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"Experiment" Plans Winter Trips Abroad

At the suggestion of, and in conjunction with Bennington College, The Experiment In International Living is planning to send groups of students to France and Mexico this winter at a period which coincides with Bennington's Winter Project Period. These Experiment groups, recommended to Bennington students in the college catalogue (page 24), will leave the United States shortly after Christmas to spend about eight weeks in the country chosen, and return just before the start of the second semester.

Having as its purpose the building up in various countries of a group of people interested in promoting mutual understanding and respect between their own and other countries, The Experiment, since 1932, has sent some 4,000 students to live in twenty-four different countries.

Outstanding in this unique program is the "home stay", during which time the Experimenter spends at least half of his visit living individually with a family, in the "heart of the nation". One of the concrete benefits of this experience is increased language facility. Tests conducted in 1950 by Colgate University proved an Experiment summer the equivalent of six credit hours of college language study.

The remainder of the Experimenter's time is spent in traveling to some other section of the country of interest to the U. S. students and their French or Mexican counterparts who, it is hoped, will accompany them on this trip.

Travel, The Experiment Way, is inexpensive and fairly rugged. Third class trains are used in France and second class buses in Mexico. Membership fees are \$405 for Mexico (groups meet and disband at Laredo, Texas), and \$725 for France (including ship passage).

Winter groups will be composed of an experienced leader who acts as a friend and guide, and seven Experimenters for French groups, five for Mexican. Membership requirements: a sincere interest in international understanding, participation in extra-curricular or civic activities, good academic standing, ability to get along with others, good health, and a minimum of two years recent and successful study of French or Spanish.

Experiment groups are open to all students from colleges having vacation periods during this time. Bard, Stanford, Keuka and Antioch have expressed interest in them. Depending on vacation dates and desire of applicants, Bennington students may be placed with students from other colleges or travel as individual units. Applications should be in by November 15, accompanied by the \$15 Registration Fee.

A typical French winter program was described by Miss Louise Hill, of the Experiment staff in Putney, at a recent meeting at Bennington College. Miss Hill, leader of a group to France this summer, explained that the five-week stay in families will be spent in Paris. Here the Experimenter will participate in the daily activities of his Parisian family, while making frequent visits to museums and places of architectural interest. After this, the group will travel to another part of France. This trip might

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First Lit Seminar Scheduled Oct. 29

The first literature seminar will be held in Franklin House on Monday evening, October 29th at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Belitt, Mr. and Mrs. Golfing, Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Nemerov will read selections from their own prose and poetry.

The community is cordially invited to attend these readings.

Mr. Soule Discusses Economics Of New Deal

The American Values Program lecture on November 5th, "Economics of the New Deal", is the first one of the series that started last year to be given by a member of the Bennington College faculty. Mr. Soule is a graduate of Yale University, and before coming to Bennington in 1949, was an editor of the New Republic for twenty-two years. He is a Director of the National Bureau of Economic Research, one of the founders and a past president of the National Planning Association, author of many books and articles, the Editor for the Twentieth Century Fund, and Professor of Economics at the Columbia University Summer Sessions.

Faculty Unhelpful In Fire Drill

The fire drill of Friday, October 12, was carried out with a minimum of confusion considering the obstacles that were thrust in our path. Although this was the first drill of the term, it took the truck crew only 12 minutes to raise the ladders and prepare the hose for action.

Unfortunately, one of our greatest obstacles was the complete disregard of fire regulations which occurred among the faculty. The truck crew was badly hampered by the lack of 5 of its members who were detained because some members of the faculty would not dismiss their classes.

It should be well known to the faculty as well as to the students that a fire in this college, once out of control, would be disastrous not only to the building on fire but would terminate the existence of the college as well.

An incomplete truck staff during a fire, due to the teachers' refusal to abide by regulations, could easily mean the difference between control and disaster. Certainly any inconvenience to the faculty is far-outweighed when one considers the necessity of the college's protection.

At a time when we are reviewing our community responsibility such apathy and complete disregard for rules is certainly to all of our discredit and indicative of the attitude we are trying to get rid of.

The Chief.

"Green Fields" To Be Shown Saturday Night

"Green Fields", the movie which is to be shown here this coming Saturday night, October 27th, is the story of a Jewish community in the Russia of the Tsars. It is a gay and simple comedy starring Michael Goldstein and Helen Beverly.

Can We Fill Our Quota?

by Trina Boyden

Perhaps there are many among the group here at Bennington that would respond to a sudden emotional appeal of a crisis in the town nearby where many injured people needed blood transfusions. But it is only a small number of the group that responds to an abstract appeal that the Red Cross is always making for blood.

