there is such a thing as God He will look down and laugh at my foolish denial of Him . . . and if there is not, why all the fuss anyway?" It is interesting to note that although under a tremendously religious influence, Richard, as a youth, seemed wholly unaffected by this atmosphere that he lived through in his youth.

Besides his technique as a literary artist, the author has a purpose that is undoubtedly as close to him as life itself . . . equality. It's the real story told in graphic and poignant style of a Negro and his ability and courage to rise above his surroundings. Excellent reading.

Just Ask for Joe!

Party Lines

By Cornie

Dear Daughter:

Since your mother's arthritis in her hand is bothering her tonight, she has delegated me to write the weekly letter, so here I go. Some of the details may be missing but I shall do my best.

Your mother and I went to the CHURCH SUPPER last night. The meal was fine, although it couldn't compare with your mother's. Mr. Hole, head of the Sunday School, gave the address. You would have enjoyed it, my dear. Sister took it down in shorthand ("just for practice," she said), so I will send it as soon as she transposes it.

The twins send their love. Janey requests me to tell you that the PEANUTS are having their formal initiation tonight and Janey says the IMPS are going to the cabin. I am afraid I do not realize the full significance of these events, but I am induced by the twins into believing they are all important.

Our new maid Helga is developing quite nicely, although she still overdoes my eggs. She and her young man, the gardener next door, are going to a DIRNDL DANCE tonight. It's sponsored by the local German club, and Helga is quite excited. She is working now on some kind of doo-gadget for her head. Sort of a pancake with ribbons, although I'm not sure. These women!

Your brother Tom is going to a SECTION PARTY tomorrow night. I know nothing now about it except that he's cleaning his shoes and it's a whole day before it.

Our little neighbor, Aurie HOOVER, just ran in. She is almost overcome with excitement because she (and her parents) are having OPEN HOUSE tomorrow, and we all get to come. I hope that invitation is official.

Now . . . have I forgotten anything? Oh, yes, I see by the paper that the TRUMPS are having formal initiation Sunday. Mother thought you might like to know. The clipping you sent of "Daze of Our Weak" was amusing, but I know I have read it somewhere before. I believe it was in the insane asylum where I worked in '29. And now the last morsel of news I have for you is that Liz Ann has finished her sweater after two years, two weeks, and a day! Your mother and I were too overcome to speak when she first told us.

But now I must say good-night. If you need any money, let me know — after the first. Don't let those books get you down, and keep smiling. We all send our love.

—Your Father.

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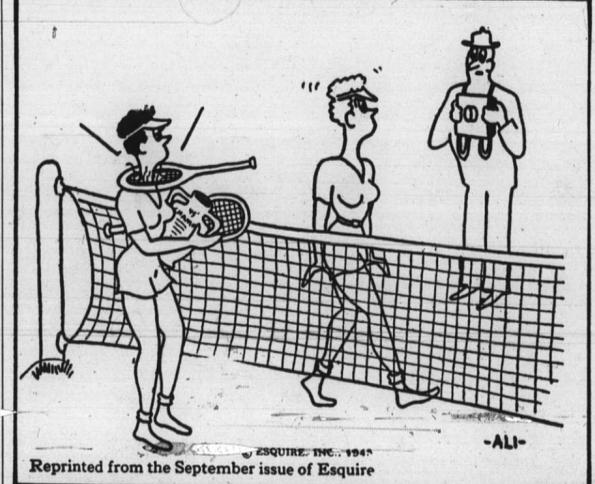
By BERYL STEWART

Baritone Leonard Warren of the Metropolitan Opera opened the concert season on Monday night, Nov. 5, in the Chapel. His past is a travelogue starting in the Bronx. As a versatile youth, Warrenoff (his rightful Russian name) helped in his father's fur business, studying advertising at Columbia on the side.

