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— From The Editor —

By popular election, you, the students of Queens College, have chosen a new Editor-in-chief to fill the post vacated by Jean Torrence. Several other changes in the staff have been made also, but there will be no change in our policy. In the past, "Queens Blues" has been a paper for you, the members of the Queens family. It will continue to be just that.

Last year's staff did a wonderful job. We shall strive to keep up their high standard and to provide you with all of the news of the Queen's campus—social, academic, religious, and personal. To make our work a success we need your suggestions and we want to hear any complaints or criticisms you may have. Let's make this a year for the "Blues" and for Queens College.

Food And Peace Go Together

Edwina McDill

Did you know that six weeks after the liberation of Singapore twenty per-cent of all deaths were caused by beriberi? And within ten months of Manila's release from Japanese invaders 1,211 died of starvation, while another 2,684 died of beriberi. But starvation is not limited only to direct casualties of World War II; for today one-half of the world is starving, and one-fourth of the remaining half is constantly hungry.

The Second World War has been blotted deliberately or unconsciously from the American mind. You say, "Things are different now."

The formal declaration of war is over, if that is what you mean. But undeclared war is still raging in countries like India, Palestine, and even South America under the heading "skirmishes" or "political riots."

There is little trust among nations when their people are hungry. And each nation has forgotten that he is his brother's keeper.

After the First World War gnawing hunger drove people into the revolting practice of cannibalism; several cases were uncovered in civilized countries, such as: Austria and Germany. However, the world has not been quiet long enough to discover to what limits starving people have already gone today.

But Mr. Clark Garber, superintendent of Eskimo education and medical relief in Alaska, tells of a situation equally appalling to the First World War cannibalism. In Alaska "uncivilized Eskimo mothers smother their female babies immediately after birth during a famine." The child's mouth is stuffed with grass, and she is left in the wilderness to die of suffocation or exposure. To the Eskimo this seems the humane thing to do because many have never heard of the Christian doctrine. And when it comes to a slow death by hunger or a quicker death that would shorten agonizing pain, who are we to judge?

Nevertheless, we do know as Dr. Pearan, an outstanding physician in New York, stated at the first meeting of the World Health Organization:

"Hunger and malnutrition stunt the bodies and warp the minds of a large part of the world's population."

And Dr. Sherman of the department of chemistry at Columbia University declared: "... the higher the proportion of protective foods, the lower the percentage of failure in the preservation of the characteristics of youth."

We are the youth of America and of the world. Our desire is for stronger and healthier bodies, longevity of life, as well as for purer government toward the good of people. Food stands behind these goals. The outcome of this famine will be branded upon our generation. We are the citizens of the immediate tomorrow; the responsibility of world famine is upon us as individuals.

When people go hungry, hate and mistrust are bred in their hearts. There can be no brotherhood among nations where those feelings exist. Only by a loving interest in the "World" can the seers of war be washed from the mind's eye and hate be cleansed from the heart.

We must listen to the cry throughout the world and support them for all to hear. Send money to CARE and WHO and other organizations that are doing something to relieve world distress and disorder. A few dollars will pinch your pocketbook a great deal less now, than the mindless faces of a starved generation will crush your conscience later.

Give to build a better world for food and peace do go hand in hand.

Lines By Lillums

Ye scribe wants it known that these are merely passing thoughts of a passer-by. It is written with the sincere hope that none of the English department will become alarmed or suffer undue headaches over the lack or misplacement of commas, paragraphs, and the like . . . It is merely an outlet of inhibitions so we'll call it an escape mechanism.

Word has come to us that the brother-sister relationships between Davidson and ye alma mater are being improved. From the look of Burwell Hall on Saturday nights we'd say this was a verified fact . . . Our new freshmen must have impressed them.

Mr. Boggs appeared in his Psychology of the Christian Religion class red-faced and frustrated one day last week. He quickly made the statement that he was no flirt. On his way to class someone behind him had yelled to a girl in front of him and said "Hi Butch!" The girl turned to Mr. Boggs and said "Hello!" . . . what was that we said about uninhibited persons?

It did our heart good (Miss Tillett's, too) to see the enthusiastic reception of Mr. Gurney who recently appeared on our concert and lecture series. Even though it may not have come up to the standards of the music department (and so we hear!) it proved to be an evening of delightful entertainment for the students.

Queens students were red-faced and embarrassed when Davidson invaded our lovely portals on Saturday night after the game expecting an "open house" with food and entertainment. The only thing that was open was Burwell Hall and it wasn't exactly prepared for the occasion. (Not even enough sofas!) . . . Yes, brothers, we sincerely regret that you were misinformed. We'll be more sisterly about it next time.

There was one interesting incident that we heard in connection with the "open house" that we didn't have. One girl went to the "Y" store with her date to get something to drink. The Davidson lad thought Queens was being benevolent and giving the drinks away so he just said "thank you" and walked away with the cokes. At any rate (expense, that is), we're glad they have kind thoughts about us sometimes . . .

