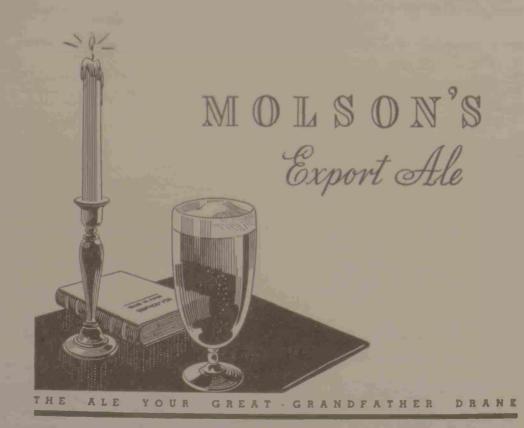
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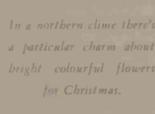
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### Alumni Notes

Miss Freda I. Howie, B.A. is teaching French at Ville LaSalle School. Miss Vivian S. Howie, B. Sc., is taking postgraduate work in the faculty of Medicine at McGill.

Miss P. A. Wiggett, B.A., has entered the Sherbrooke

G. Maurice Durgan, B.A., is on the office staff of Crane

Miss Barbara Greene, B.A., is now attached to the teaching staff of East Angus High School.

Miss E. I. Groome, B.A., is teaching at Ayer's Cliff. where Mr. Roy Berry, B.A. '36, is now principal.

Curtis Lowry, B.A., has been appointed principal of the

Miss F. E. MacDonald, B.A., is on the staff of Waterville

Miss Fleda N. Brilhart, B.A., has been transferred from

M. J. Dunsmore, B.A., who was for four years quarterback at Bishop's is now on the staff of Huntingdon High

Carl E. Norris is teaching at Knowlton High School. Miss M. A. Platt, B.A., is at Bedford High School,

Miss E. R. Browne, B.A., has returned to her home in

J. L. Hearn, M.A., is now Principal of the High School

D'Arcy T. Lynch, B.A., received his B.C.L. at McGill He is at present in the office of Wells & Lynch in Sherbrooke.

Rev. W. O. McL. Christie, B.A. TH., has been moved from Montague, Ont., to VanKleek Hill, Ont.

Miss L. E. Moir, who was a member of the University in '35, has accepted a position with Philip Carey Co. Ltd.,

Capt. W. L. Tomkins, B.A., has been appointed Adjutant of the Reserve Base Depot in Sherbrooke.

A. G. C. Whalley, B.A., who has been a Rhodes Scholar Canada, and is now on the staff of Rothesay Collegiate School, N. B., where he is Classics Master, Organist and

School at Morin Heights, Que.

I. G. Withall, B.A., is now at Lachine High School.

J. G. Cameron, B.A., has recently moved to Chicago where he has taken up a new position.

Earl Smith and Kenny Pyper who were members of the University in '34-'35 are Provisional Officers of the Royal

Mr. Orsen Wheeler, B.A. '27, has recently been made an associate of the Academy of Art.

to retire to St. Agathe. It is hoped that his condition is

Geo. H. Tomlinson, a son, Peter George, Mr. Tomlinson

At the Homeopathic Hospital, Westmount, on November 9, to the Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Royle, a son, Peter Don-

Buik-Barlow. - The marriage of Miss Georgina Lois, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Barlow, to Mr. David Matthias Church, Westmount, the Rev. Gilbert Oliver ofwas at Bishop's '29-'30. After a honeymoon spent at the

18, at St. Simons Church, Toronto, the marriage took place of Miss Jean Alexander, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs. R.

Stevens received his full Lieutenancy in that unit. While

Lester Campbell McLeod, B.A., 31, son of Mrs. E. K. and (Continued on page 40)

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## Exchanges

During the past month, several very good publications. have been received in exchange for the Mitre. One of these, a newcomer to our list, will doubtless prove of considerable interest to students at Bishop's. This is the magazine en-Publications, Incorporated, of New Haven, Connecticut. It consists of stories and articles which deal with all phases of college life, some of them written by professionals, while others are taken, wholly or in part, from university magapublished in the current number, the best is probably the one called "So Long Keg", the story of a gallant but obstreperous freshman. Among the articles, "Hoop Rolling Riot" which deals with the fate of the Harvard men who interfered in the Wellesley Hoop Rolling contest last year, is the most entertaining. Then too, we might take notice of the contest which the magazine is sponsoring with the object of discovering America's most beautiful co-ed. The pictures of prospective winners, which are to appear in forthcoming issues will undoubtedly prove interesting. Those who have a yen to revive the custom of freshman initiation at Bish may get a few pointers on this highly tion ceremonies on page thirty-one. These pictures were rism which is so adequately presented. Altogether, the magaas far as we know. Incidentally, it contains some very good cartoons, some of them smacking strongly of "Esquire."

Among the magazines received from various colleges, the most notable are "Kiwi", from Aukland University College, Aukland, New Zealand, "Review", from Canterbury University, Christchurch, New Zealand, and "The Trinity University Review", from Toronto. The firstnamed is very tastefully arranged and printed, and presents stories, articles and poems of a definitely superior type. The reason for this excellence of material may be found in the editorial, in which the editor states that so many good contributions were received that some had to be left out of the magazine for want of space to print them. Oh, that such a situation might prevail here at Bishop's! One item in the current number which is well worth reading is "Business as Usual (An Office Opera)", being the tender love story of a secretary and her boss, put up in Gilbert and Sullivan style. Besides this, there are several selections, both humorous and serious in tone, which are decidedly above average.

One unusual feature of the magazine is a long list of graduates, accompanied by some very uncommon quotations under each name. For instance, under the name of a man called John James Lewis, we find the following: "'As the French say, there are three sexes—men, women and clergymen'—Smith"; under Amy Christine MacDonald, this one: "A lady is one who never shows her underwear unintentionally."—Lillian Day"

The Canterbury College "Review" is a rather startling magazine, consisting mostly of articles expressing somewhat radical ideas on current social problems. These were evidently written before the war broke out—it would be interesting to read the views of their writers at the present time. As the editor himself suggests, the book is strongly lacking in material apart from political discussion. It would be greatly improved if more contributions of a purely literary or scientific nature could be secured and included in its pages.

"The Trinity University Review" is a very creditable publication, both in respect to appearance and to content. For an instance of the latter, see the article entitled "The Athenia: September 3rd"—the first-hand story of a survivor of the Athenia disaster. "Incident in Georgia: 1864" is an entertaining account of an event in the American Civil War, written in exceedingly effective English. Students at Bishop's will be interested to find, in the Editorial, a quotation from an article written by the Rev'd Sidney Childs, and published in the "Review" of October, 1914.

We have on hand the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Number of the "Manitoban", the official newspaper of the Students' Union of the University of Manitoba. We wish to add our congratulations to those which the editor has already received, and to extend best wishes to this paper for as brilliant success in the future as it has enjoyed in the past.

With this issue, we welcome to our list of exchanges another new paper, "The Gateway" from the University of Alberta. It is the feeling of many students here that we should try to exchange the Mitre for magazines or newspapers of more universities, rather than those of so many schools. The addition of "The Gateway" to those which we already receive will perhaps be a step in this direction. Certain it is that there is no better way to keep informed on the activities and thought of university students in other parts of the country than to read their college publications. It is the hope of your Editorial Board to negotiate the exchange of our magazine for more American and Canadian university papers in the very near future.

BILL POWER

## Notes and Comments

always comes with the examinations. You will have, if fee, and swallowed approximately a dozen aspirins. You and the rest will have formed a sticky mass in the bottom of your pocket. A number of you will not have shaved for a week, and two of you will be attempting to grow a have forgotten to put on makeup, and a few will even have runs in their stockings! All of you will have made the firm resolution to do some work during the coming term; and how many of you will keep it? And gentle reader, unless I am greatly mistaken, nine tenths of you will be labouring

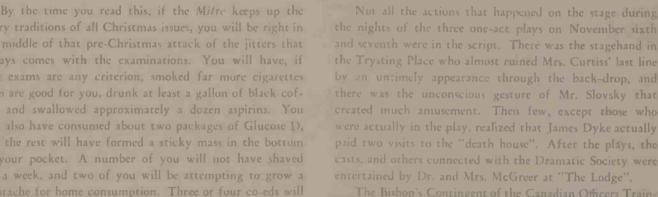
as, "I'm getting a fat first for Christmas or else," or "I

On that same week-end Ed Parker was playing host to about twenty Bishop's men in the Western Hospital. We

Quite a number of the lads from the college attended the dance at King's Hall, Compton, on Friday 17. We Wonder what happened in the swimming pool that made it couldn't have been the water. Rumour has it that one of our northern lights in the New Arts went high hat after

jaunt to Europe since the last issue. He reports that they get less news about the war over there than we do, which doesn't seem possible. However, he is in excellent form and has some choice tales to tell of Irish colleens, Edinburgh

We regret to hear of Dr. McGreer's illness and trust that he will be up and about before very long.



ing Corps held its annual dance on Wednesday, November bombers reeled across the skies. We understand that the too early. . . . Other sound efforts were Corporal Walters

while Lord Shaughnessy and Linc. Magor were the Bishop's team. After the debate the teams were entertained by Dr.

lege course with regular lectures and examinations being

pigeons . . . and that is about all the gossip we have for this issue. We hope you succeed in all your endeavours and to you all . . . Happy Christmas . . . Merry New Year,



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Kydd led an attack from their own forty-yard line to the Bishop's thirty-five. Cooper saved the day for Bishop's by falling on a fumble in the closing minutes. The game ended with a 12 to 5 victory for Bishop's.

### BISHOP'S AT LOYOLA

The Bishop's caravan made its annual trek into Montreal on October 28 to see the Bishop's-Loyola game and other events of interest. Leaving the "events of interest" to the more competent authority of Notes and Comments, I will attempt to describe the game.

The opening minutes argued well for Bishop's. Our team with a favourable wind received the kick-off. Then in three successive first downs, the purple contingent pushed Loyola back to their twenty-yard line. This stirring thrust was led by Bateman, Robinson and Flintoft. Loyola, however, was saved by Asselin's kicking and squeezed their way out of a ticklish spot without a Bishop's score. After this disappointment Loyola managed to keep our team a safe distance. Unfortunately an injury occurred in this quarter. Walters, while making a tackle, received a concussion. In a somewhat dazed state he continued to play until half time when he was persuaded to take a rest. Bradley, however, took over the job of kicking after Walters' accident.

Loyola entered the second quarter with a smashing drive. Asselin and Pare led the way. A beautiful pass from Pare to Macdougall brought Loyola to our 35-yard line, and Bishop's was on the spot. After a kicking battle between Bradley and Asselin, the latter succeeded in scoring a rouge for Loyola. Bishop's scrimmaged on their 25-yard line and once more Bradley and Asselin rivaled kicks. Asselin had the advantage of Bradley's lack of practice, however, and scored another rouge, making the score 2 to 0.

In the third quarter Loyola kicked off against the wind. The Bishop's machine showed little brilliance with possession of the ball, and failed to get any advantage from the following wind. Pare featured in a Loyola passing attack, and Asselin gained yardage for the Itishmen by running back Bradley's kicks. Bishop's staved off the onslaught, however, and the quarter ended without any scoring. The fourth quarter showed a marked improvement in the Cruikshank team. The play jockeyed back and forth, Bateman, Cross and Flintoft doing some fine plunging. Bishop's began an advance in the closing minutes of the game. Cross plunged for a gain of fifteen yards, and Scott followed up by snaring a pass from Bradley for a sizeable gain. By this time Bishop's was on the Loyola thirty-five yard line, but time once again intervened, and the game ended with Loyola 2-0 victor.

