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## NEW ROOM FOR EXPANSION

### ... About Lesley's New Dormitory

1. Last year at its quarterly meeting in January, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to name the new dormitory, recently opened, Trentwell Mason White Hall in honor of the last head of the old Lesley School and the first (and continuing) president of Lesley College. Dr. White came to Lesley as chief executive in the summer of 1944.

2. White Hall is of solid concrete, steel reinforced construction, brick faced with blue-stone spandrels. It is four storeys high, including a ground floor, with a basement below that. The building is the only one in this area so specially constructed as to be bomb proof (up to one mile), earthquake and hurricane proof, and fireproof. Completed and fully furnished, it will have cost in excess of \$550,000. It is heated by oil with controls and forced ventilation on each floor. All principal doors and windows are of steel and aluminum with plate glass.

3. The bedrooms in the building are of the Allyn-West type. When closed, they will allow maximum circulation of air with minimum admission of light. Except for two singles on each floor, every student room is a double one with built-in desks, bureaus, and window-shelves—all with formica tops. Reading lamps, mirrors, Hollywood beds with inner spring mattresses, and chairs—maple-finished as is the rest of the furniture—complete the equipment. Each room has a commodious closet with shelf, hooks, clothesrod, and sliding doors.

4. The bathrooms, fully tiled, include bathtubs as well as showers, and each of these rooms has an automatic clothes-washing machine and dryer. In addition, the bathrooms have ironing boards and special sinks for doing personal laundry, and yet other sinks solely for hair-shampooing. The dormitory houses 146 girls plus a residence director whose first-floor suite includes a living room, bedroom, bath, and kitchenette.

5. Though there are some twelve telephones in the building, each is individual in connection, and none is hooked up with a central switchboard or monitor box. The reason for this is the difficulty of satisfactory day-and-night servicing of a main switchboard. The building itself has a telephone in the reception office which is connected only with the residence director's phone. This phone is not to receive calls for students. Girls wishing to call out or to receive calls must use the individual booth phones in the dormitory corridors or one of the booth phones elsewhere in the building.

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### An Invitation to You Come One, Come All!!!

To: Annual Building Fund Bazaar

When: February 13, 1958

Where: Livingston Stebbins Gymnasium

At: 12 noon to 5:00 p.m.

### Friends Of The Library

The Friends of the Library started the year by sponsoring an assembly, held on December 5, 1957. Dr. Oliver, our advisor, reviewed the book "Remember Me to God" by Myron S. Kaufmann. A discussion followed. It proved to be very successful and plans for a similar undertaking are being considered.

We have many ideas for activities in the future but we need more members and better attendance to help carry them through successfully. It is not too late to join since we are just beginning new projects. The next meeting will be held on Monday February 10. Just sit in on a meeting; you probably would enjoy it.

It has been suggested that we sell used books as a money-maker and also as a service for students. We would very much like your opinions and suggestions on the matter. A box will be set up in the main lobby of the classroom building for your comments.

If all goes well, we hope to be selling paper-backs from a leading bookstore in Cambridge at the Building Fund Bazaar. Save your money and plan to buy some of those books you always wanted to read.

The old diningroom, soon to house our art department, was once Lesley's gym. (It was just a barn before that, and used accordingly.) The present gym was, until 1948, the art department headquarters. Our library was once an assembly hall, and at that time Room C was the home of our library.

Dr. Merl Ruskin Wolfard, chairman of Lesley's Corporation and widower of our founder has lived since his wife's death in Rancho Santa Fe, California. He usually comes East in June or July each year to visit Lesley and to spend some time at the estate on Newfound Lake in Bristol, N. H., where Edith Lesley Wolfard once maintained a summer-school camp for Lesley girls.

### Freshman Elections

Carolyn Aust was elected president of the Freshman Class in the elections held on Monday, December 16, 1957. In our class meeting of December 18, Carolyn's leadership ability was demonstrated and indications are that she will be one of the class's greatest assets. Carolyn's home town is Providence, Rhode Island. Here she showed herself to be a credit to her school and community by participating in many of the local organizations.