His singing lesson might have remained a hobby but for the depression which ruined the fur business. Leonard got a job in the chorus at Radio City Music Hall. He was rewarded for his earnest study of voice by winning the 1938 Metropolitan Auditions of the Air contest, plus a \$500 check. With the check he went to Italy to study. Then began his operatic roles. As Falstaff, succeeding Lawrence Tibbett at the Met, he made

his fame. As part of his good neighbor policy, he was the star of the Buenos Aires Teatro Colon, the most important opera house in the Western Hemisphere.

Here at Wooster he gave the audience his best. He is a natural actor whose entertaining gestures added gusto and meaning to his singing. All of him seemed to be having a good time. His jolly manner brought a warm response from the audience. The variety of the program was magnificent—the French and Italian selections as well as "Figaro" which brought a thunder of applause. Mr. Snell, his accompanist's skillful display at the piano, Mr. Warren's enthusiastic encores, and the power of his voice in "The Lord's Prayer" brought a fitting finale to a great evening.



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THE PRESS BOX

By Art Freehafer

There is a problem which is confronting most college and university athletic departments today. Perhaps it should not be classed as a problem, because it has not been the cause of much worry and debate. The matter which is referred to is that of permitting freshmen to try for varsity sports. Many colleges and universities, in their haste to return to pre-war status have neglected to consider this matter in its fullest extent. They are too much interested in getting back to the old days and to start all over again. They forget to realize that maybe the athletic department needs to be changed to the post war status and not to the pre-war status.

Everyone agrees that during the war the use of freshmen on the varsity teams was all right. There was nothing else to do unless athletics were to be dropped. The smaller schools without service men might have been able to get eleven or so 4-F's to play football, but that would have been hardly enough to play the game the way it should be played. In order to keep athletics going in some schools the freshmen had to be used and they proved to be a lifesaver. Well, the war finally ended and colleges are even resuming athletics where they left off. After the surprisingly good job the freshmen did, it looks as if they will be banned from varsity sports as before. Most colleges and universities want to go back several years and play basketball and other sports back there instead of playing them now.

Probably the main reason for criticism against the participation of fresh-

men on the varsity is that it takes a boy at least a year to accustom himself both to college athletics and studies. That argument is very weak. Take Notre Dame, Ohio State, and Michigan for a few examples. All used freshmen for football during the war and all had top ranking football teams. Michigan's football team at the present is composed mostly of freshmen. They seem to be getting along pretty well. Just think what these freshmen could do mixed with upperclassmen.

It is a pity to have an athlete on the freshman team who is as good if not better than any varsity man. He is merely wasting his usefulness. Someone will probably say that a freshman in college, just out of high school is not good enough yet and has not had the experience or the right kind of training. If that is the case it is a peculiar thing that there have been freshmen who have been as good if not better than the upperclassmen. There are many high schools which have coaches who have built up teams in athletics just as good as any college could build. These are coached by men who should be in the colleges and universities, such as Paul Brown, one time football coach at Massillon High School, and Anderson at Lower Marion in eastern Pennsylvania, who has been putting out championship basketball teams just about every season for about twenty years. From these high schools and many others there come many athletes to college, who, instead of playing varsity ball where they belong, have to wait around for a year. It is all because of a silly old fashioned rule which someone made up some time ago. It seems to this sport writer that colleges and universities should play in this day and age and not in yesteryear.

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PREDICTIONS

It is time once again to give our ideas on the coming football games throughout the nation. Looking at what happened last week, we feel a little relieved that no predictions were made. Last week's football outcome was almost unpredictable, and what seemed to be predictable turned out to be the opposite. Last week is over, however, so we shall turn to the games to be played Nov. 10.

The big game this week is the ARMY-NOTRE DAME game. ARMY is ranked as the top team in the country today, and surely NOTRE DAME is not far behind. NOTRE DAME, weary from its struggle with Navy last Saturday, will fight hard for a victory, but ARMY will have a little too much. It looks like a whale of a ball game with ARMY coming out on the long end.