### THE McGILL GAME

A rather depleted team journeyed into Montreal on

November 2 to play McGill Frosh. Walters, Flintoft and Magor were missing in the line-up.

We kicked to McGill and were immediately swamped by a series of end runs and passes by the Redmen. Norsworthy led the attack, and without much time lost McGill had approached to within 30 yards of our goal line. Thomson booted a place kick over the bar to score 3 points for McGill. Bishop's kicked off to the Frosh, but the red machine rolled back up the field until Norsworthy hoisted a kick over the goal line to rouge, bringing the score to 4-0 in McGill's favour. The second quarter showed a Bishop's team with all earlier lethargy gone. Starting from their twenty-yard line, Cross completed a pass to Scott and Bradley floated another into the arms of Ian Hay. Scott then scuttled round left end bringing the ball to the McGill 25-yard mark. Cross split the McGill line wide open on the next play, and steamed on to their ten-yard line. Unfortunately he let the ball slip from his grasp, and McGill recovered thereby bringing an end to what looked like a promising drive. There was no more excitement before the whistle blew for half time.

McGill kicked off to Bishop's in the third quarter. Hay went round left end for a gain of fifteen yards, and later Scott added to the gain by hurtling from the McGill thirty-five yard line to within five yards of their goal line. On the next play Ian Hay marched round the end to score standing up. The convert failed. The scoring in this period continued when Doug. Bradley scored a rouge after successive gallops by Cross and Bateman which brought the Bishop's squad to within 30 yards of the McGill goal.

Bishop's continued to forge ahead in the fourth quarter. Bateman made a spectacular run from our fifteen-yard line to centre field. Norsworthy was badly shaken up when he tackled to save what threatened to be a touchdown. Despite Norsworthy's absence, however, the Freshmen completed forwards to Finley, and Thomson advanced the ball further into Bishop's territory on a flashing end run. This drive resulted in a rouge from an attempted place kick by Thomson. This point left the score 6 to 5 for Bishop's as the game drew to a close. With the end so near it was heart rending to see Thomson attempt three place kicks, and finally contrive to boot one uver the bar. This tragedy occurred when there were but twenty seconds of play left between Bishop's and victory. As it ended McGill pulled the roast out of the fire by a score of 8 to 6. Special mention is due to Gordie Cooper for excellent work on the secondary defence.

### MACDONALD AT BISHOP'S

This was the last game of the year. It was fitting then that our team, downcast because of three extremely close

losses, should have had an opportunity of redeeming itself against the Aggies. This they did in superb style by starting with perhaps the most savage attack of the year. On receiving the kick Bishop's made seven straight first downs to finally cross the Macdonald line. Cross featured in this attack as did Flintoft, Hay and Scott. Ultimately Udall romped over the right side of the line to score standing up. The convert was blocked, and the score was 5-0. After the kick-off Bishop's forged ahead again, and carried the ball close to the Macdonald goal line, however, the quarter ended without more scoring. Bishop's maintained their pace in the second quarter when Ian Hay made a touchdown with an end run to the left. This was converted making the score 11-0. Walters entered the game in this quarter and exhibited some superlative kicking which resulted in a rouge for Bishop's.—12-0 for the purple team.

In the second half Bishop's, after receiving the kick-off, failed to make yards and the ball went to Macdonald. Scott intercepted a Macdonald pass and ran from our 35-yard line to a touchdown. This he converted himself making the points 18-0. This was not the end of the scoring in the third quarter by any means for after the kick-off Cross advanced the ball from the 33 to the 40 yard line. Cooper recovered a kick by Walters and Flintoft dashed from their 20 over the line for a touch. This was unconverted, and the score was now 23-0.

In the final quarter Lane fell on a blocked Maedonald kick, and after bucks by Bradley and Walters Flintoft scored his second touch of the game to swell the count to 28-0. After the kick-off which went down to Bishop's 30-yard line. Bradley, Hay and Scott led an attack against Macdonald. The purple team gained two first downs, and finally Bradley made another five points from a forward pass from Walters. This ended the scoring and the final count was 33-0.

It was a triumph for Bishop's to allow Macdonald only one first down throughout the game. It was also a pleasant comedy relief to see Macdonald execute their amazing X, Y, Z play which was faintly reminiscent of Aristophanes "Frogs", and which lost them about twenty yards.

### THE ROAD RACE-

It has become a tradition in the lost three years that the names of G. Smith, N. Schoch, W. Tulk, S. R. Walters and G. Cooper appear as the winning team in the road race. However, because we are slaves to convention we must record that once more the above-mentioned romped away with this gruelling event. The going was relatively easy for these track pounders, and Gordie Cooper was by no means hard put to it in the last lap—in fact he finished over three minutes ahead of the next man to cross the line,

Although there was little dispute about who won the race, the two freshmen teams fought for second place all through. At the finish Van Horn beat Macdougall by not more than half a foot in the most exciting finale in years. The two fastest miles were run by Walters and Lindsay who both travelled the distance in 5 minutes 15 seconds. Among those who did not know the road there were some slight errors in choice of routes which, in the case of Rubec, caused him to run a mile and four hundred yards. Gordon Smith gained the original lead for third year, and from then on their supremacy was never strongly challenged.

The teams were:

1st Year—(1) S. Rabatich, Williamson; (2) H. Russel, Duval; (3) R. Grier, P. Rubec; (4) R. Lindsay, Pyne; (5) B. Van Horn, MacDougall.

2nd Year—Shaughnessy, Mackie, Boyle, Kerwin and Udall. 3rd Year—Smith, Schoch, Tulk, Walters, Cooper.

### BASKET BALL-

Bishop's somewhat neglected major sport is determined this year that there shall be no scoffs from those who play hockey and ski, but that people this year will stand in awe of the mighty aggregation which will take to the gym this winter. The prospects in the Freshman year are highly encouraging to say the least, and both league and inter-year basketball seems destined to become a largely populated sport. Among last year's participants there still remain Merritt Pharo, Soup Blatchford, Ian Hay, Ivor Richards, Ralph Hayden, Tubby Lane. Merritt Bateman is an unknown quantity since at the time of writing he has just recuperated from an operation for appendicitis. The Freshman year promises to turn out a host of hopefuls, but the next issue of the Mitre will be more qualified to judge.

### SOCCER-

C. L. Tomlinson has been kind enough to write the following chronicle of this year's Association football history:

"This year only two teams, Bishop's and Cookshire, remained in the league, so fewer games than usual were played. In the home and home series with Cookshire the first game resulted in a scoreless tie, while Bishop's won the second 1-0. The teams were so evenly matched that neither had succeeded in scoring after sixty minutes of play in the second game. However, Mackie netted a goal at the end of ten minutes of overtime, the College winning the series 1-0.

To wind up the season a game was played against the football squad. Undecided up to the last moment whether they would play or not, a team finally turned out. The football players, most of whom had not played soccer be-

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## Sports

Well, unhappy days are here again, and football has gone the way of all good things. Helmets have been discarded in favour of cold towels, and the clear athletic eye is slightly tinged with red.

The end of the season was officially marked by a tamer edition of that yearly ritual, the Rugby Ban-

quet. At the culmination of this affair (which was noticeable because of its culinary perfection), athletic awards were presented as follows:

Major awards for this year—Linc Magor, Ed. Parker, George Cross, Nick Schoch, Merritt Bateman and Ray Tulk.

Major awards presented to last year's freshmen having successfully completed their first year—Ian Hay and Eddie Udall.

Minor awards won last year, and presented to the recipients on the successful completion of their first year—Ray Tulk and Rud Everett.

Minor awards for this year-Eddie Udall.

The following will have their awards signed for having played the required amount of time this year as well as last: Doug. Bradley, Jim Flintoft, Geoff Scott, Waldo Tulk, Tubby Lane, Gordie Cooper, Sid Walters and Ian Hay.

Next year, if all goes well, Maurice Robinson will receive his major award.

Looking back on this season it has been, on the whole, successful. It is true we did not win the league, but we came very close to doing so. Oh, yes! that sounds like an old story, but considering the fact that each of our three defeats was only by two points, and that we scored 73 points to the 24 scored against us, the old story takes on a different aspect—one of enlightenment rather than excuse.

### THE MAC-DONALD GAME

The team's first game in Montreal opened with a flourish. The Aggies kicked off to Bishop's, and our team, paced by Cross and Plintoft, swept down the field from our 35-yard line to score in six plays. Walters made the touchdown and Scott converted. Bishop's was ap-

parently in earnest, there would be no first half laziness. However, Macdonald came back with a drive. After the kick-off, a fumble by the purple and white team gave Macdonald the ball. Kydd and Eastman made some substantial gains, and Hillrich drove across the Bishop's line for the first Macdonald touch. This was not converted. The score was now 6-5 for Bishop's.

The second quarter, although scoreless, was marked by some good steady football on both sides. Ian Hay made two spectacular runs which threatened to crack the Macdonald defences. Later in the quarter Sid Walters delivered another threat to Macdonald, but somehow the Aggies held together to prevent a score. The most lamentable incident of this period was the injury received by Ed. Parker when his opposing end evaded a clip in a rather shady way. Ed, is still recovering from a cracked vertebrae and a leg injury.

The third quarter was significant for its lack of colour. Walter's kicking was the only highlight. The fourth quarter was brilliant. The purple and white team started from their own twenty-yard line, and pushed steadily up to the Macdonald five-yard mark, with Scott making a large gain around left end. and Flintoft following up with another advance. Bradley hurtled across the line for the second Bishop's touchdown and Scott converted, making the score 12 to 5. But Macdonald had no intention of admitting defeat, and with only a few minutes left to play Eastman and

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This is Hitler to the life!

I shall close with a word from Dr. Freud, exiled and robbed and ransomed at the age of eighty-two, when der

## English Boys In Canada

War has given those Ontario private schools which proudly flaunt their rugby prowess in their adopted name, "The Little Big Four", a chance to try an exciting educational experiment, which so far has worked out very successfully. They are schooling those sent into temporary exile by the hostilities abroad. About two score English boys are sampling this Dominion's training facilities for youthful minds and bodies at Ridley College, St. Catharines; Trinity College School, Port Hope; Upper Canada College, Toronto; St. Andrew's College, Aurora. Here they have been suddenly thrown into the whirl of Canadian school life. Comparatively free from the tradition bound routine of Eton, Rugby or Harrow, the young Englishmen have taken a deep breath, and dived into their new surroundings with a zest for every experience there is at hand.

At T. C. S. eleven young men form the overseas contingent, and at Ridley there are more than twenty. Dr. H. C. Griffith, headmaster of Ridley, and P. A. C. Ketcham, head of T. C. S., both believe that what is now a wartime measure taken by anxious parents, will develop into a general trend that will send more and more English boys to Canada in the future.

"I don't think our refugees are being merely polite when they say that they like to come to school in Canada," said Dr. Griffith. "As they go home to repeat it, the accidental presence here of the boy who would normally be educated abroad may be repeated deliberately. After all," he continued, "the youngster who spends a substantial part of his early life in a new, energetic country like this does enhance his perspective. We think also, of course, that he learns as much here as he would at home." A check of the source of the material of this headmaster's theory uncovered a ready endorsement from half a dozen of the English boys.