To take over in Carolyn's absence is M.G. who is our new V.P. Marie Geordano has had a great deal of previous experience as the vice president of Newton high school, where she did an excellent job. We are confident that her performance here at Lesley will equal her previous achievements if not surpass them. Marie says, "I am very thankful to you, my classmates, for electing me as your vice president of our freshman class. The freshman class can be a great class if we all, in the spirit of cooperation, strive to meet the requirements for which we are responsible. Let us maintain the fine reputation we have already acquired."

Taking and reading the freshman class minutes is the class's newly elected secretary Joyce Marshall. Joyce's previous experience as secretary of various organizations and her ability to type and take shorthand lead us to believe that she will do an efficient and conscientious job.

Taking care of the financial situation of the class of '67 is Sandy Prager. At Hill House High School in New Haven, Connecticut, Sandy was responsible for many of the achievements gained for her class and her school. Her qualifications and experience assure us of a job well-done and a properly balanced treasury.

Elected to the office of Student Government Representative is Anne Haffer. Anne's leadership ability centers around camp life and the active part she played in making her teams victorious. Her capabilities and ambitions assure the freshmen of being well represented in the Student Government Council.

Publicizing the events of the Freshman Class is now the responsibility of Fran Klein who is our newly elected publicity chairman. Fran's artistic ability and clever ideas will be a great asset to the class in the many projects proposed for the coming months.

The members of the Lantern staff wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the newly elected freshman class officers. We wish them the best of luck in making the class of '61 the best class to have entered Lesley College.

President White's office floor contains, beneath the rug, a trapdoor. If some curious person didn't mind the dust and cramped quarters, he might crawl down through it and thus be able to make his way underneath all the classroom floors on that level. But who is that curious?

### Lesley Purchases Long Sought Property

On Thursday, January 15, President White, in the company of members of Lesley's Board of Trustees, signed final papers to purchase the property known as 51-53 Oxford at the corner of Oxford and Mellen Streets. This new holding consists of nearly a quarter acre of land with a large double house somewhat like our own Oxford Hall next door to it. The building contains about twenty rooms and has been conducted as a rooming house for Harvard graduate students.

Since, for at least a dozen years, Lesley has been trying to secure this property to complete our ownership of the Everett-Oxford-Mellen Streets end of the block, President White and other officials of the college are pleased with Lesley's most recent acquisition. It will be recalled that three years ago the college bought the abutting property, 32-34 Mellen Street where Mellen Hall and the Carral-Hall School now are. The current Oxford Street will be completed by June, Lesley will move in July 1.

Plans for new roofs, chimneys, fire escapes, and other extensive renovation and repairs outside and inside the building have already been made. Fully redecorated, it will be opened next September as a dormitory for 36 girls. This latest residence may be called "Gray Hall"—remembering a dormitory by this name which Lesley maintained briefly at No. 66 Oxford Street in 1947. It was discarded presently as too small for our eventual purposes. Lesley is on the march!

### Emerald Key

On February 6, 1958 the six freshman members of the Emerald Key will be installed at the Student Government Assembly. These six girls, who will be notified by registered mail upon their election, will be permanent members of the society of college hostesses.

The executive board of the freshman class is invited to present the names of twelve girls they feel are qualified. Qualifications are personal graciousness, charm, interest in affairs of the college, and participation in college activities. The freshman executive board presents the list to the faculty and the members of the Emerald Key who make any additions or deletions they feel are necessary. From there the faculty members and the members of the Emerald Key vote and arrive at six finalists.

In the near future, the girls will hold a dinner meeting at Mrs. Ackerson's home and they are planning an activity in April under the direction of their president, Maritza Hekimian.

Carolyn Aust

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## THE LANTERN SPEAKS

As a result of changing world conditions, technological developments, and an increase of population, Americans need more and better opportunities for training and education, and the country as a whole needs more better educated and more highly trained citizens, according to the President's Committee on Education.

Since 1936, the birth rate has almost doubled, and within the next fifteen years the entire population will increase seventeen percent. Because of this, college enrollment is at its highest peak with over three million attending higher institutions of learning. By 1970, this enrollment is expected to double at least.

New scientific and nuclear developments play an important part in our lives. If tomorrow's world is to be one of advanced social and technical complexity, America will need more people with post-high school training and education. More institutions will also be needed to produce these professional and technical people so necessary to our future culture and economic development. By 1975, there will be a twenty-five percent increase in our working force, and if the proper opportunities for education and training are provided, our production will be double that of 1956.

