

## Remember Your Valentine Today

### New Students Enter Queens This Semester

Queens was fortunate to have twelve new students to enter second semester. Two of them are boarding students and the rest are day students. They are: Edwina McDill, Sibyl Hill, Patsy Darsey, Anne Franklin, Mrs. Gladys Louise Hill, Gloria Jenkins, Evelyn Jones, Barbara Libby, Jean Seely and Mrs. Elizabeth Halt Smith.

The boarding students are: Edwina McDill is a freshman from Gastonia N. C. She is a transfer from Erskine College at Due West, S. C. She is majoring in English, and minoring in dramatics.

Sibyl Hill is a sophomore from Anderson, S. C. She is a transfer from Converse College at Spartanburg, S. C. She is a history major.

The day students are: Patsy Darsey lives at 518 Fenton Place, in Charlotte. She is a freshman transfer from U. C. U. N. C. and she is taking Home Ec, Spanish, English, and sociology.

Anne L. Franklin, a sophomore lives at 216 Middleton Drive. She is transfer from Mary Washington College at Fredericksburg, Va.

Mrs. Gladys Hill, a transfer from King's Business College, lives at 813 E. Morehead. She is taking a straight A. B. course.

Gloria Jenkins attended Geyser Business College, Columbia, S. C. She is a freshman and is taking a Pre-Medical Course. Gloria lives at Rt. 3, Concord.

Evelyn Jones, who lives at 2304 Kenmore Avenue, is a transfer from State Teachers College in Farmville, Va. Evelyn, a junior, is originally from Hampton Va.

Barbara Libby is an advanced freshman transferring from Marjorie Webster Secretarial School in Washington, D. C. She is a chemistry major. Barbara lives at 1614 Dilworth Road.

Rose McLean, who lives at 1110 Queens Road, is a transfer from W. C. U. N. C. She is majoring in Spanish in a straight A. B. course.

Mrs. Lucy Dodd Myers, of 2320 Selwyn Avenue, is a junior transfer from Armstrong Junior College.

Jean Seely is a freshman transfer from Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Jean lives at 2240 Briarwood Road.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Halt Smith lives at 420 West Boulevard. She is a sophomore, transferring from Pfeiffer Junior College at Misenheimer, N. C.

### Tea Given For Episcopalians

On Sunday, February 4, all the Episcopal students at Queens were entertained at a tea from 2:10 to 5:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Williams. The purpose of this was to get the Episcopal girls together and to organize some plans that would make them feel more at home in a Presbyterian College. The Reverend Mr. George Henry minister of Christ Church, was in charge of the meeting. Several girls were present, and plans were drawn up to have an organized group and to meet every

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### Hopes Die As Valentine Ball Is Canceled

Here lie the Hopes of the 47 Who Signed Up For The Dance

Yes, after all the rushing and planning for another dance—it lived for such a short time.

But maybe some of you don't realize what goes on behind the scenes in planning for a dance—phone calls have to be made to find an orchestra, the date set and registered on the college calendar (in this case, February 17). There have to be meetings and consultations about the decorations theme, sponsors etc. Then comes the tireless (?) job of getting girls to sign up for the dance. All of this did happen—everything was all set but the student body failed to sign up.

Elsa Turner may be seen—these days passing back to the "47" their \$1.50—with sorrowing face, as if to say—"Well, we tried but it did not go over."

So if the opportunity comes to us again, let's support it and have a grand final dance of the year.

### Dumbarton-Oaks Proposals Are Accepted At Meet Here

On Thursday night, February 1, 1945, approximately three hundred persons met in the Auditorium here at Queens to discuss the pros and cons of the Dumbarton Oaks proposals and to vote whether approval or disapproval of these proposals. The audience consisted mostly of members of the International Relations Council, but the public was invited to the meeting.

Judge John J. Parker presided over the meeting and Dr. J. R. Cunningham, president of Davidson College, presented ideas which were discussed in Cleveland, Ohio, at a similar meeting two weeks ago. Judge Bobbitt gave a brief history of the proposals and told of its purposes. He stressed the fact that America must be the leader in planning for a world peace and that without her, the peace would be impossible. The floor was then open for discussion, and then in closing the group voted its unanimous approval of the Dumbarton-Oaks proposals.

The International Relations Council of Charlotte was organized in January of 1944 with the purpose of "informing ourselves with regard to . . . what we can do to further the ideal of world organization based on law and justice." It is composed of representatives and leaders from almost every civic organization in Charlotte, and it holds monthly meetings. "At which papers will be (are) read and open forum discussions will be (are) had." Dr. Gilbert Lycan, head of the history department here at Queens, is secretary of the International Relation Council and a prominent member of the Council.

### Earle Spicer Baritone And Ballad Singer Will Appear February 16

Earle Spicer, well-known baritone and ballad singer, will present a program of English and American Songs at the college auditorium on February 16, at 8 P. M.

Mr. Spicer held 87 engagements last season and has sung for European royalty and President Roosevelt in the White House. Spoken of as "America's Foremost Ballad Singer," Mr. Spicer has sung with many leading symphonys. For three years, Mr. Spicer was radio's "Fuller Brush Man."

Mrs. Louise Nelson Phohl will accompany Mr. Spicer. The program will include: Traditional English ballad: "The Cornish Dance" arranged by Ross, "Lord Randal," arranged by Scott; "The Bashful Lover" arranged by Johnston, "Barbara Allen" arranged by Guillen; "Up from Zomerzet" arranged by Sanderson. Shakespeare and Gilbert and Sullivan, "It was a lover and his Lass" by Thomas Morley; "No More Dams I'll Make for Fish" by John Smith; Tit Willow—"The Mikado"; "When I Was A Lad," by H. M. S. Pinafore. American: "The Little Mawhee" arranged by Bartholomew "The Erie Canal" by Bacon; "The Tune the Old Cow Died On," by Norfleet; "Poor Wayfaring Stranger," by Siegmeyer and "The Wannanty Deed," by Hughes.

