

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 11, 1941. Those present were: Eleanor Metcalf, Margaret Brush, Dorothy Coffin, Carol Haines, Ann Mills, Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Chapman, Lucille Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg/

Testing Applicants for Drivers' Licenses

Mary Achilles and Jean Short were tested for drivers' licenses. The Central Committee will recommend these girls to the Community Council for drivers' licenses.

Bennington License Plates for Community Cars

The Bennington College license plates for student and faculty cars have been made. The Committee discussed the problem of how to get the students to put them on the cars. It was decided that the House Chairmen were to take charge of this.

Parking Accomodations at Fairview

The faculty at Fairview has been complaining that the students take their parking space behind Fairview because of the discomfort that the students have to face by walking from Fairview to the parking space set aside for them. The faculty recommended that the students be restricted to the lower parking space. The Committee decided to speak to Mr. Tschorn about this matter. They suggested that Mr. Tschorn let the students and faculty at Fairview use the driveway for parking.

Application for Absence

The following students received permission to return to Bennington late after winter field period:

Josephine Alter  
Marion Colt  
Clover Dulles  
Carol Haines  
Mary Heed  
Lucie Morton  
Judith Knapp  
Ann Davidson-without permission

Ann Davidson

Ann Davidson returned to College two days late without notifying the switchboard or the College. She was called in before the Central Committee. Ann admitted that she knew

the ruling but had failed to notify the College. She admitted that it was negligence. Her reason for being late was to stay to see her father who flew from California to see her before she left. She was told of the importance of notifying the college.

The Central Committee felt certain that Ann realized the import of telling the College the next time she would have to return late.

Joyce Searls

The fact that Joyce has a College license but that two states have revoked her license came to the Central Committee. Further investigation was suggested.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 13, 1941. Those present were Lucile Bloch and Teressa Blumberg.

Testing Applicant for Driver's License

Jane Allen was tested for her driver's license. The Central Committee will recommend her to the Community Council for a driver's license.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary of the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 14, 1941. Those present were Lucile Bloch and Teressa Blumberg.

Testing Applicant for Driver's License

Hannah Morris was tested for her driver's license. The Central Committee will recommend her to the Community Council for a driver's license.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 18, 1941. Those present were: Mr. Truman, Miss Godsill, Tibby Boothby, Ann Mills, Faith Colgan, Lucille Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg.

Driving Tests to be made more Rigid

The Central Committee discussed the possibility of giving a road test, but decided this would be unsatisfactory. It was recommended that Lucille Bloch and Teressa Blumberg make up a set of questions which they feel would be more satisfactory and which would make the driving tests more rigid.

Joan Lewisohn

Joan Lewisohn has been reported as a careless and bad driver. She bumped into the back of a truck recently. Lucille Bloch is to speak to her and ask her not to drive during bad weather conditions. Then if it is necessary, the Central Committee will write to her family and ask them to retract their permission for her driving while at College. *The question of her reliability is driving other students also come up.*  
Joyce Searls

Joyce Searls was brought up in the discussion again *It is up to her* because she has been driving at times without a College license. *A* Her California and New York license have been revoked. Lucille Bloch and Teressa Blumberg are to talk to her to find out the actual situation as no one has the true facts.

Wooley House Upset

Two girls, Gertrude Streeter and Josephine Winmill, have been upsetting Elizabeth Plimpton's room. This was done twice. Each time these two girls borrowed things from other girls' rooms for their pranks. It was suggested that Lucille Bloch speak to Gertrude Streeter and Josephine Winmill and mention that this behavior is undesirable.

Mary Jane English

This report came from Mr. Tschorn, March 11, 1941. "Mary Jane English's boy friend had his car parked in the street between the student houses until 12 o'clock tonight. When he went into the street, he left the chain down and also left it down when he came out. The girl was with him when he went into the street.

"We reported this several times last term and we have been several times to the house and had him move his car and have sent him back to put up the chain but it does no good. I wonder if Mrs. Garrett would straighten this out with the girl?"

Mary Jane English(cont.)