As a by-product of this scientific advancement, the world has become smaller through communication. There is also a growing demand on other nations for resources and raw materials in addition to frequent convocations of the peace negotiations. Our country, therefore, needs citizens with broadened interest in foreign relations and world affairs. Within the next twenty years, the world's leaders in government, diplomacy, politics, and foreign affairs, and the survival of mankind may depend on our ability to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

The occupational outlook, in addition to the above three phases, emphasizes the need for education. Our industry is about to undergo a great change. Skilled workers will be more in demand than laborers and farm workers in the next ten years. The educational system will therefore need to provide the advanced training and education required. New skills may be built on the basis of sound education which provides adjustment to constant abrupt change.

Among the problems faced in the post-high school expansion are teacher shortage, student education, and finance. By 1965, there will need to be at least fifty percent more of the 230,000 college teachers to meet the increased enrollment. This is on a ratio of one teacher to every thirteen students. Also, many college students are not worthy of receiving an education while many who deserve it cannot have one for financial or other reasons. Many capable students, in addition, waste their talents because of lack of drive or ambition to better themselves through advanced learning. In order to meet the expected influx of students, more buildings, incurring additional expenditures such as salaries and maintenance, will be required. In 1954, over three billion four hundred and thirteen million dollars was spent on higher education compared to the gross national product of over three hundred sixty billion dollars.

The job to be done is one for states and local communities. "An institution of learning is a mark of a civilized community." On the whole, a college education should be available to all worthy students, to prepare them for a good and meaningful life as citizens of the American community.

**TENSION, CONFUSION, DISTRUST, HATRED**—this is the inheritance of today's youth. The sins of our fathers have been visited upon us. We, the youth, must undo these wrongs or face our own destruction; either by the growth of hatred, or in the fire of nuclear weapons.

Veiled behind a cloud of desperation, there is a glimmer of hope for peace and security. This hope, this dream, this image—this too is the legacy of today's youth.

Will this image be destroyed by the corrosive hate amongst people? Will it be smothered in the smoke of warfare?

Or will it guide us, that we may yield to our children a safe and happy world?

### We're Calling YOU

Why not join the fun on Wednesday evenings when the Lesley students try their skill at bowling. . . . The Harvard Bowl-Away, Inc. on Boylston Street right in Harvard Square is the scene of this activity which takes place every Wednesday evening at 6:45 P.M. There is no charge for Lesley girls bowling at this time. Plan to go next Wednesday—The more the merrier!!

### Things You Didn't Know

Our Wishing Well came from Florence, Italy. On one of a number of trips to Europe, our founder, Edith Lesley Wolfard, saw, admired, and purchased the well-sweep there and had it set in our yard during the early 1920's.

## SCHOLARSHIP

Students at Coopersville got a bulletin from their high school principal a few days ago and what he said is worth repeating to those of high school age everywhere. . . . These are the remarks of Russell F. Conran, as reprinted in The Coopersville Observer:

"Scholarship is our most important product. It is the key to opportunity, it is the acceptance at college; it is qualification for a job; it is an end in itself. Pride in scholarship needs cultivating.

"All school teachers attempt to do this and it seems to me we have succeeded to a degree over the past few years. Attention to and interest in good scholarship appears more in evidence in the number of books students take home, the friendly competition for positions in class standings, and in the mere increased number of students who bother to inquire about their standings.

"So fast is the pace today, and so far have we gone down the road of space conquest, that a keen mind has become a resource more valuable than uranium. It is the greatest weapon in our arsenal and at the same time the greatest hope for peace in the world. The crying need of our country today is the trained mind, the skilled worker, the creative thinker.

"We are currently in a race with Russia in the production of scholars. Our educational system is being challenged by a nation whose success is based upon control and assignment, something we despise, rather than on free will and free choice, things we cherish. This race will be won or lost in the classroom where scholars develop their minds. The great men of America are saying this daily in the newspapers.