### Norman Cousins Entertained By English Dept.

#### Honored At Reception

On Friday afternoon, February 2, between four and five o'clock a tea was given by the heads and faculty members of the English Department in Burwell Hall. This tea was in honor of Mr. Norman Cousins, editor of *The Saturday Review of Literature*. All English majors and students of advanced English classes were invited. Miss Clare Purcell poured tea and publication editors assisted in serving.

On Friday, February 2, Norman Cousins was presented in the second of our Concert and Lecture Series. Mr. Cousins, who is editor of the *Saturday Review of Literature*, spoke on "Books As a Guide to World Affairs." He discussed the vital need for a book which will give to the public an ideal of the future world community. Such a book would of necessity be a refutation of the principles set forth in "Mein Kampf."

Following the lecture on Friday night, February 2, a formal reception was held in Burwell Hall honoring Mr. Cousins.

#### JAPAN STOLE FATS

Beating Germany is only part of our job! Japan must be crushed. Japan has stolen millions of the rich oil-producing palms and coconut groves in the South Seas. The task before us calls for tremendous collections of used cooking fat.

### Valentine's Day Had Early Origin; Interesting Customs

To most people, Valentine's Day is just another day to be enjoyed by giggling junior high schoolers. But behind this day are several interesting customs practiced long ago by every eligible maid. Saint Valentine, an ancient church personage, lived during the first century and was put to death on February 14, 1270. Contrary to popular belief, however, Valentine's Day has little or no connection with saints.

In olden days, boys and girls would draw names the owners of which were to be their Valentines. People thought this served as an omen that these couples would someday marry. There was also an exchange of presents on that day. It was long believed that on Valentine's Day birds chose their mates. At one time it was thought that the custom of drawing names was merely all that was left of a custom practiced by the Roman Church in selecting patrons for the next year. But it was really practiced in the houses of English nobility as early as 1476.

There were several superstitions believed which related to this festive day. Girls often plucked five bay leaves, pinning one to

each corner of their pillow and one in the center of the pillow. If they dreamed of their sweetheart, they were supposed to marry within a year. Others boiled an egg hard, took out the yolk, and filled it with salt. Before going to bed that night, the girl ate the egg, and all, without speaking or drinking. It was a common belief that if a girl wrote the names of her lovers on pieces of paper, rolled them up in clay, and put them into water, the first one that rose was her Valentine. And practically everyone believed that the first person of the opposite sex seen on Valentine's Day was the chosen one. An old English ballad told girls to pray cross-legged to Saint Valentine for good luck.

Although all these beliefs have long since passed out of existence, there is still a certain amount of sentiment associated with that day. In some of the lower grades in school, a little girl's popularity is often determined by the number of Valentines she receives from bashful admirers. And so we see that even with the great change in customs, the ideas and sentimentality remain the same.

### Queens Accepts A Challenge Given At Vesper Service

On February 4 at Sunday evening Vespers, the girls of Queens received a challenge—a challenge to realize the problems of today's world and to face them as Christian students should.

This challenge was brought by Jim Alexander, George Apperson, Neut Spencer, and Ralph Smith of Davidson College.

Jim Alexander introduced the speakers and told the purpose of the program. Ralph Smith created an atmosphere of quiet reverence by singing "Abide With Me."

After pointing out the important part Christian students are playing in solving the problems of today and will play in molding the world of the future, the three speakers chose Faith, Hope, and Love as the three foremost requisites in preparation for accepting this challenge. George Apperson charged us to a greater and more active faith; Jim Alexander spurred us on to a renewed hope in the future and the world in which we live; and Neut Spencer challenged us to seek a deeper and truer love of God and our fellow men.

Queens would like to accept this challenge and in doing so, line herself up with the armies of other Christian students throughout the world who have accepted the task of working and praying and fighting together for the betterment of tomorrow's world.

WAR REQUIRES USED FATS  
Most of the essential supplies of war require fats and oils in their manufacture and operation. Turn used fat over to the meat dealer, and collect four cents and two red ration points a pound.

### Kimbrough Is The Final Of Series

Those who followed the adventures of the lively heroines in *Our Hearts Were Young and Gay* and *We Followed Our Hearts to Hollywood* need no introduction to Emily Kimbrough, companions of the inimitable Cornelia Otis Skinner. The announcement that she is coming in place of Dorothy Crawford, monologist, on April 10, can bring us nothing but pleasure.

Emily Kimbrough was born in Muncie, Indiana. She was formally the editor of *Fashions of the Hour*, and later, the managing editor of *Ladies Home Journal*. She resigned this position to become the proud mother of twins, which she calls "A" and "B". She is co-author of two very popular books and is also distinguished as a lecturer.

Cornelia Otis Skinner, her best friend had this to say of her in *Vogue Magazine*: "She is amusing for a number of reasons, for her wit which is as sparkling as it is kind, for her point of view which is blessed with a quality of and freshness and for the amusing things which are always happening to her. These incidents extraordinary which continually crop up in her daily life lose nothing through the relating of them. One meets few people who have made a success of themselves and live graciously, unconsciously and amusingly. Such a one is Emily Kimbrough."

We can indeed, anticipate with pleasure this, the fifth in our series of concerts and lectures.

Suicide statistics for Chicago reveal that greater numbers of slender people commit suicide in cold and unsettled weather than robust ones; stout people choose hot weather.