Then this report was also sent from Mr. Tschorn, March 12, 41.

"Mary Jane English's boyfriend was parked in the street between the student houses until 11:15 again tonight, and left the chain down on his way in and out of the street.

Lucile Bloch spoke to her about her misdemeanor. Lucile Bloch stressed the fact that recurrence was worse than the offense. Mary Jane seemed quite worried and was sorry that she had disobeyed the rules. We don't believe there will be any more trouble about this.

Confusion about Signing Out

Four girls signed out this weekend for twenty-four hours earlier than they really came back. It was a complete misunderstanding and confusing, according to their reports.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



March 18, 1941

Report to the Community Council  
of the Central Committee

The Central Committee has made these parking provisions;

All people driving to Fairview must park in the lower space below the Carriage Barn with the exception of resident faculty at Fairview who may use the reserved space adjoining Fairview.

The Central Committee recommended to the Community Council the following girls for driver's license;

Jane Allen  
Mary Achilles  
Hannah Morris-to drive Alice Brisbane's car  
Jean Short-to drive Ruth McCormick's car

At the last Central Committee meeting there was a discussion of the College morale and Freshman orientation which was brought up before the Community Council. The Community Council and the E.P.C. will take this over.

The Central Committee asked the House Chairmen to announce the standard which follows;

Men should use the men's washrooms in Booth, Dewey, Canfield, Franklin, Kilpatrick, Stokes-Sanford, and the Commons.

The Central Committee has made the following provision for men visitors;

The Lounge in the Commons will be used as a waiting room for visitors forced to remain on campus until late at night. The West door will be unlocked for entry, and the Lounge with adjoining Men's rooms will be accessible at all times.

There is some question about using the lounge when there are store displays. However, the above will be tried.

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 23, 1941. Those present were: Edith Stevens, Lucile Bloch, Ann Mills, and Teressa Blumberg.

Special Meeting !

Franklin House

Edith Stevens reported that her house, Franklin, had had some disturbing behavior March 22, 1941. Edith reports that Nanette Smith, Nancy Dennis, Kip Humphreys, and Betty Haas with either four or six Dartmouth boys went to Nancy Dennis' house for dinner. Betty Haas had a gun with her. When they returned to the College, one of the boys got out of the car and aimed the gun at the Franklin House light. Betty Haas stopped him. They went to Franklin and then three shots were heard. After they all got into the house, Kip Humphreys and Nancy Dennis went to their rooms and changed their clothes. With five guns, they decided to go out and have a Wolf hunt. Then more shooting was heard. For five minutes they ran around the circle yelling about the Wolf hunt and shooting. Edith Stevens called the policeman who came much later. When the policeman came, they were all on the floor and were quiet. Nanette Smith was the only one who seemed to have any sense. She was trying to help. Alice Levitt was in the card room with two boys and heard the whole incident.

In November Edith Stevens said, these same Dartmouth boys came and upset Nancy Dennis's room and Kip Humphreys' room.

It was also stated that March 18, 1941, Nancy Dennis and Kip Humphreys used the toilet seats of Franklin House as a decoration for a party.

The Central Committee felt that it is necessary to take drastic steps. They decided to inform the Community that they are attending to this matter, since it seems that the community is worried and upset. Another suggestion was to write to both Dartmouth and Williams. Of course, the Central Committee will have to meet with these girls.

Another special meeting is called for 10:00, March 24, 1941 in Mrs. Garrett's office.

Jennings

Ruth Miller and Helene Ferris had four Dartmouth boys in Jennings until 8 o'clock in the morning. This party was disturbing the quiet. The secretary stopped Helene, who was running through the house, and Helene placed Helen Keeler and Joan Stokes for the



trouble and noise. There were beer cans all over the living room. The secretary of Jennings said that Helene Ferris was drunk the other night when she returned from her birthday party. There were also four William's boys without girls in the house until four o'clock in the morning.

The Central Committee feels it would be wise to ask the seniors involved to meet with them first and then to ask Ruth Miller and Helene Ferris.