"In our school there is a weakness in this respect. A number of our students, who are fully capable of doing good work in the more difficult subjects, are touring around these to others of difficulty. Classes in physics, chemistry, advanced mathematics and foreign languages should include these students, but do not. Why? If encouragement is needed, we offer it. If getting by is your highest aim, consider it. If you are underestimating your ability, ask about it.

"Let us continue to be more concerned with scholarship and the contribution scholars can make to the national good. The urgency is vital." — *Muskegon Chronicle*

### Junior Class News

The Starlight Terrace in the Sherry-Biltmore Hotel will be enveloped in visions of "Fantasia" on May 17 when the Junior Class presents the Junior-Senior Prom. There will be dancing to the dreamy music of Ken Reeves. A wonderful and memorable evening is promised to all.

- The committees are as follows:  
 Decorations—Carol Goldberg  
 Invitations—Carol-Ann Helfont, Barbara Harrison  
 Band—Lee Martin, Tamara Bloom  
 Souvenirs—Jo-Ann Wale  
 Hostesses—Marilyn English  
 Flowers—Ann Cleveland  
 Start planning to attend the Junior-Senior Class Prom!

### Sophomore News

The sophomore class sponsored a very successful dance in the gym on Nov. 22, 1957. As a result of the participation of all classes, the profit was over \$300. The large attendance manifested true Lesley spirit and everyone had an enjoyable evening.

## Faculty News

Dr. Katherine Stains was guest speaker at the Lesley College Graduate School Association supper meeting, which was held on January 13, at 7:00 p.m. Her topic was "My Impressions on Education in Norway."

During Dr. Stain's talk she emphasized that the educational system in Norway is influenced by three important factors:

1. The physical environment of the country. The make-up of Norway, its mountains, fiords, etc., make it difficult for the people to get around. Therefore they have traveling theatres and also many museums located in sections of the country, thus letting the people have many chances for education.

2. The form of government in Norway being very democratic is another influence on education. For an example, the children are given free breakfasts and medical and dental care in the schools.

3. The cultural environment of the country. Norway has many famous authors and musicians. Norwegians are also famous for their doll-making and children's stories.

At the end of her talk Dr. Stains exemplified the cultural achievements of the people of Norway and enlightened her audience by showing them several dolls and books.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

The schools of today seem not so interested in the three R's (reading, writing, and arithmetic) as they are in the four that appear in extra-curricular activities. . . .

time they have to study various assemblies and polize the school hours youngsters reach high for sum- are lucky if they can and see names, but they have had experience in putting on plays and assemblies, and so they start this mad social whirl all over again. Then one dark day these potentially bright youngsters find that it is time for college and that their marks count more than the extra-curricular activities in which they excel.

Well, by now they can at least spell their names (both of them—sur and given) plus a few other words that they studied one night when there was no play rehearsal. Now they are college men and women (I don't know how they made it) who are vowed to dedicate the next four years of their lives to studying (ha!). Then comes the shock—college has more outside activities than high school. Back in the same rut, with one exception: they flunk out here. I admit that these are extreme cases, but they do happen, and as long as they do something is radically wrong with the modern school system.

Plays and assemblies aren't, the only stumbling blocks in the school, for sports and physical education over-shadow more important subjects such as algebra and English. Athletes are getting into colleges while good students are not. I am not against all extra-curricular activities, for in their place they can be quite beneficial, but they must be kept in their place.

Evelyn Dunne

Have you discovered the new coinbox telephone around the corner in that room next the bookstore in the basement of our office building? You should have. It's been there for the use of faculty, students and others since January 8.

**Pinnings, Engagements, Marriages**

"These lucky girls, they've caught their men, Our turn will come, when more boys get the yen!"

**PINNED**

Rhonda Tinkoff and Allan Setlow; Elaine Meisner and Sam Himmelstein; Joan Tilman and Donald Sein; Debbie Folsom and Bill Schumacher; Marcia Solberg and David Chauncey; Shelley Shapiro and Eddie Shulkin; Phyllis Bernhardt and Bobby Lerner.