At this moment there is an appeal being made to the group on this campus to donate blood to the Red Cross which will be used for local emergencies, and the war casualties in Korea. The system is set up. All you have to do is send home for your parents' consent if you are under twenty-one, and sign up on the list that is now in Commons.

This next Wednesday, October 31, is the date. And transportation will be provided to and from North Bennington.

N. S. A. Elects New Officers

Madison, Wisconsin—At the final plenary session of the congress, William T. Dentzer of Rochester, Pennsylvania, was elected president.

Dentzer, 22, a graduate of Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, succeeds Allard K. Lowenstein who has been president of NSA during the past year. Dentzer attended the congress as Ohio regional chairman. He had intended to enter the Woodrow Wilson School of International Relations at Princeton University this fall.

The 500 delegates also elected Sylvia Bacon, a junior at Vassar College, vice president of student affairs; Rollo O'Hare, a senior at Wayne University Law School, vice president of educational affairs; Avera Ingram, a graduate of Georgia Tech and Harvard University, vice president of international affairs; and John Haley, a senior at Emory University, to the newly-created post of vice president of student government.

Miss Bacon, liberal arts major, will be responsible for all cultural programs, the student Bill of Rights, and such projects as investigation of intercollegiate athletics, and honor systems.

A delegate from Wayne, O'Hare, 25, is a member of the Student Council of that school. He has attended every congress of NSA since the constitutional convention in 1946.

O'Hare will assume responsibility for the NSA programs of legislative activity; investigation of violations of academic freedom; human relations projects; and all relations with the general academic community, in such fields as acceleration, faculty rating, curricular reform, accreditation procedure and grading systems.

Ingram will be in charge of the international program which includes the Students Mutual Assistance Program, the foreign seminar program, and the student exchange program.

The newly created post of vice president of student governments will coordinate the activities of the student body presidents. Haley, a pre-medical student, is president of his student government and was chosen chairman of the Student Body Presidents' Conference held prior to the congress.

Thomas Callahan was re-hired by the National Executive Committee to direct the travel program for another year. Callahan

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Bennington Night Dec. 10 Will Be Held At Hunter

Dance Group Gives Annual Program

The Bennington College Dance Group will give its annual performance at the Y.M.H.A. in New York City on December 8.

Dance works which might be used in the performance are still in the rehearsal stage. Early in November the faculty and dance students will select, by voting, the dance compositions which are the best.

Most of the people who are choreographing the dances are those students in Senior Division who have been working in composition all along. Students show their dance works in the weekly dance workshop where advice and criticism is given by the members of the faculty.

Performance Here Nov. 30 and Dec. 1

The Bennington Dance Group will first perform their selections at the college November 30 and December 1, and then the group will go to New York. Admission will be charged at the New York performance.

Until a few years ago, Bennington College and Sarah Lawrence Colleges gave joint performances each year at the Y.M.H.A. Now it is strictly a Bennington enterprise.

Alumnae Plan Enrollment Drive

The Board of Directors of the Bennington Alumnae Association was held on September 21 at the college. The Board met Friday evening, and Saturday morning with Rebecca Stickney. Saturday evening was devoted to a discussion with student representatives of the R.P.C., Judicial committee, and Executive council. At the final Board meeting the directors recommended that each region prepare itself for active participation in the college's enrollment program. Also it was suggested that each region establish a publicity committee and each region support the fund raising drives more vigorously and each region try to coordinate its attitudes with the national organization. The administration hopes to have certain alumnae visit schools, headmistresses, and principals and interview prospective students.

In the public relations discussion, Mr. Stanbrough emphasized that public relation's job, can be helped tremendously by alumnae initiative and participation. The functions of the proposed publicity committee would be to send Mr. Stanbrough possible newspaper, radio, and T V angles. Press releases sent out by the college to papers would also be sent to the publicity committee of the region so that publication pressure could emanate from two courses.

The Alumnae have become very active this year in the fund raising drive and have netted \$15,000 which goes to scholarships. Since the coming year is the twentieth anniversary of the college the association hopes to raise \$20,000. In addition to just donating money the donor may now specify in her pledge to what specific field she would like her money to be given. In this way she has an active part in the school program.

Bennington Night will be held at the Hunter College Playhouse on December 10 at nine o'clock. Invited to Bennington Night are the principals and headmistresses of the New York preparatory and high schools. Also invited are all the students interested in coming to Bennington from the New York area.

Bennington Night will attempt to show what is being done in the performing arts at Bennington. We hope to bring Bennington to New York. The program includes Dance, Music, and Drama selections, which will be done by the students. In the lobby of the playhouse there will be exhibits of student paintings, sculptures, architecture, and ceramics. Photographs will be displayed of some of the activities at Bennington. There will be a speech from President Brockway and a guest speaker.