Swan

Swan was reported to have eight men without dates. They just came in to find dates. They left before ten o'clock.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 24, 1941. Those present were: Mr. Truman, Mrs. Garrett, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg.

Special Meeting !

Franklin House

Lucile Bloch reviewed the situation explained in March 23, 1941 notes. The Committee decided to call all of the girls involved in front of the Central Committee, which will be composed of the standing members and Eleanor Metcalf and Edith Stevens. These girls were informed to be in their rooms from four o'clock on in the afternoon.

Jennings House

Lucile Bloch reviewed the situation of the house which is also explained in the March 23, 1941 minutes. The Committee decided to call the senior members of the incident in at 3:30 in Dr. Leigh's office. The other members are to be in their rooms from four o'clock on.

General Decisions about Weekend of March 22-23, 1941

A Community meeting will be held this week or next week about behavior and the standards of Bennington. The Central Committee will try to get the students involved to tell what happened and to decide what punishment they should get, in the meeting today.

The Central Committee decided that it would be inadvisable to write to Dartmouth and Williams.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 24, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Edith Stevens, Eleanor Metcalf, Lucile Bloch, Ann Mills, and Teressa Blumberg.

Special Meeting !

Jennings House

*en 24*  
Fay Mowery, Joan Stokes, and Helen Keeler were brought up before the Central Committee for the long party held in Jennings March 22, 1941. These girls told the following about the party.

*en 24*  
Fay, Joan, and Helen with their dates had been in Williamstown. They returned to the college at five o'clock in the morning. After returning they went in the card room of Jennings until six o'clock. The girls admitted they were pretty noisy, but not terribly so. The reason they disturbed other people seemed to be that they were near the suites. They had six cans of beer, but there was no singing. Margie Michelson was among the party and called the Central Committee to see if they wanted her to come to the meeting.

*en 24*  
The Central Committee discussed the situation with these girls and told them that it not only gave Bennington a bad name, but the girls themselves. The responsibility which is given to them by the college was also stressed. Fay, Joan, and Helen admitted that they should have tried to quiet the party in their living room and that they should have been more careful about their own behavior. They seemed to feel the import of taking responsibility and said that their behavior of March 22, 1941, would never occur again.

*en 24*  
Ruth Miller told the Central Committee about their party in Jennings, March 22, 1941. There were three boys and three girls who came in at three o'clock and remained until six o'clock. The other members of the party were: Elsa Woodbridge, Joan Cummings, and Helene Ferris. Ruth seemed confused about the facts of that night. However, she said that her party had gone to the Merry-Go-Round and returned at 5:45 and then left to get some breakfast.

The Central Committee impressed upon Ruth that the behavior she displayed March 22 would look bad both for her and for the college to outsiders. She realized that it would and admitted that she had known the few rules involved, but had not thought about them at the time. Ruth said that this had never happened before and never would again so far as she was concerned.



Helene Ferris related the following facts about the party in Jennings. Elsa Woodbridge left about an hour after the party returned to the house, but her date stayed. There were lots of people running in and out of Jennings. She saw six Williams boys come in without dates and then many more who knocked on the windows and were noisy. At six o'clock the party that Helen was among went to get breakfast. She wasn't in bed all night. There was no drinking and no noise in her party. A

~~Helene~~ admitted that it didn't seem wrong to her then, but that now she knows better. She thought the older girls knew what they should do and so felt safe in following their example, however, she realizes where her responsibility begins and ends.

Elsa Woodbridge said that she was Ruth Miller's brother's date. The other boys were from Dartmouth. Joan and she were the only ones who didn't know their dates well. Elsa said that she tried to insinuate that the whole party should break up, but since it didn't she went to bed anyway. She had to be polite because of Ruth Miller. Elsa said no one was tight, nor had they been drinking. She was surprised to find the party in the living room when she got up the next morning to deliver papers.

Elsa said that she had tried to impress the younger students in her house about their responsibility, but that it was a long process. She feels that the older students should show the younger ones what to do.

