

Bennington College
October 6, 1942

A meeting of the College Council was held in the North Dining Room on Tuesday, October 6, at 1:00 p.m. The following members were present: Mr. Brockway, Geraldine Babcock, Mrs. Garrett, Jeanne Gaudy, Miss Grimwood, Marjorie Handwerk, Eleanor Metcalf, Chairman, Miss Peplau, Phyllis Preston, Edith Stevens.

PETS

In spite of the legislation of the College Council in regard to pets on the campus last year, the problem has arisen this year. The College Council was not in favor of allowing pets on campus, but it was felt that the problem would probably come up in a community meeting. Nothing can be done for the time being.

Due to the nuisance that stray animals have made of themselves on campus, the College Council approved the suggestion that all strays be taken to the office of the Superintendent of the Buildings and Grounds to be disposed of. It was also suggested that, for the protection of dogs or cats owned by faculty members, it would be wise for the owners to put identification tags on the animals.

FREE WEEKENDS

A choice of the three weekends at the end of October as free will be offered to the Community. The weekend that is chosen by the majority through a vote in the house meetings will be the free one.

FOREIGN STUDENT FUND

The Foreign Student Fund has been \$675 until the present time, but has now been cut to \$300. Elizabeth Herriott, the Student Treasurer, suggested that, as the Community Chest Committee has a surplus of \$458, the \$300 be taken from the surplus. This would mean that the Community Chest Committee would have to raise money only for the Employees' Christmas Fund. The suggestion was approved by the College Council.

STUDENT COLLECTORS

The following list of student collectors for the Community Chest campaigns was read and approved by the Council:

Bingham	Margaret Larson	Kilpatrick	Susan Lancaster
Booth	Ethel Appel	McCullough	Joan Rorimer
Canfield	Nancy Griffin	Stokes-Sanford	Amory Potter
Dewey	Carol Skinner	Swan	Ann McMillan
Franklin	Mary St. John	Welling	Margaret Dunn
Jennings	Rosalie Holtsberg	Woolley	Ruth Lee
Faculty Collectors	Joan Bayne, Teressa Blumberg		
Staff Collectors	Jane Allen, Nancy Hirose		

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WAR DRIVES

The Community Chest Committee suggested that all letters received by that committee soliciting funds for relief associations be posted on the Bulletin Board and printed in the College Week after having been approved by the College Council. Any student interested in soliciting for that particular association would then get in touch with the Community Chest Committee. There would be a time limit on each individual drive.

STUDENT WORK LOAD

There had been some question as to whether there was too much work being required of students by the faculty or whether the feeling of pressure was due to the war and acceleration. Most people agreed that most acceleration was coming from the students themselves; also, several students had felt that they were glad that there was more work than before. Miss Peplau stated that no students were in the Infirmary from over-work.

LIBRARY

So far having the Library open on Saturday night has proved satisfactory. However, it will continue to be open on a provisional basis only.

HEAT

While the new furnace in Fairview is being installed, Miss Peplau suggested that students who practised there use their practise time in reading for other classes. As there have been quite a few cases of influenza in the major cities of the United States, the College feels that all precautions should be taken to prevent any cases here and try to avoid an epidemic.

RECREATION COUNCIL

The Recreation Council is planning to have movies, Open House, or some other form of entertainment on Saturday nights both for the girls who stay on campus and for girls who have dates. A formal dance is also planned for sometime in December, perhaps the first weekend.

Miss Grimwood asked that all meetings, dances, Open Houses, etc., be cleared through her office first in order to avoid conflicts with entertainments planned by the General Meetings Committee.

There was some discussion about the advisability of charging admission to movies, say 15 cents. It would take only 100 people paying 15 cents each to pay for the cost of a film, and if enough people came, the price might be lowered.

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FARM

The House Council is going to ask people who are unable to work on the farm to notify their squad leaders. So far there have been, as an average, 63 out of 88 people working. It was suggested that the Recreation Council put on a campaign by word-of-mouth to push up the number of people working on the farm.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Sigourney, Secretary
College Council