OHIO STATE goes to PITTSBURGH and the Buckeyes look a little too powerful for the Panthers, but don't think it is going to be a walk-away, and don't be surprised if the Ohio boys lose. Lots of things have happened in football before and they can happen again. We do think, how-

ever, that OHIO STATE will win over PITT.

Most people will pick INDIANA to beat MINNESOTA just because of the record of games won and lost. We think MINNESOTA is too good to be losing every week. We pick MINNESOTA to be victor.

The NAVY-MICHIGAN game ought to be a thriller. After MICHIGAN surprised everyone last week including the boys from Minnesota, one might expect the same to happen with NAVY. We feel that NAVY is still the number two team in the country, with Army ahead of them, and therefore we expect NAVY to win.

After the way NORTHWESTERN defeated Purdue and came close to doing the same thing to OHIO STATE, it looks like the Chicago boys are getting better. We think they will provide a good match for WISCONSIN and finally defeat them.

With the SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA-CALIFORNIA game staring us in the face we hardly know what to say. After flipping the coin it comes out in favor of SOUTHERN CAL.

COLUMBIA has been undefeated so far this year, but its toughest game has not been played yet. There is no doubt that COLUMBIA has a good team, but PENN will have too much power, and will come out of the battle as the victor.

We pick PENN STATE over TEMPLE; ILLINOIS over IOWA; TENNESSE over MISSISSIPPI; Duke over NORTH CAROLINA STATE; GREAT LAKES over MICHIGAN STATE; BAYLOR over TEXAS.

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—Cary March

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Put a great big red circle around Nov. 16 and set your alarm clocks for 8:00. A cabaret dance, sponsored by the sophomore class, given for the entire college, will have all the bells ringing. So don't get lost in the rush.

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The Scots got their first touchdown toward the end of the first half when Panarese intercepted a pass on his own 40-yard line and raced for a touchdown. A touchdown was made possible by beautiful blocking by Tarquinio and Ghering.

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Women's Athletics

By Anne Ferguson

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- SWIMMING**
Mon. and Wed., 9:45 p.m.
Sat. morning 11:15-11:45.
- TENNIS**
Sat. morning 10:30-11:30.
Last Monday the W.A.A. Board had as its guest, Dr. Lowry, who spoke about the possibility of having a separate girls' gym.

We are still waiting to hear whether Dennison will accept our invitation to come up Saturday, Nov. 10th for a Play Day. We have challenged them in hockey, tennis, and archery, and probably we will have free swimming for all. Remember if you can't play you can always cheer. The golf tournament is under way so let's get out and dig up the turf before the snow flies. The Tennis tournament is moving into the 3rd round and we hope to get it finished this week.

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School Architecture Exhibit Closes at Galpin Museum

"Modern Architecture for the Modern School" was the title of the art exhibit recently on display in the Josephine Long Wishart Museum of Art in Galpin Hall. The latest developments in elementary school architecture were illustrated by 40 enlargements of the best modern elementary schools, 30 panels with drawings, photographs, and the labels explaining the contrast between the old and new methods of architecture.

Arrangements for bringing this exhibit to Wooster were made by Prof. Theodore Brenson, acting head of the college art department. He lectured on "Modern Architecture for the Modern School" Tuesday evening, Oct. 30, to students and residents of the community.

This display was designed by Mrs. Elizabeth Mock of the Department of Circulating Exhibitions for the Museum of Modern Art of New York City. She states its purpose as follows:

"The purpose of this exhibition is to show that the elementary school should be designed in relation to a child's psychological as well as his physical needs. Not only should it provide spacious, well-equipped conveniently related rooms and plenty of light and air, but it should be a place where the child can feel that he belongs, where he can move in freedom, and where he can enjoy intimate contact with the outdoors.

"For these reasons the really modern school should be a rambling one-story building, gay and friendly, direct and unpretentious, that welcomes the outdoors as enthusiastically as the old-fashioned school sought to exclude it."