Joan Cummings said that she hadn't tried to make the boys leave and had never tried. She thought perhaps if the watchman stuck his head in the door of the living room it might help her to remember to go to bed and send the boys home. Joan didn't feel that more rules should be made.

#### Franklin

Nancy Dennis and Kip Humphreys told about their party of March 22 in Franklin. They said that none of them had had anything to drink. They went to the Merry-Go-Round. They signed in at 1:30 and the boys left at four o'clock. They had four guns and decided to go on a Wolf hunt. They shot into the fields. Kip said that she and her friends had not intended shooting on campus.

They seemed to realize where their mistakes were and were willing to correct them. Their main trouble was in the fact that they hadn't thought before acting.

Nanette Smith and Betty Haas were spoken to by the Central Committee about the party at Franklin. They realized their responsibility.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on March 24, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg.

Jennings, Franklin House

The students seemed worried about what was to happen to them because of March 22. Also, other students are wondering what is to happen to the participants of the parties.

The Central Committee decided to tell those students that nothing is to be done because we feel that the meeting held March 24 is sufficient.

Joe Winmill and Judy Streeter

Lucile Bloch spoke to these two girls about tearing up Elizabeth Plimpton's room. The girls had not realized that they were doing anything wrong and are willing to be more sensible.

Joan Lewisbhn

Lucile Bloch talked to Joan about her careless driving. Joan insisted that the Central Committee of 1940-41 had cleared this up. However, if anything else occurs the Central Committee decided they would take drastic measures.

Road Test

Lucile Bloch announced that the Central Committee is making a new Driving test.

Joyce Searls

Lucile Bloch spoke to Joyce about driving her car without a license. Joyce said that she had not been driving her car and that she does not have a car and does not intend having one. For one week her car was in the possession of her boy friend.

Cricket Hill

Girls have been leaving and returning by the Cricket Hill road in order not to have to sign in and out. The Central Committee suggested that Lucile Bloch speak to the girls who have been doing this and tell them that it is an unnecessary avoidance of signing in.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 1, 1941. Those present were: Miss Godsill, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Priscilla Sherman, Muriel Cummings, Lucile Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg.

Jennings

There were reports brought to Lucile Bloch about Jennings having another party on March 29, 1941. Ruth Miller seemed to be one of the party. It seems that there were no drastic effects; however, she stayed with friends in the living room until quite late. It was suggested that Mrs. Fergusson should be the one to take care of the problem. Mrs. Fergusson is Ruth's counselor.

Discipline

Kilpatrick feels the need of discipline in the college. The problem was discussed.

Driver's License

Lisa Adams, Joan Leonard, Beatrice Newman, and Lorraine Henderson took their driving tests today. The Central Committee will recommend them to the Community Council for driver's license.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 2, 1941. Those present were: Lucile Bloch and Teressa Blumberg.

Driver's License

Mary Jane Wiman, Nancy Bickelhaupt, Ann Cobb, and Phyllis Preston were given their driving tests today. The Central Committee will recommend them to the Community Council for driver's license.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 8, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Edith Stevens, Faith Colgan, and Teressa Blumberg.

Betty Haas and Kip Humphreys

Lucile Bloch read the following report from the policeman:

April 7, 1941

"I am wondering whether it wouldn't be a good policy to yearly when the Campus automobile registration blanks are forwarded to the members of the Community whether they couldn't be warned to remove keys from their cars so that we do not unnecessarily trouble the State Motor Vehicle Inspectors. By having members of the Community remove the keys from their cars, we could undoubtedly avoid a good deal of the difficulty that we have run into during the past."

The following report was also read in connection with this above one:

April 7, 1941

"Betty Haas came in at 12:30 A.M. and said that her car was missing. She had let Kip Humphreys take it, evidently become worried about it, and called the authorities.

"Kip Humphreys and boy friend came in at 12:50 A.M. and at 1:10 A.M. two State Troopers came in, and asked to see the two girls. I had them come up to the Policeman's booth and the Troopers gave them quite a talking to."