No admission will be charged. It is hoped that as many of the Bennington girls as possible will attend. They would like the students to mingle in the lobby before and after the performance and during the intermission to answer any of the questions that might be asked. It still is not too late to hand in names of people interested in going to the performance.

Political Rally At RPI Tonight

An intercollegiate political rally will be given by the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at 8 p. m. at their gym tonight. Lt. Governor Frank C. Moore of New York will speak on "The Price of Good Government."

Students of numerous surrounding schools have been invited: Russell Sage, Union, Skidmore, Albany Medical, Williams, etc.

The school Glee Club will open the program, followed by the Lt. Governor's speech which will be followed by round and square dancing. The doors open at 7:30 p. m. and will not be reopened after the start of the evening.

The sponsors are the R.P.I. Town Hall, a school organization and The League of Women Voters of Rensselaer County.

All Bennington students, who are interested, are requested to sign their names on the poster located in Commons. Admission is free. Please state if additional car space is available.

Community Chest Budget

The year's budget for Community Chest has been completed. This term the budget includes \$750.00 to cover the Employee's Christmas Fund, and the Town Community Chest. The budget for the Spring Term is \$780.00 to bring another foreign student to Bennington.

There will only be two drives to raise this money. This next Monday, October 29th, the first one will begin. The money raised from the Faculty and staff will be used only for the Town Community Chest.

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On Insuring a Long Existence to Republics

There is nothing more true than that all the things of this world have a limit to their existence; but those only run the entire course ordained for them by Heaven that do not allow their body to become disorganized, but keep it unchanged in the manner ordained, or if they change it, so do it that it shall be for their advantage, and not to their injury. And as I speak here of mixed bodies, such as republics or religious sects, I say that those changes are beneficial that bring them back to their original principles. And those are the best-constituted bodies, and have the longest existence, which possess the intrinsic means of frequently renewing themselves, or such as obtain this renovation in consequence of some extrinsic accidents. And it is a truth clearer than light that, without such renovation, these bodies cannot continue to exist; and the means of renewing them is to bring them back to their original principles. For, as all religious republics and monarchies must have within themselves some goodness, by means of which they obtain their first growth and reputation, and as in the process of time this goodness becomes corrupted, it will of necessity destroy the body unless something intervenes to bring it back to its normal condition. Thus, the doctors of medicine say, in speaking of the human body, that "every day some ill humors gather which must be cured".

N. M.

Letters to the Editor

In our House Meeting of Wednesday, October 10, it was suggested by some of the members of Welling House that one of the many factors of bad publicity on campus is your newspaper.

We feel that the duty of the Weekly is to keep the members of the community correctly informed on campus activities. Although clever wit has its place in a newspaper, it must be remembered that many alumnae and parents receive copies. Perhaps the students are slightly amused by your "joke columns", but the outside readers do not understand them and are frankly shocked by them.

Your dull satire on the summer readings of the literature students was neither necessary nor amusing and gave a poor impression to the reader. You did not succeed in your excellent opportunity to aid in Freshman Orientation. Your first issue contained an editorial that was too trite and insufficient. The other items consisted of social impressions of Williams College and where to go on a date. Though perhaps humorous to upper-classmen, it failed to promote respect due the community among not only Bennington freshmen, but Williams students as well.

We suggest that you take stock of your opportunities and aims. Try to produce a newspaper, which not only gives fact—true facts—but retains a dignity of its own.

by Francis Golfing

We would like to write this letter as an answer to some of the attitudes and suggestions expressed at the last Community meeting.

We were disturbed by the apparent confusion on the part of both students and faculty as to what the Bennington Community is. Some asked if there is a Community and if so, what are its characteristics. We would like to suggest, as a wide definition, that it is a group united both socially and intellectually. The first because we are all guided, to a certain extent, by the same Standards and Rules, and the second because our primary purpose here is to take hold of and explore as many new ideas as possible.

It seems to us that people who join the "Bennington Community" would have this purpose in mind; that they would be interested students. And if this is so, there is a great deal for them to do on campus. Every day in the week there is a workshop or seminar in a variety of fields such as Lit, Music, Drama, Dance and in the evening there are American Values lectures, faculty concerts, other lectures, and movies. We feel that students who complain of insufficient interchange of ideas have only themselves to blame since these work shops and lectures are open to everyone and exist for just that purpose. The only department that does not have a regular workshop is the Social Science division and we here feel a need

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FAMOUS LAST WORDS:



"I'll dash it off in no time"

Sonnet

from the German of R. A. Schroeder
Welling House

Were you to wake me with your fires from
 The profound gloom of solitary thought,
 Your flaming hand outstretched for me to come,
 Routing with flashes the soul's dream of Naught,

Were you to seek me from your battlements,
 My stormy sovereign, with each several wind,
 That secret chasm you should never find
 Where I took shelter, warily, long since.