In addition to examples of school buildings in the United States there were also some from France, Brazil, England, Switzerland, and Sweden. Among the schools in the United States used for demonstration were Bell School, Los Angeles; Larkin School, Monterey, Calif.; Hessian Hills School, Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y.; Consolidated School at College Station, Texas; and Crow Island School, Winnetka, Ill.

Revise Study Plans

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phasis on a specific field. R. P. I. has always avoided uncoordinated selection of electives on the grounds that such freedom leaves the student with little he could use. These are to be made possible by a more careful selection of students and additional training in pre-college courses made available at the college.

In September, Illinois College began operating under a new program of basic liberal education with a carefully organized system of electives that is expected to lead to superior vocational and professional achievements. The faculty believes that all students, men and women, must have an acquaintance with certain general fields of knowledge. One or two years of foreign language, either math or social studies, and a course in some laboratory science, to acquaint the students with the present achievements of modern science, are required.

Bates College has adopted a new plan that is hoped will achieve three broad educational goals: (1) to provide each student with an understanding and appreciation of the main fields of human knowledge, (2) to give each student a sequence of liberal arts courses that provide a foundation for a successful career, and (3) to help each student develop attitudes and abilities without which no amount of knowledge can produce an educated individual."

Harvard Requires Basic Courses
Harvard is considering revising its study plan. Under the proposed plan all students would be required to take a basic course of English, science and mathematics. While electives will not be eliminated, they are to be chosen with greater care. It is hoped that this plan will prevent premature specialization and the failure of students to get a well rounded education.

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Freshmen Elect Class Officers

Hail the class of '49! Recently elected officers of the freshman class are Dave Cull, president; Betsy Jones, vice president; Bobby Huettich, secretary; and Chuck Lang, treasurer.

The new president, Dave Cull, selected Wooster for his alma-mater because he wants to be a pre-ministerial major. Dave's high school activities ranged from track and cross-country to playing the trombone in the orchestra and band. As a background for this office, he was president of his freshman and junior class in high school.

Betsy Jones kept herself busy in Lakewood High School by being active in numerous clubs including the student council, a cappella choir, gym leaders, and speakers' club. The vice-president has recently shown herself in the music field by being selected as a member of the girls' chorus.

Roberta Huettich commonly known as Bobby also comes from East Cleveland. Many of the attractive posters around Kauke have come from the hand of this artistic secretary. Though undecided as to her major, the fields of art and religion attract her. Her future might be missionary work in China or India. Bobby is an officer of the Westminster Fellowship of the Synod of Ohio.

Well qualified for the office of treasurer is Chuck Lang, a math major from Rochester, N. Y. There he was business manager of his school paper. His tentative plans are to take three years of work at Wooster and then transfer to M. I. T. for two more years. Upon graduation, he would receive his B.A. and B.S. degrees.

McKee and Ramey Named to New Posts

John D. McKee, who has been associated with the college for over a quarter of a century, has been made Director of Public Relations, a new position on the Administration Staff of the college. President Howard Lowry made the announcement Friday morning, Oct. 26. At the same time it was announced that Zearl Ramey has been appointed Purchasing Agent and Director of Maintenance.

Professor McKee was graduated from Wooster in 1917 and has been on the college staff since 1920 when he became the college's first alumni secretary. In recent years he has been business manager.

Under Mr. McKee's direction, the College of Wooster Alumni Association has been placed on a permanent basis and his organization is rated by college alumni secretaries as one of the best in the country. More than 40 alumni clubs have been organized and they meet annually on Dec. 11 to observe Wooster Day.

A committee appointed by the Board of Trustees to pick the director chose him unanimously because of his wide acquaintance with the history and problems of the college.

Mr. Ramey was a member of the Class of 1927. His first work in connection with the college was in the last endowment campaign. He has promoted the development of new interest in the college among 600 Presbyterian churches in the state. Since 1941, these churches have yearly set aside one Sunday in December to be known as "Wooster Day".