"Canadian boys are much more friendly," said 14-year-old John Scott-Paine, son of the marine designer and speed-boat racer. "It is far easier starting at a new school here than at home." "They are a fine lot," said one Canadian at T. C. S., "besides it must be a bit hard for them with their families still abroad and within bombing range," he added with a slight frown. "Although they don't talk

Fuehrer seized Vienna. As the old gentleman is dead now shall do him no harm by quoting him:

"The potential paranoiac is characterized by a mental or physical inflexibility, a definite proneness to rigid and unyielding mental constellations — sentiments, attitudes, ego-identifications, and always goes on with an idea of exalted personal significance."

Why seek further testimony? All signs point to the correctness of my original hypothesis—Paranoia.

JOHN BASSETT, JR.

about it much, I know what must be going on in their minds." There is also this same feeling at Port Hope and the other schools. The easy-going Canadian youth, completely lacking in any class consciousness and having very little reserve, has paused a moment from kicking his rugby ball this autumn and turned to greet his cousin from England with a welcoming smile.

In their studies the English contingent at Port Hope are holding their own, but not taking any prizes as yet. Greatest wonder to them is central heating, hot water taps that really work, and dormitories in which two, three or four sleep, instead of twenty. Rugby too has kept them enthralled for the past two months. Although they love the opportunity of playing soccer instead, most of the boys decided to try the Canadian game. Sixteen-year-old Alan Brown, of Lancashire, could have been speaking for any one of the boys when he sat up, rubbed his head and turned to Dr. Griffith at Ridley, saying in his native dialect, "Ah boomped, 'e boomped, and we all boomped."

But more important than the temporary changes that they will become accustomed to within a term or two, is the interchange of ideas between Canadian and English boys that takes place in their daily school life together. There is deep, though silent, appreciation by the young Canadian for his English counterpart who is going through a trying time without flinching, which is matched with the thankfulness in the heart of the English boy for the warm, friendly welcome that has been accorded him.

Between the boys there is growing up an understanding that is only possible at school. By studying and playing together differences of background are being effaced, and who can say what effect this will have on the future of this country and the Empire, when these boys have grown to manhood, to take a man's place in the community. Here through war has begun a trend which may lead to a mass migration, perhaps both ways, of future generations of school boys. A migration which, who knows, may bring about understanding, appreciation, and deep-rooted friendship whose results will be marked deeply in the relationship between the two countries.

Of humble origin, Rutherford was born in New Zealand where he received his early education, which was completed at Cambridge. He was Professor of Physics at McGill from 1898 to 1907, where some of his most fundamental work was done. From McGill he went to Manchester and for the last eighteen years of his life was Director of the Cavendish Laboratory at Cambridge.

Like Pasteur he lived to see his own ideas dominate his field and to be honoured by his country and by learned societies throughout the world. He was awarded a Nobel prize in 1908 and was created a baron in 1931. Though immensely pleased with these honours they had no effect on his genial nature.

This is a book which will be read by all serious students of science. It can also be recommended for the general reader since Dr. Eve gives a simple and lucid explanation of the technical terms used.

A. L. Kuehner.

### THE OXFORD PAMPHLETS ON WORLD AFFAIRS—

For this timely series the Oxford University Press has enlisted the aid of acknowledged authorities in history, economics, international law and science. These eminent scholars have written for the public short statements on problems which are of immediate importance in the light of the present European situation. They are sober and objective accounts which present the facts and leave the reader to draw his own conclusions. The average length of each of these pamphlets is thirty-two pages.

R. C. K. Ensor has written on Herr Hitler's self-disclosure in "Mein Kampf". In this booklet the author gives an account of the dictator's revelation of policy and the extent to which this policy has been so far carried out, as well as assessing its future possibilities. He describes briefly but completely Herr Hitler's theory prescribed for Greater Germany. The author describes the book as "a general picture of one strong, creative race and a multitude of weak non-creative races who are as wax for the strong race to mould." This is, in truth, the keynote of "Mein Kampf".

"All Right, Mr. Roosevelt" is written in the humorous, inimitable style of its author, Stephen Leacock. The primary aim of this particular pamphlet is to emphasize the value, to all the world as well as to the British Empire, of the continuance in spite of wars abroad, of that international peace and goodwill which exists in and unites all the human hearts of North America. The author stresses the plea that, if it is not the will and destiny of the people of the United States to join us in arms in the defence of our heritage of liberty, the people of Canada will take up their responsibilities of war without complaint, but only content in the knowledge that they are helping those in another country whose burden is far greater.

"The Dual Policy" by Sir Arthur Salter, explains this

policy which has been practised and developed by the British Government since March the fifteenth of this year. Lord Halifax concisely defines it as a policy resting on twin foundations; the resistance to force, and the constructive work of building peace. In this pamphlet the author discusses the way in which this policy differs from the appearement policy which preceded it, the reasons for its success and its possible development.

"The Refugee Question" by John Hope Simpson has to do with this problem which has become increasingly grave in the postwar period, and the methods which have so far been used to deal with it. Sir Simpson urges strongly that immigration be rendered less difficult, for adequate provision of this kind would remove conditions which now compel the refugee to resort to illegal entry. War and racial persecution have combined to drive large numbers of people from the countries where they have lived and worked, and have presented the world with a problem which can no longer be settled by individual charity. We are shown what should be done.

In "The Prospects of Civilization" by Alfred Zimmein, the author points to the necessity in this modern period for applying moral standards to political relations. In tune with the bleak pessimism of the day, Sir Zimmein states that the failure of the League of Nations to solve the political and econome problems left by the war has led to doubts as to the future of civilization itself. "The most baffling feature of the problem," writes the author, "is that, as between ourselves and the present rulers of Germany, we have reached a condition of deadlock, at once political, intellectual, and moral, in which no real exchange of ideas, and therefore no understanding, is at present possible."

"Colonies and Raw Materials" by H. D. Henderson, discusses the value of colonial possessions to a metropolitan country, especially as sources of raw materials. Sir Henderson concludes that the industrial peoples of Europe, whether they possess colonies or not, have no reason in a peaceful world to apprehend any difficulty in obtaining tropical raw materials, or indeed raw materials of any kind. He deals systematically and thoroughly with many questions with which British public opinion is at present seriously perplexed.

"The British Empire" by H. V. Hodson deals clearly and concisely with the position of the Crown in Empire relations, the question of Dominion neutrality in time of war, problems of migration and race as well as the status of the different members of the British Empire or Commonwealth of Nations. It also gives the reader a clear insight into the common defence problems, as well as stating the two principles in this connection, namely, the command of the sea, and the obligation of all the member-nations concerned to maintain a series of naval bases and fortified

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# "I Don't Want the Job"

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### The Mind of Herr Hitler

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Though unlike St. Paul in every other respect, our here is at least "all things to all men"; fickle as an April day. In the hey day of summer he curses Stalin and all his works with a floridity of vituperation such as he reserves mainly for the Jew; and yet, in the sere and falling leaf, his better nature asserts itself, and the deadly foe finds himself embraced as "bosom friend". He signs "pacts" for from ten to twenty-five years duration, and tears them up in as many days. His only real friend Ernst Rochm (unless Rudolf Hess may be so described) was murdered, it is reported, in his bathrobe in the dead of night by the good right hand of der Fuehrer himself. This exploit will be known in history as "The Purge". Possibly Rudolf Hess survives because he so doctored the original version of "Mein Kampf" as to render it fit for publication: another putsch associate, Von Schleicher, was not so lucky as Hess; the purge did not pass him by—nor yet his daughter.

A nod to the wise sufficed, and thenceforth even the leader's closest confederates and comrades in crime thought it safer to set the assassin up as a symbol—almost as a god—cold and aloof, olympian, any familiarity with whom might prove as deadly as a heart-to-heart communion with a rattlesnake.

Freely admitting that 'an analysis of this man's mental make-up is rendered especially difficult on account of the elusiveness, not to say "slipperiness' of the patient under observation, I am prepared to offer the opinion that he is a "paranoiae", of a pernicious type. Or else he may be suffering from a racial taint commonly known as "furor teutonicus", though I personally favour the former alternative.

Flow to approach our "subject" is a problem within a problem. Perhaps the safest method is to consult certain well-known authorities on abnormal psychology, and to see how their conclusions fit in with our hypothesis. In this way (but, I admit, in no other) we shall be able to form a dispassionate judgment.

An American authority, Dr. Bridges, says: "the term 'paranoia' may be applied to a chronic progressive psychosis which occurs mostly in adult life, and developes on the basis of certain character anomalies, viz., concert and suspicion. It takes the form of false interpretation of facts, and finds hidden and portentous meanings in the most trivial occurrences". This partly explains Hitler's hysterical wails over the devilish treatment of poor unfortunate Germans in Czechoslovakia, Poland, or what not?

Let us see what Prof. Henri Claude has to tell us: "A common characteristic in all forms of paranoia is a strong delusional trend, combined with exaggeration of ego-cen-

tricity." The delusional trend is manifested in Hitler's being able to see nothing but evil in Israel. The author of "Mein Kampf" sees in every Jew a coward, a traitor, a many-adjectived verminous parasite, and conveys the impression that no Jew could ever have achieved the Iron Cross in the last war save by appropriating it, ghoul like, from the dead hady of some German here!

What could be more delusional than this? When we speak of ego-centricity in der Fuehrer, it is to laugh! Hitler is the "Father Divine" of Nazidom, who, from his Berchtesgaden Heaven issues portentous orders affecting the lives of millions, and makes world-shattering decisions—after duly consulting his oracles. An American writer suggests that the proximity of Mars to this unfortunate earth really determined the march on Poland this summer. Perhaps so

To return to M. Claude

"Paranoic Psychoses are marked by frequent ideas of grandeur, and logical development, and sound systematization in line with mental tendencies." Here is Hitler to a Swastika! Comment were needless! No one can deny the cel-like adroitness with which Germany's master adjusts himself to the ever-shifting scenes of the political kaleidoscope that we call Europe. Moreover, paranoia partly explains der Fuehrer's clearly pathological divagations from the truth. For on this point Claude observes: "The delusional changes and stories are incoherent and frequently absurd—the reasoning poor."

Once more let resort to M. Claude's book for light of

"The delusional activity may not fully manifest itself for many years, permitting social adaptation to continue. The delusional formation is coherent, only slowly expanding; the memory is good, the intellectual activity intense, the emotional reactions are lively." All these characteristics apply to Hitler. Our proofs are certainly piling up. Therefore, with profoundest regrets I must insist that, quite irrespective of the success or failure of this man's schemes, even though his name may be blazoned as greatest among leaders of men, the fact remains that eighty millions of supposedly sane and civilized people have, in this our day and generation, set up as an idol—a substitute for God—a monomaniae, an hysberic, a paranoiae!

But it may be suggested that Monsieur Claude, being obviously a Frenchman, cannot be trusted in the premises.