"The story that the watchman told me is that Betty Haas let Kip Humphreys and her boy friend take her car. They were all at the Merry-Go-Round together, Kip Humphreys and her friend, Betty Haas and Nancy Dennis were there with two boys in another car. Kip Humphreys started home first, and when she and her friend came out of the Merry-Go-Round they let the air out of some of the tires on the car that Betty Haas and Nancy Dennis were in. This made Betty Haas angry. When she got back to the College, and found that Kip Humphreys was not back, she came up to the Policeman's booth, said that her car was missing, and asked if she might call the police. So he let her. It looks as if Betty Haas did this to get even with Kip Humphreys for letting the air out of the tires."

This problem was discussed and the decision was that the offenses were lending cars and practical joking. The Committee was agreed that talking to these before the whole committee would not be as helpful as having Lucile Bloch speak to Betty Haas and Edith Stevens talk to Kip Humphreys.

The suggestion of the policeman about the keys in cars can not be used because there is a rule that members of the Community must leave their keys in their cars. The suggestion does not seem to solve the problem in anyway.



Interpretations of the Standards

In discussing the Student Meeting , the need for the Central Committee's interpretation of the Standards was brought up. The Central Committee will work on the old interpretations and submit to the Community Council its new interpretation. Then the Central Committee will have a copy of the interpretations posted on each house Bulletin Board.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 15, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Nancy Hamill, Eleanor Metcalf, and Teressa Blumberg.

Men in Living Rooms

The Central Committee submitted to the Community Council their interpretation of some of the Community Standards. The discussion about men in living rooms was continued into the Central Committee meeting.

The decision was to state that twelve midnight is late. When students stay in the living room with men longer than an hour after their entry after midnight, they will be spoken to by their House Chairman. The second offense will be taken care of in the same manner by the Chairman of the Central Committee. Upon a third offense the student will be requested to come before the Central Committee. If a student persists in breaking this regulations, the Central Committee can recommend that this girl be dropped from the Bennington Community. This is done through the Personnel Committee.

Daphne Eaches

✓  
cc ref. Daphne Eaches has been reported by the watchman to stay in the living room of McCullough for over an hour three times in the last few weeks. Eleanor Metcalf, her House Chairman, spoke to her. Mr. Chapman, her counselor, was notified. Eleanor said that Daphne realized she was suffering from late hours, but had enjoyed going out and staying up late. She will try to maintain earlier hours.

✓  
cc ref. Betty Haas

Lucile Bloch spoke to Betty Haas about letting the air out of tires episode mentioned in the April 8 Central Committee minutes. Betty felt that this incident had not injured the college in any way.

Old Road

Mr. Tschorn recommended that the gate to the Old Road leading to the college be locked. The Committee is not responsible for this. It will be referred back to Mr. Tschorn.

License Plates

Marion Krantz, Patsy Hiller, and Margaret Cuddy either have no license plates or have old ones. Mr. Tschorn recommended that we have the girls turn in their keys. Lucile Bloch called Marion and Patsy and both have written for their plates, but have not received them. The Committee will find out why Margaret Cuddy hasn't her 1941 license plate.

Ruth Miller



Ruth Miller

✓  
on ref  
Lucile Bloch spoke to Ruth Miller's counselor, as was suggested in the Central Committee meeting, April 1, 1941. Mrs. Fergusson suggested that the Central Committee notify Mrs. Fergusson whenever the occasion arises concerning Ruth and that the Central Committee use disciplinary methods with Ruth.

Party at Fairview

Edward Thommen gave a party Sunday night, April 13, 1941 for the following students; Valerie Pottberg, Eloise Bishop, Margaret Stein, Ann Eaton, Stanton Benjamin, Ray Malon. All of these students were intoxicated when they returned to Bingham at midnight. Peg Stien gave the facts about the party. She said that it started at ten o'clock in the evening and lasted only an hour or so. There was drinking and dancing. The drinks that they had were quite potent. After the party around midnight they all returned to Bingham to get some coffee. The night watchman asked them to be quiet. Mary Jane Wyman and Edna Le Fere reported this incident because Edward Thommen had greeted them when they returned from their weekend.