**ENGAGED**

Marilyn Ginsberg and Marty Ashkan; Barbara Lamkin and George Wolkon; Hermine Frankenberger and Stanley Swimmer; Linda Prager and Arnie Lazeroff; Martha Laidlaw and Peter Wyllie; Mary Lynn and Robert Gustafson; Nancy Bruce and Bob Wood; Mitzi Zions and Phil Friedman; Nancy Morris and Sam Adams; Liz Bentley and Gordon Wilmot; Barbara Winick and Jerry Borne; Eileen Israel and Derrish Wolf; Janet B. Spinney and Winston Eugene Currier; Lois Jenkins and Warren Farrell; Martha Milan and Paul Plunkett.

**MARRIED**

Sandi Borr and Larry Badash, and Rita Escovitz and Jack Shapiro.

**Alumnae News**

Miss Cynthia Wilson, '55, is now Mrs. Paul Putnam. Cynthia and her husband are now teaching in New Salem, Mass.

Miss Paula Zolotto is now Mrs. Stuart Kaplan and is living with her husband in Palo Alto, California. Mr. Kaplan is studying law at Stanford University. She visited her parents in Boston during the holidays.

Louise Riley, '55, married during Christmas time at Boston.

Miss Alice Davis, '55, is now Mrs. Allyn West Jr. Joanne is teaching in Providence, Rhode Island, where she is now living.

Miss Maureen Goggin, '57, is engaged to Eugene Gregory McCarthy Jr. Mr. McCarthy is now completing his studies at Yale Medical School.

Miss Marguerite Mary Shamon is engaged to Luster Tardif De'any. Marguerite attended Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Miss Alice Mary Roche is engaged to Robert P. Reney.

Nancy and Bill Sanders announce their first child, Charles Gower Sanders, nine pounds, 11 ounces, 21 inches.

If you have missed the two, ten-foot art panels which for several years have brought color and interest to the inner-hall wall of the third floor of the Stebbins building, be advised that they now decorate Lesley's Carrol-Hall School at 34 Mellen Street. If this item of news comes cut late enough, that third-floor wall should now be covered with a duplicate of the bulletin board on the floor below.

**College Conferences**

Gloucester High School recently held its annual College Night which featured a panel discussion covering topics from selecting a college to counseling freshmen IN college.

Mrs. Martha B. Ackerson, admissions officer, represented Lesley College and was asked to discuss the value of subjective material in college admissions. She rated subjective material less important than the academic record, test scores and personal interview. However, she stressed that personal references, extra-curricular activities and the student's self-evaluation were all useful criteria, their importance depending on the type and size of a particular college.

The panelists were guests of the Gloucester School Department at a roast beef dinner preceding the evening's program. Miss Margaret C. Tufts, GHS Guidance Chairman, was official hostess to the group and also served as moderator of the panel discussion.

Just before Christmas vacation representatives from Lesley conducted a panel for the Future Teachers Club of Newton High School. The unwieldy topic of the afternoon was "How to get into college and what it's like once there"!

The panelists were Jane Beeten, Lois Jenkins and Joan Petraglia from Emerald Key with Jane Robertson from Student Government. Mrs. Ackerson served as moderator. The girls discussed how they chose their college, the steps leading to acceptance, and then, their impressions of the various phases of college life. Questions from the floor were answered as well as individual ones at the close of the program.

Once again Lesley may be proud of her versatile student panelists. They were spontaneous and forthright in their contributions. Each panelist gave not only information but a bit of herself to a wonderfully attentive audience of about sixty-five girls.

**Vespers**

Dr. Ernest Caverly, superintendent of Brookline Schools will be our next Vespers speaker, Thursday, February 13 at 8:00 p.m. Several years ago, Dr. Caverly received an honorary degree at Lesley College. Following Dr. Caverly's talk, there will be a social hour.

The following girls are members of the Vesper committee: Elaine Searcy, chairman; Marcia Rabstein, corresponding secretary; Judith Higgins, program and music chairman; Marjorie Weinrab, publicity chairman; Geraldine Johnson, Lois Jenkins, Marcia Solberg, Carol Zinn, and Becca Hillman. Dr. Russell Schofield is faculty advisor.

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**Student Christian**

Christmas music was the theme of the December 12 meeting of the Student Christian Association. At this time two choral groups sang for a large gathering of members. First, Christmas songs were presented by the Lesley Ellis choir, a group of eight children under the direction of Eileen Humphrey. Next on the program were our own Madrigal Singers. They sang their Christmas repertoire with the usual charm of that group.