Let us, then, consult another authority possessing a decidedly teutonic patronymic—Herr Bleuler. This psychologist states that a paranoiac is almost always "litigious".

duty for a week-a hundred patients. Patient in 12 dangerously ill-Swede. Cut his throat with a razor

Tuesday, January 23 - Wednesday, 24.—The Padre told us about Pegrim, a religious maniac in Special Ward. This old man asked him, "Doesn't it say, Sir, that we shall be

Wednesday, February 28 - March 1-Have had a lot of part of the Lord's Prayer: "Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will

Wednesday, May 30. — German prisoners working on

in the ward, sleeves rolled up, the colonel came in. Very and thrown away a small silver birch planted by the medibetter asked his opinion of the garden. Could not make

Saturday, June 9.—Five of the Sisters are ordered for "early embarkation" to Egypt and three for Salonica.

Wednesday, June 13 .- The Duke of Connaught, Prince Marquis of Anglescy, etc., are coming to inspect the hoshowever, they visited only a few wards and we weren't among the lucky ones.

Friday, July 27. - Matron away for a few days and "Hill 60", the assistant Matron, has been making herself more unpopular than ever. Last night some of the Sisters made a pyramid of tin pails and water cans, in the box room near her room. About midnight Sister R. got up and knocked them over. Everyone in the dormitory woke up, pretending they feared an air raid. "Hill 60" went from cubicle to cubicle in her night attire, holding a candle, reassuring us. Today she is telling everyone how alarmed we all were and of her coolness. Everyone is laughing at her.

Thursday, September 27.—Marion, my dear friend, has asked for leave today as Capt. P. is coming from Blackpool to see her. When she came in awakened me to tell me that they had become engaged. I am glad, because they are both so nice,

Friday, October 5.-Went to Matron tonight to ask to be transferred to a hospital where they get convoys. Cannot arrange it so we are resigning and will reapply at Devonshire House. We, Marion and I, finish on November 1.

Thursday, November 1. - Finished packing. Went to

Regent Palace Hotel with others. Had tea. Everyone giving them good advice on "How to Procure a Marriage

Saturday, November 17.—Amid a great deal of secrecy known destination to board an unnamed ship, Ended up

Monday, November 19.—Started out in earnest while we were at lunch. We are escorted by three cruisers and about nine destroyers. Lifebelts have been issued to all with orders to wear them continually.

Tuesday, November 20.—At about 3 a.m. was awakboats!" Visions of having been torpedoed or mined rose before us. All the deck lights were on and the destroyers' searchlights were turned on us. It was very cold, as I didn't have many clothes on. After about ten minutes we were told we could get back to bed. Heard the next day that we had run down and cut asunder a small boat. Neither boat was showing lights and the little boat was so badly hit that it went down at once. Twenty-nine of the crew were drowned and the thirtieth was picked up by a destroyer but died within a few days.

Thursday, November 22.—Have been told that we are going to land at St. John instead of Halifax. Saw about fourteen merchantmen today all in a line. Quite an im-

Saturday, December 1.-Docked at St. John. Had to

Sunday, December 2.—Only one diner on train. Had to wait in line for hours before breakfast which I did not get until eleven. Did not feel well, but revived somewhat when the familiar names, Megantic, Cookshire, Lennoxville, etc., appeared. Countryside brilliant with frost and snow -very beautiful. The whole family met me at the station,

## Extract From My Memory

DECEMBER, 1939

One windy day in July, I trudged down the long wharf at Bagotville with a weighty knapsack of blankets and provisions on my back. It was this picturesque French-Canamy canoe and start for Tadoussac. Ha! Ha! Bay-roughly river, about eight miles long and three miles wide, insinuated between the rocky cliffs of the north and the steep

By the time I had started it was late in the afternoon, but fore landing to make my camp among the stunted, twisted firs of the south shore. After lighting a fire, I made a and then, assured of a dry bed went to cook my supper. Never shall I forget the coffee. It was made of river water as there was no spring or stream near the camp, and after five minutes boiling, it had turned into a frightful concentrated brine solution. A little salt improves the flavour of

During the night it poured, and the next day it was damp and lowering. The cliffs on the opposite shore frowned from under the shaggy grey clouds, but after breakfast was finished the weather seemed brighter, and by the time I had clouds had risen; only tiny wisps of mist still hung to the cliffs like wet blankets to spoil the beauty of the rugged a cloudless blue sky, and the sun shone clear and bright on

In the middle of the morning I came to Descente des steep, rough sides of a ravine that slopes between the barren cliffs of the shoreline down to a small beach. A large wharf -the only link of communication these settlements have with the outside world—runs out into the water, and near slabs of wood. Landing on the sawdust-strewn beach I followed a scarcely visible path up to the first habitation, a small, snug, little house, newly built. A young French by elaborate pantomime I obtained some milk and water for BRUCE KERWIN

Since there were only twenty-four hours left before I place to light a fire and cook my dinner. Loafing, surrounded by these gigantic relics of a past avalanche, and the absolute hush that is typical of the North Country, time seemed to halt, and the inane hurry of the world that seemed so distant and so unreal at the moment, was like a

ontory until I reached their culmination of beauty and three escarpments that give Trinity its name with the inon the first terrace. However, as I was unprotected from the flies, the idea was completely impracticable and I was my tiny boat like the massive walls of a Gothic cathedral.

I was drenched by a sudden thunder shower. When the clouds had cleared away, I ate a damp cold snack in my cance without stopping to build a fire on the wet shore. Tadoussac that evening and I began to look for a landing ledge of rock on which to "ensconce" myself, and slept

a very substantial breakfast. The effect of the ebb tide soon became apparent and at each successive headland the current increased. A mist was also creeping in from the St. Lawrence but with a bit of luck I finally entered the old historical bay of Tadoussac, and in five minutes I was

RUTH ECHENBERG



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Chronicle of my Great Adventure—as told to Ruth Echenberg.

How It All Happened-

At college in 1914-15, we formed a group to study First Aid. In the autumn of '15, while teaching, I joined the local St. Johns Ambulance Association, and qualified for the Brigade. In the spring of '16 a call came for sixty girls from Canada to go overseas, and three were chosen

Aboard the S. S. Grampian-

Tuesday, September 19.— Second day out. Woke up

Thursday, September 21.—At four o'clock lifebelt parade and inspection on the port side of the shelter deck. I

Sunday, September 24.—Woke up a little late—caught a glimpse of the Irish coast. Very picturesque. A great many trawlers, schooners and fishing smacks in our vicinity. The trawlers are searching for submarines and have long narrow guns mounted fore and aft with a gunner standing to attention by each one. The "Olympic", with the afternoon, with her escort of torpedo-boat destroyers. Great cheering and waving—at present we are anchored in the Mersey outside the quays. Just now powerful searchlights are sweeping the sky for Zeppelins, and they are watching especially over the troopship.

Tuesday, September 26.-In the morning the sixty of us marched "in column of twos" to Devonshire House.

Thursday, September 28 .- At night saw "Chu Chin Chow" at His Majesty's. Very good.

Sunday, October 1.-Marion and I ordered to report at the new Military Hospital, Carrock Chase, Rugely, North Staffordshire, Landed at Rugely and drove seven miles to the hospital. We saw pretty country at first, and then nothing but heather and pine woods. A few miles on, the hospital - very desolute-looking. Our quarters are very seantily furnished - bed, washstand, tin basin and jug,

Built on a moor-prevailing colour, black. The only green is in clumps of bracken and occasional larches and

The hospital—six wards, the administration block and six more wards. These are connected at the back by a corridor a thousand feet long. On the other side of the corridor are the patients' dining hall and kitchen, and the operating theatre. In back of the hospital are the quartermaster's and pack stores, the canteens and orderlies' quarters. the sterilizing and fumigating plant, and the mortuary. Our quarters are across the road from the hospital, in a

All the buildings are of sheet asbestos preparation in two layers, supported on brick pillars, without any true foundation and with soft-wood floors-all one storey high. The wards contain fifty beds each. Our hospital does not receive convoys, but cares for the sick from two huge

Sunday, October 22.—Some of the officers from camp came to tea and we had a very jolly time. Sister Frewin overheard Mr. Fisette (All doctors below rank of captain were called mister), a Canadian, saying he hadn't noticed there was a bunch of wild Indians on the train. She asked if there were many Indians in Canada, and received a detailed account of their appearance and fierceness.

Friday, November 3. — The Sisters have moved into their own sitting room and have taken some of our furniture. They will be able to discuss us to their heart's content-and we them!

Saturday, November 4.—Tyndale, a lad of nineteen and a veteran, dying of pneumonia and appendicitis. Likes me

Sunday, November 5.— General L— of Rugely Camp visited the ward this morning. The old fellow was very funny. Had another visit in the ward from a padre who hands out cards with, "Keep Smiling" on them.

Monday, November 13. — Tyndale died tonight. Was with him. Helped Sister fix him up-this was my first attempt at undertaking—poor little Yorkshireman!

Friday, December 8.- Milborne's operation today. He wept all the time he was coming out of the anaesthetic because I wasn't as good as Nurse Hill, who had come all the way from Australia to look after him, and because Sister Watt does not like him.

Saturday, December 9. - Three operations from our ward-great excitement when they were all coming around. One man sounded just like a fog horn. King wept and repeated monotonously, "God bless Sister." Finally, looking at me, he said, "Where's Nurse? God bless Nurse!"

Monday, January 8 - Tuesday, 9- Have been on night

WILLIAM MOUNSEY

the shoulders. He stepped out into the wet night, turned up his collar and shivered as the damp air struck his fevered face. Stumbling forward, he bowed his head submissively to the stinging whip of the wild wind. Streamlets of rain water gushed over the road, disturbed for only a moment as his battered shoes interrupted their steady course. On and on he walked, his hands sunk deeply in pockets that seemed to have no bottom.

And then suddenly he was aware of people hurrying past, of bright lights and the screams of shifting traffic and a gramophone blaring from a dingy-looking restaurant. He raised his eyes from the beaten sidewalks to a lighted marquee that beekoned him mockingly through the rain. For a moment, he thought he saw his own name written in those lights, but it was like the sight of water to a thirsted desert-traveller—a mirage. He trudged on desperately and suddenly he did see his name in lights on Broadway in a blaze of glory. He visualized himself playing "Hamlet", "Romeo" and even "Abraham Lincoln". He saw himself behind the footlights in his world of drama, he heard the

bursting applause of a packed audience as the final curtain rang down, an applause that rose and beat again his eardrums like the surging of a great wave.

The peanut-vendor on the corner stood beating his hands together and peering through the rain as if looking for a likely customer. He spied one coming up the street who looked hungry, a tall thin man in a worn overcoat, with the rain dripping from his bowed head. He seemed unaware of where he was going—he appeared in a daze. A look of horror passed over the peanut-vendor's face as he saw the man step dreamily off the curb. He shouted—it was too late. A long, shiny car shot out from the side street, cutting down the desolate figure. A local policeman took command of the gathering crowd that was more curious than sympathetic. He knelt over the crumpled heap, and bent his ear to catch the fading words of the dying man. After a moment he straightened himself and shook his head perplexedly. It didn't make sense, but he thought he had heard the words: "No imagination. Can't lose myself. No imagination."

### Moon Phantasy

You almost persuade me to be a moon-worshipper. For as you step across the cloudless sky
With your night-born satellites,
I seem to grasp the image of eternity,
Peace undimined by the tears of centuries,
And love unknown.

And from a bowl of stars you pour
The wine of beauty on the bills,
Inebriating man with ecstasy and pain:
The ecstasy of music and white-falling waters,
And pain because he cannot take the star-bowl in his hands
And pour a cold libation to his deity.