The Central Committee decided that Edward Thommen was responsible for this party. Mr. Truman will speak to him and to Miss Shelley about the Drama boys. Lucile Bloch will speak to the other three girls.

It was also suggested that Mr. Newcomb, Peg Stien's counselor, be spoken to about Peg's studying habits and relaxing habits.

Ann Whiteley, Marie Christopher, and Diana Allyn

The night watchman reports that these girls and their boy friends were quite noisy, April 9, when they returned to college. When the policeman went down to speak to them the boys ran into their car, locked the door, and drove off.

Lucile Bloch will speak to the three girls about this.

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, Central Committee



Bennington College  
April 23, 1941

Agenda for House Meetings, Wednesday, April 23rd.

1) War Relief

- a) Get list of all the people who are interested in working for the "Youth Wants to Help" program and give it to Ann Wickes. Especially those who have cars.

2) The Central Committee's interpretation of the Standards

All the Standards may be found in the House Chairman's Handbook and all the numbers here refer to the numbers there.

Under definitions:

- I. The state law provides that an adult may not buy liquor for a minor.
- V. There is no sunbathing behind the stone wall. Anything less than a halter and shorts is considered sunbathing and should be restricted to places designated for sunbathing. Bare feet are permitted only in houses, dance classes, and places for sunbathing.
- YY. Late at night means anytime after 12:00 midnight. On his second round after that time the night watchman reports those still in the living rooms.

Under Guests at College II

- A. In this situation fiances and husbands cannot be considered as members of the family.
- B. All guests should go to the switchboard and be announced.
- C. This means the student hostess must see that the Standards of the college are upheld by her guest or guests as well as by herself.

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 29, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Theodora Boothby, ~~Lydia Schoepferle~~ <sup>Lyla Larsen</sup>, and Teressa Blumberg.

Party at Fairview

*representatives*  
~~Mr. Truman~~ Discussed in April 15, 1941 Central Committee minutes. ~~Mr. Truman~~ reported that ~~the~~ Personnel Committee spoke to Edward Thommen and felt the interview was quite satisfactory. However, Ann Mills reported that Edward had made it very unpleasant for Mary Jane Wyman because she reported the party. Mr. Truman will speak to Edward.

Mr. ~~Truman~~ Fergusson spoke to the Drama boys. Lucile Bloch spoke to the girls. Peg Steen and Eloise Bishop ~~were~~ received the comments on their behavior in a fine manner. Valerie Pottberg and Anne Eaton were not receptive.

Ann Whiteley, Marie Christopher, and Diana Allyn

Lucile Bloch spoke to these girls about the incident mentioned in the April 15, 1941 Central Committee minutes.

Woolley House

The noise reported in Woolley House the 21st of April was nothing but gaiety.

Marion Krantz

Marion Krantz has been driving her car with 1940 licence plates. She is to turn in her keys until she has her 1941 plates.

Phyllis Preston

Phyllis reported that she was arrested the weekend of April 25 for speeding on the Merritt Parkway. She was going about 65 miles per hour in order to take her friend to a train. Phyllis was fined over \$25.00.

*to Controller's office*  
Lucile Bloch will speak to her warning her that a second offense will mean her license will be revoked.

Arrests to be reported

All arrests have not been reported. A notice will be put in the Weekly about this.

Faculty in Dining Room

*staff + disrupted*  
Thirteen members of the ~~dining~~ faculty have been disrupting the dining room. Mr. Truman will speak to them at the Faculty meeting.



The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on April 29, 1941. Those present were: Mr. Chapman, Miss Godsill, Nancy Cole, Ann Mills, Edith Stevens, Lucile Bloch, and Teressa Blumberg.

Margaret Cuddy

Margaret Cuddy has no 1941 license plates. The Central Committee will investigate the situation.

Bingham House

Miss Godsill mentioned that there has been an undue amount of noise in Bingham. Ann Mills said that the noise was not due to anything particular but that the specific instance mentioned was the fault of one girl.