The Boarding students are most thankful to have the "Y" store open on week nights. There's nothing like something to eat to lift the spirits that an hour or so of attempted study brings on. Let's cooperate with the kind souls who are running it for us and keep the place clean.

We're late to press already so this is all for now—more next time . . .

Exam Time Draws Near

Now that is a most depressing thought. It seems that we never have a free minute even now when we are only making feeble efforts to get up our daily work, and have to realize that the day is coming when we are expected to have this vast collection of information all worked into a logical body of knowledge—well, it's just a little too much.

Yet this, as we will all admit in our noble moments, is the time to think those depressing thoughts. If we would take a few extra minutes in each study session to review old notes and think of the connection between the facts that we must master for the next lecture and those that we have already learned (?), then a final review would be a more pleasant task.

We may pass—'tis indeed quite possible, but we will never really learn much in school unless we keep up and ahead with our daily work. It is a hard goal we are setting, but it is the only one we should consider worthy of college students in a world that is crying for well trained and disciplined minds.

Faculty Is Entertained

On October third at 2627 Selwyn Avenue the Home Management girls entertained the faculty of Queens College at a tea. The living room was decorated with mixed flowers and in the dining room a color scheme of green and white was used.

The hostesses for the occasion were Mabel Ruth Mundy and Ann Teague.

Fraternity Taps Three

On Wednesday morning, October 1, Alpha Kappa Gamma held its first tapping service of the new semester. In an impressive ceremony the seven senior members, wearing black caps and gowns, tapped one senior, Buford Bobbitt, vice president of Student Government, representing Day Student Council, and two juniors, Emily Kimrey and Cornelia Ditto. Emily Kimrey of Sanford, N. C., is now serving as a member of Honor Council and was Co-chairman of the new counsellor system inaugurated this year on Queens campus. Cornelia Ditto of Charlotte is Day Student Vice President of S. C. A. Alpha Kappa Gamma is the honorary leadership organization whose motto is "Leadership in Womanly Service" and now has nine student members and two faculty members, Miss Tillett and Miss Taylor.

During the weekend of the 18th Alpha Kappa Gamma will act as hostess at the regular annual convention and it is hoped that many new plans and ideas will be gained from the convention.

IF I HAD KNOWN

If I had known what trouble you were bearing;
 What griefs were in the silence of your face;
 I would have been more gentle, and more caring,
 And tried to give you gladness for a space.
 I would have brought more warmth into the place,
 I I had known.

If I had known what thoughts despairing drew you;
 (Why do we never try to understand?)
 I would have lent a little friendship to you,
 And slipped my hand within your hand,
 And made you stay more pleasant in the land,
 If I had known.

—M. C. Davies.

Social Calendar

Saturday, October 18, 19
 Miss Hatcher's Wedding
 Alpha Kappa Gamma — Regional meeting Oct. 18, 19.
 Regional Meeting of Alpha Iota Oct. 18-Oct. 19, 1947
 Junior Class giving party for Freshmen

Tuesday, October 21, 1947
 Alumnae Open House

Friday, October 24, 1947
 Meeting of the Mental Hygiene Society in the auditorium at 8 P. M.

Saturday, October 25, 1947
 First week-end for freshmen
 Alumnae open house for High School Seniors.
 Alpha Delta Pi—Function

Friday, October 31, 1947
 Halloween party.

Monday, November 3, 1947
 Rush Week

Personality Girl Of The Week

Our personality girl of the week is the Sunshine Girl on campus. She is none other than the friendly girl with the Ipana smile, Maud Dickson. If anyone could work as a substitute for a neon sign Maud could with her sunny disposition.

Maud has many lovable mannerisms that endear her to all of us. She always speaks with a cheery "hello" and a big smile. Conversation with Maudie is accompanied by peculiar gestures of her left hand in a circular motion. This always gives that added touch to Maud's conversation. One of Maudie's special little tricks is her "nightie, nightie, sleep tightie." This also is accompanied by a little gesture of rubbing the fingers in a waving motion.

There is never a dark day on Maudie's calendar, or if there is one never knows it. She may confide in a disappointed tone that something went wrong but she will end with a smile and an optimistic note as though she were cheering you rather than needing the cheer herself. Maud is always loads of fun; whatever goes on she seems to have a tremendously good time, and her enthusiasm and infectious good humor cause everyone else to be happy too.

Maudie is also a girl with a sterling character. She can always be relied upon to do her part in any project. She is, in addition to all her many other lovable traits, a very responsible girl.

Maud is the composite of all the little traits that go to make her a personality-plus girl.

Camera Club

The Camera Club enthusiastically anticipates a new start this year with a lot of new members from the college campus. Any one interested in joining should see Jane Farmer or Helen Guthrie.

The club was organized last year with Dr. Robertson as faculty advisor. The officers were as follows:

Jane Farmer President
 Helen Guthrie .. Vice President
 Marion Fant Secretary
 Edwina McDill Treasurer