What use is it to try your look on me
 Or your commandments from the castled skies?
 I've slunk away from any destiny
 That would enroll me, and to paralyze.

Each striking arm, dived into the dull flood.
 What use, lord of the living? I am shrewd.



Halloween is in the air. In the cities' stores, regardless of what they are selling, the window displays have turned to orange and black, except of course in the candy stores where they are orange and chocolate. Everywhere little children are practicing seeing in the dark and sharpening up their little scout knives. Bennington, too, will have its celebration. At dinner next Thursday everyone is to come in costume, the most original costume winning a bottle of champagne for its wearer.

Mr. Soule Suggests Cure For Apathy

Out of the welter of discussion that followed last week's community meeting, we got wind of one extremely interesting idea conceived of by Mr. Soule.

Mr. Soule feels that the best way to rouse community spirit, is to have some important community interest. He feels further, that this interest might be stimulated by organizing two political parties.

When questioned about the nature of these parties, Mr. Soule

drew an analogy between the ideology behind the first two American political parties and the two ideologies rampant on campus at present. In short there is feeling on whether or not the Bennington College government should be centralized in the hands of the judicial committee, or put into the hands of the masses, so to speak, by conducting more governmental business in house meetings. In short, federalists versus anti-federalists.

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A Phoenix "Not"
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by Suki Rayner

People are always complaining around campus about the lack of community spirit or to use the fashionable term of the moment—"student apathy". Though the temperature approximated 30 below, and the seats had a thin covering of frost, there seemed to be little evidence of "apathy" among those who watched the Freshman Drama production of Aristophanes' *Peace* on commons lawn the night of October 12. In fact, the attitude seemed to be one of "Why hasn't this type of thing been done before?" Under the direction of John Holabird *Peace* became a burlesque of a satire while still retaining a sufficient indication of its original style and spirit. It would be extremely difficult to present a serious production of *Peace* in the time that was allowed and with the added handicap of such a large cast. The burlesquing of the play automatically allowed for technical and line slip-ups, which sort of faded into the general mayhem. The most frequently heard criticism was that the production seemed too juvenile for a college and was reminiscent of a grade school presentation. As far as this student is concerned it's good to see Bennington spoofing itself instead of the usual serious intensity with which it approaches anything it deems worthwhile.

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I find no words to express my deep feelings of gratitude for the hospitality offered and kindness shown to me by you, the members of the staff and the students of Bennington College. I very much appreciated the proceeding of the conference and that was great help to me in being able to see the Indian situation in international context. I congratulate you on this new educational experiment. This method of education, I am sure, if be utilized widely, may yield good results in creating mutual understanding among the nations of the world.

Allow me to be frank in telling you the fact that in the beginning I was surprised to note that no Indian was included in the speakers' list. But believe me, after hearing Mr. Mayer and Mr. Rosinger, I appreciated the choice and felt no necessity of any Indian speaker. They knew about India more than most educated Indians do. I have learned a lot about America as well as India by my three days' stay at Bennington. Thank you very much for that.

Editor's Note: The program committee also felt disappointed that of the two Indians we sought as principal speakers, Professor Sundaram of the Indian Embassy was not free at the time of the conference, and Miss Santha Rama Rau, brilliant daughter of the Indian delegate to the United Nations, eluded us by returning to India in the summer.

Dear Professor Brockway:

I wish to thank you and through you, the Students and the members of the Staff of Bennington College for having provided me an opportunity to visit and what is more important, enjoying my stay in Bennington. I can never forget the overwhelming kindness which all of you bestowed on us. I am also very grateful for the keen interest evinced in my country and have no doubt that the two nations will advance to a closer understanding and a lasting alliance. We, from India, have so much to learn from a country which though young, compels attention with the enormity of its achievements.

Three of the most important contributions of America to the world, to me, seemed to be exemplified by your college. An eagerness to learn and to understand resulting from a consciousness of the existence of problems and the determination to solve them. A high respect for the individual and his aspirations and a pervading social consciousness. I hope your experiment at Bennington is taken

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Movies of the Week
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by Jammie Violin

Although there may be some controversy over the accuracy of the slogan "movies are better than ever," there are three films showing at local theatres this week that can at least be classified as "better than most".