Asks Student Aid Belgian Underground Officer Speaks

"International cooperation", said Capt. Gaston Vandermeersch, "is what we must give to the world — not only in politics, but in religion and culture too". This young Belgian intelligence officer spoke last week for the World Student Service Fund, one of the organizations supported by contributions to the Big Four Drive.

"Books, laboratory equipment . . . all this you help to buy when you give to the World Student Service Fund", Capt. Vandermeersch said. He stressed the necessity for international understanding as well as the important role of university students all over the world. His plea was made more poignant by personal references to Europe as he left it.

When a student at the University of Ghent, Gaston Vandermeersch joined the Belgian underground as a lieutenant. He and other students organized resistance activities. The Nazis then invaded his country. Everyone was forced to register for work and Gaston at one time carried 25 different identification cards to keep him safe while he carried on his underground work.

Gaston was captured in 1943. He was condemned to death at length by the Gestapo and it was the arrival of American troops in April 1945, that saved him from the death penalty. He tells of how the German commander of his camp was ordered to deliver a certain number of prisoners for execution before the Americans arrived. "But instead of sending us — the political prisoners — he sent 12 German convicts. He saved our lives. I never know why he did that", said Gaston. In describing the joyful liberation, he remarked, "No one will ever know how happy we were . . ."

Of life in the prison camp, the young Belgian said "they did not treat me badly". He wryly admitted that he had only been beaten up several times, a few of his front teeth knocked out, and his nose broken when the Gestapo tried to find out the secrets of the Belgian underground.

After his liberation, Gaston Vandermeersch was contacted by the

World Student Service organization whose headquarters are in Geneva. With no knowledge of English, he agreed to come to the United States and speak for the university students of Europe who have had their schools, books, and equipment ruined by bombings.

His lessons in English began in September and continued on the boat — a Norwegian ship — on the way to America. He got it all from books as there was no one on board to speak with him. When he came to Wooster, Gaston had been in this country only eight days and he had studied our language little more than one month.

Gaston Vandermeersch is one of three European students — one Dutch, the other French — who are speaking throughout the United States for the World Student Service Fund. He is speaking in the central region which includes New York, Pennsylvania, the New England states, and Ohio.

After his tour, Gaston will continue his education. While at the University of Ghent, he majored in mathematics and physics so his post-war plan is to continue in those fields. He has two more years of undergraduate training. "Then I think I want to be a research chemist . . . or else do something with atoms," he said.

"I do not want to go to a big university," said Gaston. He wants to go to a college where there is a good scientific course as well as a home-like atmosphere. " . . . and a co-educational school too", he laughed.

Club Info . . .

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Taylor, Dorothy Campbell, and she will give.

Last Monday "Los Amigos" met in lower Babcock from 7 to 8 o'clock. Monalea Dunn gave a resume of a Reader's Digest article and Norma Bircher and Jordan Miller enacted a skit. There was a song fest during which several new songs were learned. The meeting was topped off with refreshments.

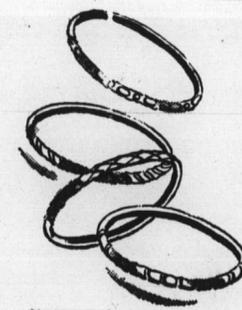
The French Club will hold its next meeting in lower Babcock, Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 7 p.m. Something new in the way of a travelogue entitled "Tour of Paris" will be presented. Officers for this year are Jackie Theis, president; Pat Coleman, vice-president; Dottie Taylor, secretary; Jane Richardson, treasurer.

Viennese and Strauss waltzes, the polka and the Schottische promise an unusual and outstanding evening tonight, Nov. 9, at 8 in lower Babcock, as the Deutscher Verein invites all college to its annual Dirndl Dance. Entertainment during the intermission is being planned by club president Bruce Strait to include among other things the singing of American popular songs which have been translated into German by Dr. Schreiber's second-year class. Other committee heads are Helen Agricola, refreshments; and Jean King, admissions. A small admission fee of 15 cents will be charged.

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