I see you star-throned in the midnight sky.

Shall I offer a moon-sacrifice for beauty and for peace,

And burn incense in a pagan rite?

Shall I call man from his timeless sleep

To come and worship at your silver shrine?

Ah no!

-Leon Adams.

## My Professors

other condiment. In this care it flavours the man rather than the course Courses have interesting points which must

humour. The professor must supply the humour out of himself. As the interesting sidelights make the course pala-

table, so humour makes the professor palatable.

A professor should not have one brand of humour—he should have many. Even wit, if applied without variation, becomes tiresome. I do not mean that he should change his style every day. Rather, he should be very versatile and sprinkle his wit where it will take root best under the ex-

I have met a few professors who have measured up to my ideals. One of the few was the headmaster of a prep school. I was in his Latin class for a year and enjoyed every lecture. Incidentally, that was one of the few years that I passed in Latin. Another was a mathmatics professor who had the endearing habits of rolling his own cigarettes and driving a model T Ford most of the time—even though he had a new Pontiac in the garage. One very interesting man was a Jewish army sergeant, Professor of Military Science and Tactics. His hobby was ballistics, and he was an expert crap shooter. Then there was a cross-eyed English professor who had a weakness for side-cars. His great accomplishment was that of being married for five years before anybody in the school found out about it. Another character was an army officer whose greatest ambition in life

Interesting men all, and men of whose friendship one could be proud. They were gentlemen and scholars and also very human. They did not dish out their knowledge, they left one to absorb it; and when the time was ripe for examinations, it was surprising how much knowledge one had gained.

As I have said, these are my ideas, and I realize that they do not come up to the present-day standards. The world of today is moving swiftly, and I have little desire to go along with it. The slower life is easier, and I believe that it accomplishes just as much. From here I could go on to write of the idyllic life of the country where the pace is set by the deliberate, unhurried step of nature, but perhaps you would think that I had lost sight of my professor. You would not think so, though, if you could see him after hours working over his sweetpeas or leaning on a vine-covered stone fence speculating on the beauty of a freshly plowed field as his pipe sends smoke signals into the crisp evening air.

I demand little of my professors. They should know quite a bit more about the subject than I; but they should display that knowledge only when I ask for it. My ideal is a Mr. Chips, mellow with the tradition of the institution, and as tich in the gentle philosophy of life as a golden-brown meerschaum pipe.

The modern, high-production, efficiency-expert teacher may suit some people; but, to me, the man who stands before the class spouting facts like a gargoyle spouting rain on an April day—without even a fraction of the gargoyle's humour—that man is a bore. I like the professor who in a lecture dwells only on two things. He should bring to my attention the important facts of the course. I can then stress those facts in my study and connect them by reading the less-important writing matter. The professor should also bring out the interesting sidelights with which he has become acquainted through his many years of study. These wdelights may be very unimportant to the course, but to me they are most important in that they keep alive my interest. They are the condiments on the food of knowledge, adding little in bulk, vitamins, or calories, but all important in their task of sharpening the appetite. I am not a hungry man, and only when the dish is made desirable by some interesting tit-bit do I feel a hankering after knowledge.

There are too many teachers in this world of study and too few professors and scholars—we draw the same distinction between a politician and a statesman. It has been said that the best way to learn a subject is to teach it. While I realize that men who will some day become scholars must have their practising ground, I do not like to feel that I am a specimen in a laboratory. Practise, yes, but not on me.

I enjoy professors who are a bit untidy in their dress and who have amusing idiosyncrasies. I like those who would make good fishing or duck hunting companions; those who have a wrinkled, leathery look and smell of good pipe to-bacco. Whether I ever went duck hunting with them or not would make little difference. It is the feeling that they would make good companions that interests me.

It is not a teacher that I want—it is a man with whom I can talk about trout flies and deer rifles and not feel that his major interest in life is History or English or Greek. I know that many of my ideas on education are wrong by modern standards, and that quite probably I am lazy; but, nevertheless, these are my ideas. Maybe I am not demanding little of my professors, perhaps, I am demanding much; but, actually, I only want them to be human.

So far I have said little about humour. Humour is an-

ERNESTINE ROY

audience enjoyed it thoroughly. William Van did not appear on the stage in person, but gave the "mysterious voice" the right tone of mystery.

The third play was of a very different character. The action of "The Valiant" takes place in the office of a prison warden, during the moments just preceding an execution for murder, and the emotional tension is high throughout—so much so, in fact, that on the Monday evening, as many of the audience noticed. "time stood still"! The scene between the condemned man and his young sister, her feeling that he must be the brother she has not seen for ten years, and his determination not to let her know his identity, required a high level of acting ability. In these parts Wilder Penfield and Kathleen Hall gave undoubtedly the best performances of the evening. The contrast between the hard, defiant attitude of the convict, mingled with traces of a more human

### Idle Tears

I suppose everybody has some favourite spot in the world, some place that he considers particularly his own, more his possibly than anyone else's, though his claim to sole proprietorship may be quite unreasonable. Brooke, we know, was in love with Grantchester; Leacock with Mariposa. Even so am I in love with Shropshire.

I am not a Salopian by birth. By birth I hail from Lancashire, from the "black pudding" town of Bury. Nor am I one of those people who, not proud of their native heath, quickly adopt another district as home. I like Lancashire; the faces of the hands as they plod their noisy and happy way to the mill are the best in England, and a Christmas pantomime at Prince's theatre in Manchester is something to be remembered long after more serious things have been forgotten. But force of circumstance led me to spend many years in Church Stretton, and now Stretton, with Ludlow and Much Wenlock, form a trilogy of names that, to my ear at least, are as dear as any sounds it has ever heard or is ever likely to hear.

I remember Ragleth. It is a hill which, with the Long Mynd on the other side, shelters all the little villages of the Stretton valley from the outside world. From that hill you can see for miles, from the church steeples of Shrewsbury to the hills around Craven Arms. Nothing in that valley is other than perfect. There is the "Feathers" in Ludlow, the finest hostlery in the world, where a tankard of the Wem brew after a walk over the hills tastes like the nectar it is. There is the lovely old church there where, if you see it when the evening light is falling on the west wall you will notice a simple stone: 'Hic Jacet A. E. H.' Underneath it is a broken jam jar and a few dead flowers. There is the

feeling, and the simplicity and diffidence of the girl overcome by the emotion of the occasion, was shown in a way which won universal approval from the audience. William Mounsey and Hugh Mortimer (although requiring the prompter's kindly aid somewhat too freely) took the roles of the warden and chaplain respectively (and really looked their parts). The minor roles of prison attendants were taken by Allan Magee and Steve Rabatich. The director, Hector Belton, is to be congratulated on his achievement.

As usual, activities behind the scenes were in capable hands, with Mr. Speid and Merritt Pharo lending their customary efficient aid. The level of the 1939 one-act plays in no way fell below that of previous years, and in some respects exceeded it, so that the major play of next spring should certainly not be lacking an adequate cast.

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old sexton, too, who is not quite sure just where Mr. Housman lies but doubtless can find him if the light holds. Men of Ludlow are jealous for the "Shropshire Lad", and inquiries from "foreigners" are skirted. There is the smell of the hay in the fields by the castle. There is the memory of Ludlow Fair, Comus.

I remember Much Wenlock. It nestles on the other side of the Edge, blissfully ignorant of the existence of other towns. Its Abbey still, they say, resounds to the tramping of the good monks who used to walk its cloisters many years ago.

And there is the Edge itself. From its top one can see fields laid out like coloured handkerchiefs; the hamlets and farmsteads lie scattered in glorious lack of symmetry; a puff of smoke, and a tiny train makes its unhurried way towards Dorington and the market town of Shrewsbury.

And — dearest of all — I remember Stretton. Nothing ever disturbs the serenity of Church Stretton. She sprawls on either side of the valley, deploring the By-pass that is shortly to pass through her midst. At her borders lie the little villages of Little Stretton and All Stretton. All about her is a tranquility and beauty that is nostalgic when once tasted. I remember, as a child, gathering great armfuls of bluebells on her hills; in the spring, primroses; in the autumn, foxgloves. I remember watching an old gardener there one autumn burning leaves, and noticing how the smoke went straight up into the sky. It was a very still day. I heard a church bell ring. It was August 14, 1914.

Such were my thoughts as the Antonia steamed hard up the St. Lawrence on September 3 this year. I was filled with a wistful regret, but I was withal thankful.

## Escape From Shadows

Another night had closed in—black and wet and chilly. The first leaves of autumn had begun to fall, and made slippery patches on the gleaming pavements. The rain was fine and cold and disagreeable, and there was no joy in the air—only the lonely bleakness of an impenetrable dark. The trees, like great gaunt spectres, raised naked arms to the skies, and swayed drunkenly in the wind as if performing some savage war-dance. All was gloom except for the distant glow of Manhattan's lights, shimmering mysteriously through the gathering mist. By the side of the road was a little stand, which bore in white letters the announcement: "Quick Lunches Served at All Hours." A light shone through the large open window, making a great yellow square on the pavement outside. A car shot past, shattering for a moment the perfection of the square of golden light, and with only a faint singing of the wet tires, was lost once more in the blackness of the night.

Inside the little stand a man moved restlessly back and forth in the narrow space like a caged beast seeking freedom—freedom from some hidden pain that seared his soul, that made his eyes into two black pits and his emaciated hands twitch nervously in his pockets. He had incredibly white skin that looked almost satiny in the lamplight, and black hair that lay long and unkempt behind his ears and on his neck. The sole feature that redeemed him from ugliness was a fine straight nose, that seemed just the right size for his face.

He shivered a little in the damp air, and sank onto a stool in the corner, cradling his head heavily in his hands, as if the only strength in his whole body lay in his long slender fingers. A million thoughts flashed through his mind, crowding in upon each other like an unruly mob pushing and jostling with aimless restlessness. Gradually his mental vision cleared, and once again he saw himself a youth—Harry March, the lad who spent his time dreaming that some day he would become a great actor, with his name in lights and in the hearts of his public. This wild desire to impersonate grew and flourished, and became an unconquerable obsession as he matured. It filled his heart, and the fires of ambition burned within him. He saw his family eking out a meagre existence touring with a C-grade vaudeville troupe, and his soul cried out in bitterness at the memory of the rough life—the heartbreak and disappointments that followed the ancient caravan which was their home.

It was at the age of eighteen that he decided to leave it all and to seek his fortune elsewhere. He was so sure he

would succeed, failure seemed impossible to the youth whose hopes and faith flamed so high. That day he left his boyhood behind him, and for the first time he tasted the responsibilities of the man—responsibilities that meant earning his daily bread in a vast city that was too busy in its self-centred bustle to notice a lonesome boy who had come to offer himself to the thing he loved best—to the world of drama. From then on he had haunted every casting office in the city from morning till night, but it was always the same indifferent answer; "Sorry, son, nothing today." Often he couldn't get further than the door. A few times he had been allowed to try for some minor part, and he had read it in clear, even tones, his heart filled with confidence. But they had shaken their heads, and Harry had left as if he were standing before judges who one by one had donned the black can of condemnation. He had no imagination

At first he hadn't blamed them, for after all, why should they place their confidence and fortunes in an untried boy who had no one to convince them of his virtues. He had taken it all very philosophically and had been rewarded with minor parts here and there that had provided for his meagre wants—two meals a day, now and then a package of cigarettes, or a hamburger that seemed to fill the emptiness in his soul as well as in his stomach.