The Desert Fox, playing at the Paramount Theatre in North Adams, October 26 and 27, has as its chief merit a superb acting job by James Mason in the role of Field Marshal Rommel. Otherwise, the film is rather uneven and perhaps a little too objective in its treatment of the German side of the war. The plot concerns itself mostly with Rommel's private life—his participation in a plot to overcome the Nazi regime, the threats on his wife by Hitler, and the mental anguish he experiences in a lost cause. Action and suspense are well handled by Director Henry Hathaway. The cast includes Cedric Hardwick, Jessica Tandy, and Luther Adler.

The Red Badge of Courage, on view at the Mohawk Theatre, October 26 and 27, shows the effects of war, this time the Civil War, on the mind of a young soldier. These effects are skillfully combined with exciting battle sequences by director John Huston combined with exciting battle (*Treasure of Sierra Madre*). Audie Murphy and Bill Mauldin have the leads. Note: The only evening showing is at 7:20.

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include skiing in the Alps, sunning on the Mediterranean or camping in Provence. The visit will conclude with a return to Paris for those who do not choose independent travel for their final work.

Winter groups in Mexico will follow the regular Experiment program, according to Miss Ann Louise Coffin, '51, leader of a group to Mexico, who also spoke for The Experiment at the meeting presided over by Gordon Boyce, Director of the organization. In a town like Puebla or Guanajuato, Mexican Experimenters will spend four weeks with hospitable families, sharing their everyday life which includes gay fiestas, trips to colorful markets and dancing to rhythmic music. After short trips during this time, Experimenters and Mexicans will make a longer journey which might take them southward to Oaxaca to visit the ruins of Mitla and Monte Alban, or to Michoacan with the idyllic island of Janitzio and the "live" volcano, Paricutin. The program will end with the week's return visit to families.

Experiment trips are approved by President Burkhardt as excellent Winter Projects. Further information about them can be obtained from Miss Bertha Funnell, director of Non-Resident Term, The Experiment In International Living, or from students who have participated in Experiment summer programs.

Participants: Judy Backer, Holland, 1951; Annette Cottrell, England, 1949; Alice Edge, Belgium, 1949; Patricia Hale, Norway, 1950; Faith Hanna, Denmark, 1951.

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for some clearing house of opinions about current situations. This workshop might be conducted like the newly organized Lit Workshop, meeting informally with a few faculty members, weekly or semi-weekly.

But, above all, we want to make clear that although the Standards and Rules exist and the workshops and seminars are open to all, we feel that any attempt to compel obedience to these rules or attendance at these seminars would be disastrous. And furthermore, a discussion limited to just the Standards and Rules would bypass the most essential point which is that no attempt should be made to enforce conformity or systematize activities. We came to Bennington precisely because here we could choose our friends, our courses, and do what we wished with our free time, without social pressure.

We are aware that this attitude leaves Bennington open to a great deal of criticism but this Community was started as a challenge to organized complacency and we would like to see it kept this way. We are also aware that the burning pioneer spirit of '32 is gone and to try to recreate it is impossible. All those on campus who cry "apathy" have forgotten this and have forgotten that Bennington is no longer a challenge in the same sense. Meetings, seminars, lectures, workshops, and concerts are well attended and the only indifference we find is social rather than intellectual. And we are not very sure that organized social activities are the answer to whatever it is many students feel lacking at Bennington.

Susan Edelmann
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Marion Andert, former executive secretary of the National Newman Club Federation, was appointed executive secretary of the Association. Miss Andert's appointment runs until January,

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up all over and the benefit of a sound education is offered to all that care to avail themselves of it. I regret I did not have, during my short stay, a chance of observing this venture more closely. But, despite even this handicap, I learned a number of things and wish to offer you my gratitude. I sincerely hope to visit Bennington again and renew my acquaintance with your institution as well as the delightful people who go to make it.

Yours very truly,
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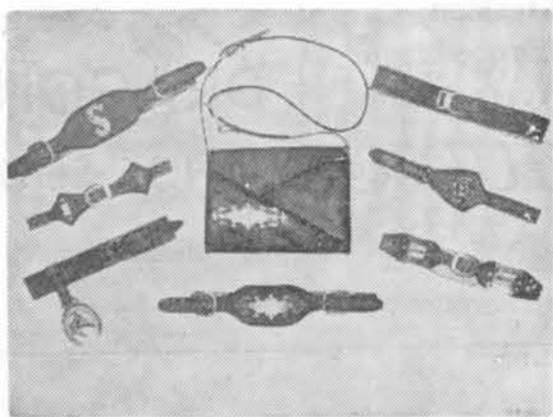
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