The first meeting of the new year was held on January 10. Dr. Schofield showed a filmstrip on the Roman Catholic faith. During the presentation, Dr. Schofield encouraged discussion among the group. It was a very informative session, giving the girls an insight into Catholicism. This was the first meeting in a year which Student Christian hopes to be successful and beneficial to its members and others.

Linda Baur

**Newman Club**

The Newman Club held its luncheon January 10 in the gym. Co-chairmen for this activity were: Marie Giordano and Elizabeth Zucco. Members of their committee were: Margaret Smith, Mimi Fitzgerald, Corinne Mcnastess, Ann Neal, Helen Murphy, Barbara Shannon, Carol Scipione, Judy Hurly, Mary Lou White, Sally Foran, Marilyn Kendrick, Marcia Juliano, Maureen O'Connell, Melvina Princiotta, Sheila Cronin, Rosemary Silva, Maureen Sheehan, Trudy Murphy.

The girls did a wonderful job in preparing the sandwiches and coffee. This has been the first activity sponsored by the Newman Club this year. I am happy to report that it was very successful. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Arbuckle, our advisor, for her assistance in this project.

The past two Newman Club meetings have been highlighted with speakers. Monsignor Rossiter spoke to the girls on the Bible Background for Christmas. Father Meade spoke to us on a day in the life of a priest. These two speakers were enjoyed by the Club. While on the topic of speakers, the next meeting will be highlighted with a talk on marriage by Father Puccine.

Another Newman Club activity is coming up. The annual retreat will be held February 21 and 22 at the Mirima Retreat House in Duxbury, Mass. The cost of the weekend is \$15. If you have any questions concerning the retreat, our President, Barbara Shannon, will answer them for you. We are hoping for a large turnout at our annual retreat. How about it, girls, will we see you there?

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**Hi Kids, Any New Shows In Town?**

Last year marked the commencement of a new institution at Lesley College . . . that of a ticket-purchasing agency. This was the direct result of another new addition: Mrs. Bechhoefer, in the capacity of Dean Thurber's secretary.

You would imagine that a person with this position would certainly have enough without undertaking any additional work, but Mrs. Bechhoefer saw the need for establishing a ticket-purchasing agency here at Lesley, and did so.

Over the past year Mrs. Bechhoefer has posted news of coming dramatic productions, musicals, concerts, special exhibitions and various other worthwhile cultural events. Students wishing tickets for any of the posted events or even unposted events were to see Mrs. Bechhoefer personally. All tickets were regular price unless there was a student's discount on the production, but what convenience!

A connection between Lesley's Ticket Agency and that of the Phillip Brooks House of Harvard University has been set up, providing Lesley students with the opportunity to purchase tickets for all Harvard productions.

Since its establishment this has become an extremely popular service but also a time-consuming one. The idea was conceived to have the organization student run. This is in the process of being evolved. Student representatives from each class have been elected and they will form the nucleus of this organization. Meanwhile all tickets are still purchased through Mrs. Bechhoefer.

Why not take advantage of this service? It's a pleasant one.

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## Are You Going To Those Far Distant Places?

Are you planning to travel? Have you travelled? Are you dreaming of travelling some day? Would you like to know more about the countries outside the United States?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes", then visit the Edna Stebbins Travel Corner. The Travel Corner contains information of great variety about foreign countries, their history, geography, social life and customs, art, literature, and other information that will aid understanding of the country.

See the display case outside the Library for the type of material that the Edna Stebbins Travel Corner contains.

Some recent additions to the Travel Corner include:

- Alford, Violet, Dances of Italy.
- Champion, Selwyn, Racial Proverbs.
- Charlton, Warwick, The Second Mayflower Adventure.
- Covarrubias, Miguel, Indian Art of Mexico and Central America.
- Gough, Mary, Travel into Yesterday.
- Godden, Rumer, Mooltiki.
- Halliburton, Richard, New Worlds to Conquer.
- Hunt, R. N., Guide to Communist Jargon.
- Lin, Yutang, The Wisdom of China and India.
- Lyall, Archibald, Guide to the Languages of Europe.
- Masaryk, Thomas, The Making of a State.
- Orrizek, Dore, North Africa.
- Slaughter, Frank, The Mapmaker.
- Woytinsky, W. S., India: the Awakening Giant.
- Wright, Helen, The Great Explorers.