All at once with one blinding blow he found himself unable even to get small parts—no one seemed to want him, no one seemed even to smell the smoke of his burning ambitions; it was always the same: "No imagination—can't seem to lose yourself in your roles—sorry son."

And then suddenly, he didn't care any more. He had given four long years of devotion in an effort to reach the top, and he had merely glimpsed it in the distance—a shining, unattainable Mecca. He had failed his family, and knowing that, he sank into the depths of despair. The old man of the hamburger stand, at the instigation of his pitying wife, offered Harry the management of his summer lunch car in the suburbs. Harry had seized the chance with rising spirits that dropped again as he thought of what winter might bring—cold, desolation, hunger, all over again.

He raised his head suddenly, and passed his hand over haunted eyes as if to wipe out the maddening thoughts that flooded his weary brain, leaving him helpless, drowning his sanity. Automatically he rose from his corner, shut and bolted all the windows, and went to his tiny room to get an old overcoat that was more than a little worn between

feeling, though, that they were making the best of a very

In Berlin I felt much more the tenseness and suspicion that tend to kill any originality of expression of freedom of thought. It was with a kind of horror that I witnessed the fear and extreme circumspection with which people there said anything that might be construed as unsympathetic to the Nazi party. I had dinner one evening with a well-to-do broker, who several times stopped in the middle of a sentence and abruptly changed the subject although there was no one but ourselves in the room. After dinner, he suggested that we take our coffee and cigars out on the lawn so that we could talk more freely. Out there, although his nervousness was still apparent, he told me his opinion of the existing state of affairs. He said that in spite of the considerable amount of dissatisfaction everywhere in Germany and particularly in Berlin, there was little or no chance of concerted insurrection, since spies were everywhere and a man could not even be sure that one he considered his best friend was not in the pay of the government and liable to use his confidings against him. As I was leaving, that evening, he gave me a book and asked me to give it to a Jewish refugee friend of his, when I returned to Boston. He made no inscription in it and would not write out the man's name or address, but made me learn them by heart.

It was with immense relief that I left Berlin and it soul-destroying oppressions. Thereafter, I spent as much time as possible in the smaller town and rural districts where the people were freer to express themselves and in dulged in the small though significant breach of law, the use of the traditional: "Griss Gott."

In my travels through this unsettled country, I had almost no trouble with the authorities, since I tried in every way to be a model tourist. As a rule they do not molest visitors but they do keep a watchful eye on them. An acquaintance of mine was given a message by a friend in Stuttgart to take back to a Jew in the States. This message was written on a number of slips of paper and distributed about his person. A few days later, when the boat in which he was taking the beautiful trip down the Rhine halted at a small town, he was taken off and driven away in a car. He did not know for certain whether the officials had anything against him but he knew that those papers, if found on him, would be fatal evidence against him. Hence, during the drive from the boat to the local headquarters he produced a cigarette and proceeded to light it. With the match he used, he drew out one of the slips of paper, and

when the match happened to go out, he threw both through the window. In the same way he rid himself of the remaining slips and two hours later, he was placed with many apologies on the next boat down the Rhine. It is little incidents like this that give one an insight into the efficiency and thoroughness of the secret police. A surveillance like this which cuts down on any freedom of thought and action is bound to be hated by those on whom it is imposed.

There was another form of restriction in connection with which I noticed much dissatisfaction. Ninety-nine percent of the people were confined to their country by the laws which forbade anyone taking more than ten marks across the border with him, no matter to what currency he had had it changed. It was not that they had any fault to find with Germany, but the knowledge that they could not leave the country, made them feel terribly shut in, and here we have the seed of more dissatisfaction. There was a movement afoot, sponsored by the government, publicizing and popularizing the beauty spots and resorts of Germany. "Know the Fatherland thoroughly before you die. The wonders of this great and beautiful country are easily accessible to each and every one of you, if you take advantage of the wonderful highways that . . . etc." Signs of this sort were seen everywhere, but they did little to alleviate the sense of confinement felt by all thinking Germans. Small wonder that there was a widespread chafing against a political bit which imposed such drastic restrictions on the travel-loving Germans.

Now perhaps you have an idea of the state of the German mind before the war was declared. There was obviously unrest beneath the placid surface. Is it not possible that the German, used as he has become through the ages to autocratic dominance, and attached though he may be to the sentimental mythology which makes the Fatherland so dear to him, enlightened as he now is, and at the same time taking himself and his country so seriously, will become convinced that Hitler is not the man that modern Germany needs? The Germans are developing a desire for freedom that is to a certain extent foreign to their nature. Just how great this desire is and whether it is what they really need time alone will tell.

Are they going to be satisfied with crying "Grüss Gott!" while the great political machine grinds them body and soul into the ground, killing their stubborn good-nature, or will their dissatisfaction take some other and more drastic form? Can the Germans free themselves from this oppressive yoke?

—The world waits.

## The One-Act Plays

The production of the three one-act plays is always somewhat of an event in the college year. Recruited, as they largely are, from among the students of the first year, the casts provide the opportunity for the executive of the Dramatic Society to pick out those who show promise of acting ability, and to pass judgment on their chances of obtaining parts in the major play.

On two evenings, those of November 6 and 7, the Little Theatre displayed its sign above audiences that were nearly in the capacity class, which must have gladdened the heart of the treasurer. As in previous years, a varied programme was provided, from the point of view of transition from grave to gay, from the near-sublime to the intentionally ridiculous. A comedy, a farce, and a grim little tragedy were shown in succession.

"The Florist's Shop," produced under the direction of



Olga Reid, was a comedy of character; the commercial motif was mingled with the romantic, business interwoven with sentiment, and an engagement that had been hanging fire was brought to a happy conclusion by "outside interference", plus a purchase of orchids. Leon Adams, as Mr. Slovsky, who in spite of his maxim that "business is business", realizes that sentiment can also play its part in stimulating receipts, gave an excellent portrayal of the proprietor of the shop, which was evidently appreciated by the audience. The part of his bookkeeper, who believes in allowing for the human element along with the financial, even if she loses her job through it, was in the capable hands of Betty Donaghy. Lord Shaughnessy, as a quasihard-boiled office boy, proved an efficient foil to the romantic bookkeeper. The roles of the diffident lovers were given to Mary Ward and Frank Stewart, both of whom stressed the reluctance which must surely be there after an engage-

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ment which has endured for fifteen long years. As with all young actors, there were times when audibility might have been better, a fault which can only be conquered by practice.



The locale of the second item "The Trysting Place" (directed by June Graham) was the lounge of a summer hotel, the sort of lounge well provided with cosy corners and chairs of which the mere sight suggested repose — an ideal location for a "date"—so ideal, indeed, that it was hardly surprising to find the stage, before the play ended, congested with would-be lovers, concealed and unconcealed. The opening scene between the diffident lovesick youth (Richard Grier) and the sophisticated widow (Ernestine Roy) was excellently done. His mother (Gwendolen Weary)



and sister (Jean Sutherland) each have their own particular reason (portrayed respectively by William Power and George Rothney) for wishing the lounge free from third parties. Such a theme, helped out by Booth Tarkington's clever dialogue, could hardly help "going across" and the

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### Heil Hitler !

That is the greeting that is ringing through Germany today. Four or five years ago, while the Germans were still breathlessly watching their Fuehrer guide the Fatherland towards the promised economic security, prosperity, and a place in the sun, they felt themselves justified in relinquishit has begun to dawn on them that their trust has been betrayed, and now it is only in official circles and in the big cities that the latter greeting is used.

I had the opportunity of visiting Germany last summer, the country, most of whom have been there for some time, I secured an inside picture that few tourists are lucky enough to obtain, and I am going to try to pass on some

We Canadians and Americans find the German much less of an enigma than do most other races. We make friends with him much sooner than would a Frenchman, who, at present especially, fancies that a good German is a dead one, and who is going to do his level best, in keeping with this theory, to make all Germans good ones. We have none of the difficulty in getting along with him that the Italian has, nor have we the Englishman's traditional anti-Teutonic

The German differs from us in three principal ways. himself to democracy, or to any form of government other than autocracy. It was because Germany was having so much difficulty in coping with the somewhat democratic form of government that sprang up after the war that the people welcomed someone as forceful as Adolf Hitler. He was the type of monarch that they had always had. Their leaders, even as far back as tribal times, had been the same kind of domineering, relentless, ambitious autocrats, in whose eyes might was right. Secondly, the teutonic mind possesses little sense of humour as we understand it. The German takes things pretty seriously, himself especially. But this does not mean that he never enjoys himself. The German Gemütlichkeit, or good natured, sanguine, easygoing disposition is a characteristic that strikes all visitors, The sentimentality that drips from every German mind is a third distinguishing trait. This sentimentality is different from the French or Italian, in that it is much more ponderous and lugubrious, well expressed by the music of Wagcontact with members of the race, of the essential ingredients making up the German mind, and I want to show how

Arriving in Germany, I was first impressed by the prosperous appearance of countryside and town. There were no slums and no tenement houses, and most of the farms were well-kept and thriving. Everywhere there was the bustle of industry, and the streets were filled with cheery healthy folk. The military element was evident everywhere. Fifty percent of the men on the street were in uniform and a good many armoured cars, troop cars, and motorcycle detachments were to be seen threading through city traffic. On the surface, it was a scene of cheerful, though war-like activity. Another thing that impressed me in the cities, was the amount of saluting that went on. Not only did the soldiers salute when they passed each other, but all acquaintances meeting on the street would prefix their exchange of pleasantries with a quick raise of the hand and a slurred "Heil Hitler!" The same occurred in the shops and business offices. I took no exception to this; in fact I indulged in the practice myself, heartily enjoying it as a kind of lark. However, it struck me as too much of a good thing when the members of a family that I was staying with in Berlin used these words instead of "Good Night" and "Good Morning". I could not tell whether this intrusion of Nazism into their private life struck them as natural, or whether a little resentment was not simmering beneath the surface. Gradually I was to learn.

Through the kindness of friends I was fortunate enough to get to know several families quite intimately, and in this way I learned much that I never should have otherwise. In Munich I got to be on very friendly terms with a retired German professor and his menage. I was amazed and incredulous when he told me that the government had asked him to retire and had pensioned him because his university lectures were unmistakedly subversive. From what I had read in the newspapers, I supposed that all who continued in flagrant defiance of the government were put to death or clapped into concentration camps. But there the doctor sat, secure in his own home and confining the expression of his anti-Nazi sentiments to the appreciative ears of his kin and closest friends. All this may have been true, but it struck me as possible that there was more to the story than was told. In that city the feeling was not as tense as in Berlin and Hamburg, and the family talked and joked together about their restrictions and the impositions of the government as free of care as an American group criticising Roosevelt-as long as there was no one present whom they could not implicitly trust. One had constantly the game. Try that What about the good-looking freshman you could go for? How about that professor who is going to flunk you this Christmas? Try it! You will be surprised at the results.

Are you a good conversationalist? Do you sometimes go for minutes without saying something? Are you shy? Do you sometimes go for days without saying anything? If you cannot think of original things to say, memorize some jokes. Here's one to start you off. Say to him: "There was a little boy fishing in a pool. A policeman came along and said, 'Don't fish here', and the little boy said, 'I don't know'." That's sure to start something.