Lorraine Henderson

Lorraine Henderson had an accident on her way to Troy. It was raining and she skidded. She ran into a curb. Two wheels were broken. She had to have them repaired.

Driving Test

The following girls were tested for Driving License and will be recommended to the Community Council:

Edith Stevens  
Marion Johnson  
Gale Nickson  
Margaret Young  
Joan Hyatt  
Mary Berna

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on May 13, 1941. Those present were: Mr. Truman, Mrs. Garrett, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Teresa Blumberg, Priscilla Sherman, and Nancy Hamill.

Edward Thommen

Mr. Truman reported that he spoke to Edward Thommen about the incident mentioned in the minutes of April 29, 1941. Edward said that he had made no remarks about Mary Jane Wyman in regard to her telling about the party Edward had at Fairview. Mr. Truman felt the interview was successful and that Edward would not let anything similar happen again.

Margaret Cuddy

Teresa Blumberg reported that Margaret Cuddy has not gotten 1941 license plates on her car because she is trying to sell it and is not using it and has not been for some time.

Phyllis Preston

Lucile Bloch reported that the Central Committee interviewed Phyllis about her arrest. This case is completed.

Marion Krantz

Marion Krantz has her 1941 license plates now.

Application for Early Leave

A notice will be posted on the College Bulletin Board stating that applications for early leave should be handed to the Central Committee by May 19, 1941.

Rooms

The Central Committee plans to help Mrs. Garrett with the rooming, June 3rd, their first meeting in June.

Faculty Dining Room

Mr. Truman has not spoken to the faculty about their behavior in the dining room, but will do so in the coming faculty meeting.

Student-Central Committee relationship

The Central Committee presented a questionnaire for the community in order to find out how the community feels about the Central Committee and their function. It was decided not to use

the questionnaires, but Mr. Truman will put a question in his study and will give the Central Committee the results.

The discussion continued in the direction of whether students reported things to the Central Committee or whether they feel that it would not doing any good if they did. It was felt that these sentiments are common among the students and that something will have to be done about it next year.

Mr. Truman recommended that we make it clear next year (1) that the student is individually responsible for her conduct and (2) that the Central Committee is confidential.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on May 28, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Teresa Blumberg, Lila Larsen, and Faith Colgan.

Applications for Early Leave

Tina Safranski asked permission to leave College, June 6, 1941 in order to go to her job as guest editor of Mademoiselle. Permission was granted because Tina will have ample time to make up the work in her five classes which she will miss.

Ann Wickes asked permission to leave College, June 11, 1941 in order to be able to attend a wedding dinner of a friend of hers. Lucile Bloch will ask both Ann's instructors how they feel about Ann missing their classes. The decision will depend entirely upon the instructors' decision.

Mary Achilles asked permission to leave College, June 11, 1941 in order to attend a rehearsal of a friend's wedding, at which Mary is to be a bridesmaid. Permission will be granted if Mary can make up her work before she leaves.

Leslie Friedman asked permission to leave College, June 12, 1941 in order to attend her cousin's wedding. Permission was granted.

Suzy Heller

Lila Larsen reported that Jane Allen had seen a man in Suzy Heller's room when Jane delivered papers. Teresa Blumberg stated that she had known about this case. Suzy's brother was helping her type her thesis. The problem is an individual one and more than just this one incident. The committee felt that nothing needs to be done other than Teresa speaking to Jane and explaining the necessary details.

Nancy Dennis

Faith Colgan said that Nancy has been involving herself with Bennington people and especially the motor policeman. Faith felt that this would create a bad impression of Bennington. The Committee decided that this would not hurt Bennington because people in Bennington town know Nancy and associate her with her family and not the College. Nancy's inability to conform to the College Standards was discussed. The Committee decided that her problem is not ~~for~~ theirs, but rather that of the Personnel Committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on May 20, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Muriel Cummings, Lucile Bloch, Margaret Brush, and Teresa Flumberg.

Married Woman at Bennington

Mary Hood and Greta Schuyler came to the Central Committee to discuss the question of having husbands in their wives' rooms at College.