## Vacations . . .

With the vacation over, we come back to school with many stories of how we spent our vacations. There are so many different stories to tell and gossip to exchange, that the first day of classes or the first night in the dorm is filled with little but laughter and chatter. In between classes, that first day, is the time to find out who else is engaged, pinned, or married. Class time is for meditating on the latest bit of news.

Let the struggle to get back into the "swing" of things is slowly taking effect. The old news to much more excitement. By the third day things are pretty much back to normal. Vacation is all over. Now comes the time to wonder just where did that vacation go?

What are the different ways in which the time was passed? Was it used to its best? For every girl there will be a different answer. For many it was a time of travel—a time to see new places and do new things. Florida, New York, and the like were visited and explored. For most it was a returning to an old familiar place, perhaps accompanied by a roommate or friend who had never before been to that city or state. After such an experience, there will be ever so many tales to tell on arrival back to school.

Or perhaps the vacation was just a time of relaxation at home—a chance to catch up on "all the things I've meant to do." It might have been a book to read, or a skirt to hem, or laundry that has been piling up. There are countless things to do, plus sleeping late in the morning.

Sleeping late in the morning is the joy of a vacation. This is the chance to gain back all the sleep lost because that alarm clock has no mercy. The hour of seven AM is scarcely seen and seldom missed.

But all too soon vacation is over, bags are packed, and then the routine is resumed again. After Christmas vacation comes the period of exams. During vacation they had seemed far enough away, but once back at school they loom in the very near future. This year it is not as long a period as usual, but still as difficult, with many hour exams to study for. Well, it'll be over soon and—what do you know!—there's a long weekend ahead when again the alarm clock can be put aside.

Linda Baur

## A Little Bit Of Consideration

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" is our sacred Golden Rule, but how many of us abide by it? We've heard it said numerous times, we agree with it, and yet it really means very little to the majority of people.

In every-day life thousands of human beings are unjustly hurt by little things—remarks, insults, or just plain inconsideration for the other fellow. One's best friend may make a remark which is not appreciated. He obviously does not realize what he has said, but he has done you an injustice. You will probably forget it within a minute or two, but it may sneak up on you some time and sting a bit. Just think of how much more pleasant life would be if people would try to analyze the reactions felt by the other person.

We all have loved ones we would never deliberately try to hurt; it is impossible, however, always to spare their feelings when we do not keep that precious rule in mind. An example of this is a mother who gets a desire to call her daughter at college. She is very anxious to speak to her because they have been separated for quite some time. When the daughter answers her long-distance phone call (thinking it's from her boyfriend) she replies as she hears her mother's voice, "Oh, it's you!" Poor mother's desire is completely quenched, and her reaction is that of anger and hurt feelings. That young girl hadn't intended to hurt her mother, but because she was thinking of her own emotions, she forgot her mother had some too.

A much more serious problem and a common one in the world of today is that of divorce. If the couple involved could remember that marriage is a two way proposition, and each must be considerate of the other, the divorce rate would certainly decrease, and marriages would be much happier. Unfortunately, man and wife forget that their love must be made, established, and retained by them both. Oh, if they would only remember that Golden Rule!

The world's political problems could be diminished into little or no problems at all if each country would practice the well-known rule. No matter what the situation may be, the sole solution is "Abide By the Golden Rule".

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## NEW DORMITORY . . .

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6. The problem of interior decorating, furnishing, and arranging the common rooms and other general living areas has been the responsibility of Miss Dorothy E. Sharples, director of Lesley's art department. The floor tile, draperies, rugs, furniture, and paint-color mixtures were made especially for White Hall under her direction. Certain of the common rooms have already been designated as memorials for or by members of our Lesley family. The main lounge, for example, on the ground floor will be called the Edward Ingraham Living Room to honor the late Edward Ingraham, long a Lesley trustee and chairman of the Board of Trustees from 1947 to 1950. On this same floor, the "Beau Parlor" has been furnished by funds provided by the Lesley College Alumnae Association through individual contributions made this year and last. The study-lounge on the first residence floor will be named for Mrs. Velma Boland, wife of Mr. Frank A. K. Boland, veteran member of Lesley's Corporation. The two remaining study-lounges may later be named for Lesley people.