### "The Quality That Inspires Lave"

Are you strong? Are you brilliantly clever? Can you look after yourself? Are you sensible? You think you are? Stop right now! Nothing is more dangerous to the successful romance thans these qualities. You must appeal to HIS chivalry. Be charming, appealing, gentle, timid, cuddlesome, lovable, dainty, exquisite and altogether too tenderly bewitching. (For further information inquire at Pride's office for my little 25-cent booklet.) Have you ever tried baby-talk? More than once? Try it next time you wish to make a definite impression. Nothing will arouse his feelings about you like baby-talk. Throw yourself on the care and protection of every man you meet. If you play golf, lose your ball. HE will remember every minute he spent looking for your ball. Then you say: "Oh dear. Here it is in my pocket after all. I am so helpless!" That will get HIM if anything will. At lectures, look around as if you hadn't the faintest idea in your head. Watch the rest of the girls and see how well they all do it. At a rugby or a hockey game, look as if you don't know what the score is.

Here are some exercises to help you. First stand before your mirror in the privacy of your own room. The right mental attitude is most important. Shut your eyes and flutter your hands helplessly and say to yourself three times slowly, "I am a tender woman at the mercy of you big strong men." (Be sure your door is locked, because this sort of thing can be hard to explain.) Now, in this mental attitude open your eyes and look in the mirror. What is that look on your face? Now that is the look to feed the troops! Practise it on the milkman in the morning. He will think differently of you from now on.

Another good exercise is to practise a dainty timidity. You may use this with success at the appearance of a mouse, big dog, little dog, bug, spider, Algae, suspicious-looking man or divinity student. Never neglect an opportunity of this kind. If necessary, go out of your way to find a mouse.

Another good exercise is to practise being demure. Stand before your mirror and put on such an air, with your lips struggling to suppress a smile of mischief and your eyes dancing in an otherwise grave face. Then try it on him, This will hold his attention; from now on he will look at you in a new way. These little exercises I have thrown out to you for what you may think them worth. If you practise them assiduously, you will never be the same again.

"Undermining A Man's Reserve"

This can be done. Look for something in him that you can appreciate, and appreciate it for all you are worth. No case is hopeless; if he has neither beauty nor brains, look for something else. Perhaps he has a uniform and is an officer in the O.T.C. Bring out the contrast continually between your femininity and his masculinity. Finally, and this is important, show him that you never, never betray a confidence.

It is a good idea to accustom your family to your new and pleasant character. It is embarrassing to have your little brother duck when you merely reach out to smooth his locks.

By now, if you have followed carefully step by step, you will be worshipped, adored and loved. Ah! L'amour. Toujours l'amour. He now loves you. Will he marry you? Can you wangle it?

"Removing the Obstacles"

The two classes of objections a man might have to marrying are: 1. His objections to marrying anyone; and 2. His objections to marrying you. Break him down methodically. Go for him tooth and lipstick. Remember this is a hard world on us weak and frail women. If his reasons are financial tell him that you heard your mother say that two could live cheaper than one. (You will have to be subtle about this if he is taking Maths. honours.) If his objections are to marrying you, remember that under the spell of the moon or stars some romantic evening, or under the stress of emotions caused by a good movie you have selected, or some other occasion when cold reason and good common sense are subdued, he is likely to blurt out his whole secret love for you. And then again he might not. What to do! What to do!

Some men need helping. Do you remember Lowell's

"He stood a spell on one foot fust,
Then stood a spell on t'other,
An' on which one he felt the wust,
He couldn't ha' told ye nuther."

There is only one thing to do with such a man. Help him along. Maybe he is just flurried at the immensity of the risk he is taking. What did the girl in this poem do?

'Says he 'I'd better call agin';
Says she 'Think likely, Mister';
Thet last word pricked him like a pin
An' . . . Wal, he up an' kist her."

This, I think, we might label the provocative method. Try it. It could work for you. It is hard, sometimes to secure

action. Remember that it is hard to be sentimental in matter-of-fact surroundings. Avoid these things if you can: (1) A third person (fatal); (2) Bright lights. The lights must be subdued in order to give an atmosphere of peace and quiet which will tend to subdue the nervous warnings of his judgment. Also, soft lights cast a wistful halo around your face, a halo which might not be there otherwise.

As a last resort, some night pretend you are so sad. Mutter to yourself: "A girl has no chance in this life. This is the end. Poison! Poison! That's all there is left for me." That should open his eyes a bit. If he says nothing to all this, give up the chase then and there. He may say: "Never mind, little girl, if your future is dreary you can share mine." If he says that you have him. Jump quickly! Nail him down. The victory is won! You have succeeded. It was a long struggle, but technique was the deciding factor. Now aren't you glad you read this far?

When the lucky man has finally captured you, pleas drop me a line, care of the Mitre, for I would just love to see both of you!

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## The Rugby Banquet

An address by Rev. Dr. F. G. Vial, read by Professor E Scott, to the students of this university on the occasion o the Rugby Banquet, November 14, 1939.

Mr. Chairman, members of the University Rugby Club distinguished visitors, and elements of the so-called student body:

Greetings:

It is a long time since I have had the pleasure of attending one of these banquets prepared by a skilful chef and dispensed by an equally skilful and almost legendary steward, Jim Dewhurst. However, the invitation to address the banquetters as the representative of the Faculties of Divinity and Arts, has come to hand, and I have yielded to the temptation to express myself before you once again.

all, because I am entirely inadequate to interpret the attitude and outlook of such an august body: secondly, if I were competent to do so, I should still be confronted with the task of finding a common denominator for gentlemen of such diverse views and sympathies. While some of us are quite enthusiastic football fans, there is a minority which is callously indifferent to the failures and successes of the Rugby team. I say this with bated breath, or rather with faltering pen. There are people who do not think that the fate of the University depends upon the winning of a championship. And these are decent and God-fearing men, who in other ways are worthy of the highest respect. It is just the way they are made—that is all. We are agreed—we fanatics—that they must be permitted to live, even to state their opinions freely. Do we not all stand for toleration and for keeping this seat of learning "safe for democracy"? For instance, I know—instinctively I know—that there is at least one Professor who believes that Robert Browning is the greatest poet since Elizabethan times; on

the other hand there are several who never open The Ring and the Book, and yet chortle with glee over the Bad Ballads, and insist on quoting extracts to any victims who cross their path. I strongly suspect that Professor Elton Scott is an anti-Solifidian, and am solidly convinced that the Dean of Divinity is an anti-Unitarian. I doubt if any of the Arts' men realize these tendencies and I fear that even some of the Divinity men are not alive to them. I make these allegations to indicate into what devious paths good and holy men may stray, not with the intention of causing trouble.

But what are we to expect when we find one part of these sacred buildings reeking with Theology, another part with the malodours, in plain English, the stinks of the Department of Science?

The foregoing statements illustrate the variety of interests, pre-occupations and pursuits of a number of men associated together for a common purpose. That purpose is the search for truth, and the impartation of it, when it has been revealed or discovered. Another feature which is quite characteristic of the two Faculties is their unswerving loyalty to this University, and their desire to help the students under their eare.

Here certainly is our common denominator, or rather our underlying unity.

It may be that the kind proposer of this toast paid compliments to the faculties. If so, we thank you for them and realize that their sincerity is not impaired by the frank criticism of our eccentricities, our foibles, and our limitations, which inevitably goes on at other times and in other connections. Finally, we congratulate your excellent coach, Mr. Cruickshank, and the Football Team on its very fine showing on the playing fields this season. The co-operative effort was entirely admirable. May all our endeavours throughout the year be equally satisfactory.

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quarter-back, Ribbentrop will retire to the tail-back position, while Joe Goebbels is going right outside. They go into the huddle. Quarter Stalin calmly surveys the scene. He winks at Chamberlain who puts up his umbrella. Smart fellow that Joe. They say that since his old class-mate Trotsky left, he has been at the head of the class. He is majoring in autocratic socialism, I believe. It's a spinner else, it seems. Not even Hitler who is waving to his supis limping a bit, that foot of his seems to be bothering him again. Churchill is eyeing Goering's massive form with a It seems to have grown somewhat from the last time we saw it here in the European Bowl, but it is a little less frisky, which, considering its present size, is probably a at Hitler's threatening gestures. Stalin, who knows where the ball is if anyone does for he had it last, is talking to a penknife, but the other doesn't seem to be so impressed.

It looks as if the game will be called off unless someone can produce a ball. The crowd is losing interest and the boys and girls from Ism State seem to have finished the peanuts for they have started on the bag.

The referee is coming this way. He is going to say something to the boys from Pan-American Pacific. I'll just turn the mike over his way so that you can hear him: "My friends... has anyone here got a football?" No one is moving. Aha! there is Mr. Borah who came all the way from Idaho, U.S.A., to see the game, although they say that he hates it. I'll turn the mike over his way so that you

can hear him: "Sure we have a football. We just bought one today. But you can't play with it." He is booed down by quite a few voices. Hear them? And someone tosses out a ball. It looks a little short and fat for the game we are used to, but Chamberlain seems to like it. Hitler, however, appears to be objecting... (Say John Q., run down and see what Adolph is so sore about.) Just a minute, ladies' and gentlemen, we have just sent down to see what the matter is. It's still a fine day, although it's getting rather dark. The sun is just about to do down behind the lads from Tokio Collegiate who have turned out en masse to see how the boys in the university league do it. Our runner has just come back and he tells me that Hitler objects to the ball because none of his lads will be able to hang onto it. However, F.D.R. seemed to think that if Allied Democratic could hold onto it there was no reason in the world why Ism State couldn't, unless of course, their hands were too small. Apparently, rather than admit this, Hitler agreed to play on. And so the game will continue.

Ism State still has the ball with one down and fifteen to go. Adolph Hitler looks a little ruffled but he is out there talking with the best of them. He seems to be reshuffling the team again, and this time he will go to snap. No, he's calling the signals so I guess he's quarterback. Wrong again, he is over the ball. He snaps it out. But there is no one there to receive it. He has sent the whole team to the bench. He runs back, catches his own snap, Ricks the ball, and is running down under it. What a man! He's the whole team!

It's so dark I can't see the ball. But someone is coming off the field. It looks like Joe Stalin. It is Joe. He has something under his arm and something else under his sweater. But he was one of Ism State's best men. I wonder if he could be putting something over on poor old Ad—. "Deutschland über alles. Heil Hitler. Dieses ist Berlin. Gute Nacht."

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In a recent debate it was decided that brains are of more value to a woman than beauty; however, even though you aren't batting .500 in either, don't worry. Technique's the thing these days. In the same way that the C.O.T.C. has its "How to Qualify", so we, the wives of tomorrow, must have our manual of qualifications, procedures, and general conclusions. Are you popular with men? When you enter a room do you notice a restless stir? When you enter a room do they have to set up traffic signals? No? If not, fair damsel, read on. This is only the beginning.

"The Kind of Girl a Man Wants"

What one of us has not heard this perennial question asked by all women: "What does George see in that creature!" Now banish all preconceived notions! You need not be beautiful to be successful in love. One of the outof the whole countenance, a sincere and dangerous smile. Do you possess such a smile? You may depend upon it, when HE looks to you for assurance of your continued sweetness, your eyes must smile back, though ever so subtly. Make of your face "a countenance in which did meet sweet records, promises sweet." But remember that emphasis is not on your outward appearances solely. Try to display a joyousness and sweetness of disposition that approaches ise of future development. There is nothing more charming than a woman who flits about from room to room like a little bird, clearing away gloom as if by her mere presence. Be " a bird transmuted into a gay young maiden." Be fresh and joyous as a lark. Oh yes! That is "très necessaire."

