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Miss Katherine Tryon
Chairman, War Council
Vassar College
Poughkeepsie, New York

Dear Miss Tryon:

Bennington College has no war council as such. To date, the College Council, made up of delegates from the various student and faculty committees on campus, has planned and run a forum on war problems and their application to the Bennington College Community. At the forum meetings, students suggested various methods of conserving food, building up health, running war drives, saving fuel, electricity, etc. The administration of these suggestions was then returned to the student and faculty committees most directly concerned.

The Community Chest Committee handles drives for local charities, and schedules war drives promoted by interested student and faculty members of the community.

The Educational Policies Committee, student and faculty, has worked upon curriculum problems and policies connected with the war.

The House Council has approached these problems from the point of view of saving fuel and electricity.

The Recreation and Health Committees have promoted a nutrition and health educational program.

Our major war effort, however, is the responsibility of the entire community -- the College Farm. Student participation in the farm work, (the scheduling of this work), is handled by the members of the House Council and by the Farm Squad leaders.

Although the College Council reviews these policies and makes various suggestions, it is not a war council per se.

I hope this material will be of some use to you.

Sincerely yours,

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Miss Eleanor Metcalf
Chairman
College Council