Both girls seemed to feel that it should be treated as an individual case. They also thought the rule inconsistent with Bennington College Standards.

The Central Committee decided that the solution to the problem is to have the married girls live in living room suites in which their husbands could remain until midnight.

Since Greta's husband is the only one of the two that will be at the College during the remainder of this year she will have the choice of moving into a living room suite or abiding by the present Standard of no men in student rooms after 8:45.

Application for Early Leave

Evelyn Glass applied to leave College June 12th because she has a free ride West. Her instructor's and counselor's approval will have to be received before she is granted permission.

Sue Winter applied for leave on May 30th because she has a job which starts June 14. This will give her an opportunity to have a vacation. Since she is a senior and all her work will be done permission is granted.

Margaret Brush applied to leave on June 9th because she has to see her doctor before taking her job for the summer. Permission is granted.

Kip Humphreys applied to leave June 10th to be a bridesmaid at a friend's wedding. Permission was granted.

Mary Achilles was discussed May 20. She said that her work could be finished before she left. Permission was granted.

Anne Wickes also applied May 20. Both Mr. Belitt and Mr. Newcomb approved her leaving. Permission was granted.

Cricket Bill

It was brought up that the secretaries of Cricket Bill use the garden plot for sunbathing and parties. This seems to be their privilege.



Halters in Dining Room

Students have been coming to the dining room with halters on. They also come in the Commons in their bare feet.

Jerry Babcock will be asked to make a sign referring to this.

Wooley House

There was music until 2 o'clock the weekend of the dance in the apartment in Wooley. Girls complained. The Committee decided that on a dance weekend this should be permitted.

There was also music until 1 o'clock last weekend. This should be handled in the same fashion as student noise.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teresa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee

Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on June 6, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Teressa Blumberg, Theodora Boothby, and Eleanor Metcalf.

Living Rooms

Ann Mills brought the incident of Nancy Dicklehaut and Mary Isham to the Central Committee. This was the situation: The girls' dates came at 9:30. Nancy and her date went out and returned at 2:00. Mary Isham and her date stayed in the living room to wait for Nancy and her date. This meant that Mary was in the living room from 9:30 to 2:30, when the boys left.

The girls felt that it would be unfair to consider Mary's case a misdemeanor. They wondered if the living room standard should be changed.

The problem was discussed and it was decided that the rule need not be changed. Each case should be handled individually according to the house. A report does not necessarily mean a demerit.

Driving Test

Lydia Schoepperle was given her driving test. She will be recommended to the Council for a driving license. There has been a mistake and Lydia has received her license.

Evelyn Glass

Evelyn Glass applied for early leave last meeting. Her counselor had not signed her card, but has now. She was granted permission.

Rooming

The Central Committee went over the rooming situations with Mrs. Garrett.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, the Central Committee



Minutes of the Central Committee

The Central Committee met on June 10, 1941. Those present were: Mrs. Garrett, Mr. Truman, Mr. Chapman, Ann Mills, Lucile Bloch, Teressa Blumberg, Nancy Cole, and Faith Colgan.

Applications for Early Leave

Margaret Y. Allen applied for early leave on June 12. She is to be a bridesmaid. Permission was granted.

Pamela Richards applied to leave early on June 11. She has to be with her mother who is to undergo an operation. Permission was granted.

Accidents

Jane Ann Chirk reported an accident which she was in. It occurred on Saturday, May 16, 1941.

Helen Keeler was arrested for speeding on June 9. She did not report the ~~arrest~~, but it was found in the Banner. The arrest cost her \$5.00.

Benita Baker

Benita Baker has been reported by the watchman as staying in the living late at night seven times. Also, she has failed to sign out five times during this semester. Mr. Chapman, her counselor, asked to have her come to the Central Committee, which she did.

The Committee discussed her problems with her. She said that she merely forgot and that she would try to comply with the standards from now on without any special ruling for her.

After Benita left the Committee discussed her problem, but came to no conclusions.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Teressa Blumberg  
Secretary, Central Committee