7. Each study-lounge has its own television set. In addition the lounges have full kitchenette facilities with refrigerators, electric stoves, and stainless steel sinks with garbage disposals. Porcelain-steel cubboards for dishes and other equipment complete the units. Each of these rooms has an electric vent-fan to remove cooking odors. Beyond the study-lounge picture windows are practical balconies fronting on Oxford Street where, in clement weather, students may take their ease.

At the north end of the building, a staircase leads to the roof, but until such time as iron guard railings have been set up there, no students will be permitted to use it—especially as a sun-deck (a most logical eventual purpose for it).

8. On the ground floor as one enters, is first, a reception office and package room on the right, student mail-boxes on the left. Beyond the interior double glass doors are, in order, a telephone booth, a coat-room, a men's room, a door to the upper floors, and, finally the Beau Parlor where one's date will wait. Separating these rooms from the general living room on the left is a sort of semi-open corridor. This has been created by two planters—the first with an upper partition of plexiglass to shield the lounge from door drafts, the second—leaving space for entrance—open above and providing a small, secluded area furnished with a davenport, easy chairs, and a desk.

The general living room with its rugs and special furniture—all made particularly for it—is illuminated by floor lamps as well as ceiling lights. The room is equipped with a baby-grand piano, a radio, and—perhaps later—a hi-fi record player. This room is divided from the main dining room by Modernfold doors which permit the opening up of the entire length of the building for dances, assemblies, or special meetings. Beyond the dining room proper is a supplementary dining alcove, closable when desired from the larger section by Modernfold doors. To the left where the building wing begins are the cafeteria steam-tables, soda fountain and other facilities. Behind them are the various kitchens and service rooms. To the far left of the wing are a coatroom, two telephone booths, and a ladies room. Next to that, on the Oxford Hall side, are the women employees' lounge and lavatories, and on the other side of the stairwell doorway, the walk-in refrigerators for the kitchen.

9. The basement of the building is mainly in the wing although it does extend beneath the supplementary dining room. It contains, besides the heating-plant area, a number of smaller and larger storage rooms, workrooms for the maintenance staff, and a control room. There is also a very large room running under the supplementary dining alcove that may be used by the glee club and the dramatic club. It is neatly finished with fluorescent lights and other services.

10. Outside White Hall, the feature most immediately attracting the observer's eye is the amphitheatre with its hardtop walks, grassed levels, and granite-faced risers. This area, it is assumed, will accommodate an audience of 300 to 400 spectators facing the terrace. At the rear of the terrace platform is a series of plate glass and aluminum doors which serve the living and dining rooms of the building. Probably during the warm weather of the spring and fall, assemblies will be held in the amphitheatre. The modern dance group and the dramatic club may present programs there, and a certain amount of sun-worshiping will doubtless go on. Beneath the concrete floor of the terrace is a grid of heating pipes to melt off snow and ice during the winter—assuring the residents of the dormitory easy access and egress to and from the Hall. The amphitheatre and the building combined to do a special kind of face lifting job to our former Everett Street entrance, shifting the old sidewalk location half a dozen feet toward Oxford Street, thus giving a new split-level approach with a short flight of stairs to reach the "campus" area. This, with additional new sidewalks and new plantings of shrubs, makes visiting alumnae and other friends feel that a modern Lesley indeed is rising. White Hall may be dedicated with a formal ceremony in February.

## GIRLS

Are you looking for summer jobs? Come in and see me about it. I may have what you want. I may not, but if I can help you I'll be glad to. Many camps, etc., are sending me their brochures already. More will come in as the season goes on and if I know what you are interested in it will help me to help you.

I also have openings for girls who want to go to the beach with a family, and I would be especially interested if you would tell me of places that you know offer good working conditions for girls and that you would recommend. I am always glad to talk to you any day except Friday.

Mrs. Benson, Oxford Hall

As late as 1945, Lesley was offering, in addition to its teacher education program, courses in merchandising and home economics. Part of the first floor of Oxford Hall was devoted to the cooking and home-making department. The top floor of the office building was given over to dressmaking, hat-and-costume designing.