Are you healthy? You must be; it must show in every pore. But somehow, some way, you must succeed at the same time in giving an impression of tenderness and frailty, even though you are the star defence on the basketball or the hockey team. And do not be discouraged if you are not "little" or "childlike". Men will often see qualities in you that no one would ever suspect; nay, more qualities than even you, yourself, have suspected. Finally, you must con-

DOROTHY



tinually think of yourself as an angel, for that is how he will imagine you. And remember that love is blind.

"Developing your latent power"

It is very easy to attain health. How to do it? Does your blood tingle as it courses through your veins? Does every step you take spring with vitality? Do your eyes sparkle and your voice vibrate? Does nature cry out as you pass "Here is my best, my loveliest handiwork"? No? Well you had better become healthy right now. Thousands have done it. You, too, can. Your younger brother trains for the rugby team, so why don't you train for ROMANCE? Try it. You will be amazed how soon your friends will remark: "What a superb concentration of gracefulness and vitality she is!" or "Whatever bas happened to Mary!"

"The Real Charm and How To Acquire It"

Have you mental health? Have you joined the Oxford Group? Do not think bitter or unpleasant thoughts. What if exams are here! Crowd them out. Think of holy things. It will show, you know, my dear, in your face, just as it does in the faces of the Divines. That will be the secret of your success. Try to practise a charming manner in this way. Practise on your family and the iceman till they fairly dote on you. Take father, for example. Seat yourself on the arm of his chair at breakfast; playfully snatch the Gazette out of his hands; ruffle up his hair; pinch his cheek and ask him if he doesn't love you. Watch his reactions. (You watch, and tell us.) When you have your family well under the control of your charm you can now stalk bigger

tails. No one suggests that this has ever been known to work. Real superstition is even more apparent when salt is

goddess Fortune. When they should believe in something, not the course that people adopt in a chaotic world, it is not even the course which individuals adopt in a critical her magicians to the public advice of her ministers. King Charles I would rather secretly consult the Sortes Vigilianae

embrace good habits of mind. We ought to wish to think Voltaire's sarcastic picture of Spinoza whispering to the We ought to be reasonable in our faith, we ought to be

### The God of War

Wars are made by men who seek to line

## Allied Democratic vs. Ism State

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(With acknowledgements to E. E. B.)

bering up before the game gets under way. It's a fine day

Well, there goes the referee's warning whistle. I have and I shall be a few moments getting it back . . . (Say, him) . . . Well, ladies and gentlemen, it seems that the referee is some gentleman by the name of F.D.R. I shall Benny Moose, popularly known as "Little Caesar", although got so worked up that he jumped into the fray just in time to help Allied Democratic carry the ball over to win the be keeping him busy enough by winding the chain around

The two teams are now gathering around the referee kick-off this time, I believe, and it looks as if they were

State is giving his boys a pep-talk. They wave back at him Ism State is taking the kick-off! Something seems to have gone wrong there. Either that or Allied Democratic took the wind instead of the kick-off, but didn't know which way it was blowing.

The ball goes back to little Sikorski who takes it behind Ivan the Terrible, flying wing, who made a nice sandwich job of him. Boy, what a wallop! It looks like time out.

it to big Poilus who hits hard at centre. He was met by a

seems to have been having words with one of their press-

and quarter-back Ribbentrop calls the play. It looks like a in and nails the ball-carrier with his umbrella before the

Hitler looks pretty sore and I think there is going to be

PROF. A. W. PRESTON

### **EDITORIAL**

Is mankind destined to annihilation? This confusion, this cataclysm that confronts us all does it spell the end of our civilization as we know it today? The culture which we have built up for countless centuries of creative endeavour in every phase of our existence—social, spiritual, economic, artistic, political, intellectual—is it doomed to vanish into oblivion because of the hate and fear, rapacity and greed, anarchy and disorder rampant in the world? Can we hope that out of this disorder there will arise a harmony from which a new civilization will emerge, a civilization that will not betray us as this one has? And it has betrayed us. For the last half dozen years we have seen nothing but recurring wars motivated by economic exigency and moral rot, until today an empire and two great nations of the world battle to the bitter finish—a war which also threatens to embroil the rest of the earth. So we ask the question, "Are we destined to destruction, or will there arise from this chaos a new social order?"

Materially we have reached the highest peak in man's history. In all phases of man's life in this material world of ours we have never before reached such a state of perfection. For us today, life is far richer, far more satisfying cestors. Manufacture and trade bring to us individually a form of life that was undreamed of fifty years ago. Transportation and communication brings the world to our back countless thousands and prolonged our life by years. We have so progressed in social welfare that we can now visualize with clarity a system of complete domestic well-being. Each phase of our physical life has been developed to an extent never before witnessed by man. Yet it is apparent that with all our improvement man cannot best use that which he produces—his produce has become an awkward problem. We find that the technical advancement of which we are so proud, instead of being employed for the pleasure destruction. We find medical research striving towards the apathy and insensibility of an outworn and outmoded social system. With one hand, scientific research strives to better man's physical and material life while with the other it strives with every means within its power to obliterate the very life it seeks to improve. We realize that throughout all man's endeavours something fundamental is wrong, something is lacking; we have not reached our maturity.

Yes, we have not reached our maturity. We are not consciously integrated as a human race. We are conscious of family loyalty, of loyalty to a particular locality, of re-

ligious loyalty, and finally of national loyalty. But are we, society as a whole? We should be. So, mankind has not reached maturity because he has not yet recognized a basis for unity. Some would unite the world by force - we observe them today. Others would unite people by compromising difficulties—problems are solved temporarily as economic and political pressure shifts. Neither method is a true foundation for international peace. And again we, as a world, are not mature because we are not practical idealists. Politicians recognize that people hold high standards for those whom they elect to office—a politician should have those characteristics admired by the people and make them, at least on the surface, a part of his character. So public leaders, of necessity, clothe their acts in idealistic maxims. What leader has not appealed to his followers' idealism as a on the other hand, tries to see a problem objectively, as it really is, and tries not to be swayed emotionally in solving it; he seeks a solution merely on the basis of facts. This is practical idealism. Thought in terms of humanity, a basis day! We would, therefore, require each individual as a unit in civilization to realize these points and their leaders will eventually represent their thought and act in accordance with it. The leaders, then a nation, finally the world. If it could be so, our problems would disappear.

Emmanuel Kant reasoned that the next step after the establishment of the democratic nation was the World State, democratically organized. There are not a few statesmen in the world who still believe in the League of Nations and, recognizing its mistakes, would seek to correct them. By education within the last few years internationallyminded men have tried to accustom people's minds to the observation of events from the point of view of the world as a whole, and gradually to bring about the realization of a world community. Across Europe today we see an eruption in society. In it our intelligence shows signs of throwing off its ancient burdens; our increase in insight is producing a natural revision of our values. Until we have those qualities of purpose and self-sacrifice, we shall never advance much further. We believe that we are gradually developing these characteristics. It is a happy note of hope with which to end. These problems which confront us are acute, and only out of an understanding of their causes and of their solution shall we be able to say in future at this time of the year - A Merry Christmas to you all and the happiest of New Years.

## Superstition

In considering superstition it is necessary to draw a distinction between the state of being superstitious and superstitions as things in themselves.

Superstition is a habit of mind. Any attempt to establish its nature requires that it be related to two other habits of mind, reason and faith. Reason may be defined as a habit of mind which criticizes before it accepts, proves before it pronounces and argues before it acts. Reason requires a method and employs a logical machine. Faith, on the other hand, may be defined as a habit of mind which accepts before it criticizes, pronounces before it proves and acts before it argues. Superstition bears some superficial resemblance to faith in so far as it ignores the laws of reason, but then the resemblance ceases and serves only to deceive the superstitious and bring them to confusion.

Now faith and reason are necessary to one another, their spheres may be different but their procedures are complementary. Faith in order to be good faith must be reasonable; reason in order to be good reason must be faithful. Superstition cannot be faith because it is not faithful to reason, it equally cannot be reason because it is not reasonable in its faith. In other words, it cannot be faith because it is capricious, it cannot be reason because it follows no laws of cause and effect and obeys no rules of induction or syllogism.

that mountain, superstition tries to move a mountain but fails because it cannot concentrate on that one mountain. We speak of doing things in good faith and we mean trusting in what we are doing or in those who told us to do it. We speak of keeping bad faith and we mean being untrustworthy in what we are doing and to those who told us to do it. Superstition is this kind of bad faith, a faith that is capricious and goes so far and no further. When we act in good faith we wholeheartedly believe that a thing will work, when we act in bad faith we half-heartedly hope that it may work. Such half-hearted hope is the only kind of faith which can be said to inform superstition. It is too often mistaken for the real thing.

In doing good, we have faith in what we do, we make up our minds to do good. In doing bad we have little faith in what we do, we do not actually make up our minds to do bad but we do make up our minds not to make up our minds to do good. When we are in this latter condition we cannot be trusted, no one can have faith in us, our action is deliberately capricious in so far as caprice can be deliberate. In the same way when we are superstitious we do not make up our minds to believe but we do make up our minds

not to make up our minds not to believe. When we are in this condition we are in a state of confusion. We are like the society woman who runs from one psychiatrist to the next, we are like the stockbroker who relies on one numerologist after another, we are like the lovesick person who seeks the advice of a palmist.

The whole thing may be summed up in the fact that faith and reason are good habits of the mind necessary and complementary to one another. Each has its proper sphere, the one in the calm of religion and the other in the calm of research. Superstition is a bad habit of the mind, necessary for nothing and complementary to nothing. It has no proper sphere of its own save the stormy sea of hysteria on the sluggish pool of ignorance.

Even if superstition is a bad habit, all superstitions are not habitually bad. Many of them are perpetrated almost without meaning, for the meaning of perpetrating them has lost its reason.

Of all the articles in common use, salt is one of the commonest. Superstitions about salt will serve as well as any others to illustrate what is meant. People who spill salt at the table mechanically throw some over their left shoulders, they are vaguely aware that this may avert quarrels. Now this is too mechanical an action to be regarded as an act of faith, it is too unreasonable an action to be regarded as an act of reason. It is an action without reaction or, at best, an action with only supposed reaction, for no one knows whether such action has ever averted a quarrel. In its present form then, this superstition is harmless and inane, it has lost its real meaning and become perfunctory.

In days gone-bye superstitions connected with salt were less superstitious and more in the nature of acts of faith or acts of reason. In a Roman household salt was sacred to the Lares and Penates, if a guest spilt any his Roman host would sprinkle his own bosom with it as an act of courtesy and an act of sharing in the risk. The custom had religious sanction and was almost an act of faith. In the Middle Ages salt was so hard to obtain and so expensive that only the most important guests would receive it. From this fact arose the superstition about sitting below the salt. The sterilizing effect of salt was early recognized and we hear that "Abimelech beat down the city and sowed it with salt." This superstition of salt in warfare, like the placing of guests, who were unimportant, at the foot of the table was quite a reasonable act based on an acknowledged case of cause and effect.

Rather less reasonable and more superstitious is the suggestion that birds may be caught if salt be placed on their

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