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Where should the scholar live? In solitude, or in society? In the green stillness of the country, where he can hear the heart of Nature beat, or in the dark, gray town, where he can hear and feel the throbbing heart of man? I will make answer for him, and say, in the dark, gray town.

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This issue of BOSTONIA contains many items of interest to all graduates of the University. We call special attention to the President’s Page, the announcement by Alumni-Secretary Mason regarding the Commencement Program and the detailed account of the courses in the coming Summer Session.

President Marsh in his communication reinforces the appeal of Mr. Mason to the Alumni to make these the most notable commencement exercises in the history of the University. The change of place from Symphony Hall to the great auditorium of the Arena indicates most strikingly the high expectation of those who are planning the program of the week.

Those who in the past have faithfully attended the annual “Convocation” meeting will note with interest the First All-University Alumni Dinner on the Saturday evening preceding Commencement. A notable feature of the day will be the fiftieth anniversary of the class of 1877; to the alumni of the College of Liberal Arts this event is of special interest because the graduating class of 1877 includes the first class graduated from the College of Liberal Arts. Several of the professional schools had graduated classes earlier than 1877.

The establishment of the Boston University Alumni Magazine has made necessary an alignment of the subjects to be covered by BOSTONIA and the new Alumni Magazine. By agreement between the Editors all strictly alumni news, including appointments, marriages, deaths, class reunions, will appear exclusively in the Alumni Magazine. BOSTONIA feels keen regret in omitting these interesting items but finds some compensation in the larger amount of space thus liberated for the great volume of general University and departmental news which it has hitherto been impossible to publish.

The Summer Session of Boston University is becoming each year of increasing importance. The attendance is constantly growing and reached last summer the impressive enrolment of 1359, with excellent prospects of continued growth this year. Many students from other universities are now coming to Boston University for the Summer Session; in increasing numbers, also, students of our own University are finding it possible to complete their degree requirements in time to secure their diploma at the close of the session in August, thus facilitating the securing of a professional position in the following September.
THE PRESIDENT’S PAGE

Dear Fellow Alumni:

The one thing that is engaging our attention at the present moment, so far as the alumni are concerned, is the plan for the big reunion in connection with Commencement in June—June 11, 12 and 13.

I saw an editorial in the Boston Herald the other morning entitled, “The Mystery of the Man Who Never Comes Back.” It dealt with a man who had graduated from an eastern college in 1861, and who had then moved to Iowa. He died the other day. From the point of view of his Alma Mater it was sad, almost tragically sad, that he never returned to his university from the day of his graduation. The sweetest memories of our life are: first, those that cluster around our childhood homes; and second, those that cluster around our college and university days. The person who does not keep green these memories is impoverishing his own emotional life. In other words, the graduate of Boston University, from whatever Department, who does not come back once in a while, is to be pitied. He is missing so much of the worth-while out of life. The greatest pity of it is that generally he does not know how much he is missing.

Let me appeal to the members of our Alumni in and around Boston to keep a lively interest in the University by frequent attendance upon University affairs. Let me urge those who are further removed to visit the University on every possible occasion. Let me urge upon all of our Alumni to attend Commencement Exercises this year. Especially, come to the Reunion Banquet on Saturday evening, June 11, and if at all possible attend the Baccalaureate service on Sunday afternoon, June 12, and the Commencement Exercises on Monday morning, June 13.

In order that all of the Alumni who are desirous of attending the Commencement Exercises may have a chance to do so, we are going to hold the Commencement Exercises in the Boston Arena. We have outgrown Symphony Hall, which seats only 2600. We are now going into the Arena, which seats 13,000.

Assuring you that I appreciate every opportunity for acquaintanceship with the Alumni of dear old B. U., I am

Cordially yours,

DANIEL L. MARSH, President.
ALUMNI from every department and from every section of the country are planning to attend the First Big All-University Alumni Reunion in June. Already letters have been received from graduates living in Mexico, Canada, California, Minnesota, Indiana, Ohio and New York stating that they are planning to be back in Boston for this Reunion.

This year’s Commencement Program begins on Saturday, June 11. Already departments and classes are planning for departmental or class reunions to be held sometime during the day. The class of 1877 which celebrates its fiftieth anniversary has arranged an elaborate program. The five and ten year classes are planning special programs for their reunions. Many of these groups have arranged for class costumes which will designate the year of graduation.

In the evening the alumni of all departments will gather at the Boston Arena for the First All-University Alumni Dinner. During the dinner there will be music and singing. At this meeting classes will be seated together in order to stimulate class cheering and singing.

After the dinner the report of the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association will be given. This will be followed by the induction of the Senior Class into the new Alumni Association. Then comes more entertainment, cheering, singing and a few short speeches.

On Sunday, June 12, the annual Baccalaureate Service will be held in Boston Symphony Hall. This means the usual colorful academic procession in which the class of 1877 (the fiftieth anniversary class) and the class of 1902 (the twenty-fifth year class) will have honored places.

Monday June 13, is Commencement Day. This year Commencement will be held in the Boston Arena. At this service about 1100 seniors will receive degrees.

In the evening of Commencement Day, alumni, friends and faculty will assemble at Symphony Hall for the traditional “Pops Concert.” This year’s “Pops” will be different. There will be longer visitation periods, better music, more cheering, and more fun than usual. The “Pops” Committee will provide novelties for everybody.

It is expected that two to three thousand loyal Boston University graduates will be in “old Boston-town” to participate in this year’s Reunion Program. There is no better place to renew old friendships and to reminisce about the “good old days” than at Boston University this June.

ROBERT G. MASON, Alumni Secretary.

The Men’s Glee Club of Boston University completed a very successful week in January at the Metropolitan Theatre, Boston. Their concerts met with such marked approval that they at once received numerous invitations to appear in other places. One of the earliest of the appointments which they thus filled was at the Woburn Congregational Church on Friday evening, January 14, where they gave a concert under the auspices of the Mothers’ Club of the church. Later appearances were at the Franklin Square House, Boston, February 8; the Washington Street Baptist Church in Lynn, February 13; and at Symphony Hall, February 24, in the annual intercollegiate glee club concert.

At the 1926 National College Press Congress at Urbana, Ill., awards of merit were given to three student publications of Boston University: the “Boston University News,” a newspaper conducted by the students in journalism; “The Beacon,” a literary magazine; “The Beanpot,” a comic monthly.
President Daniel L. Marsh announced in March a recent action by the Trustees of the University establishing advisory councils of the several departments of the University. The members of the newly constituted councils will act as visitors and will be available in an advisory capacity to cooperate with the standing committees of the University trustees for the various departments. The council, as thus far announced, consists of the following: for the College of Business Administration, Clarence W. Barron, W. Irving Bullard, Victor M. Cutler, Louis J. Hunter, Patrick A. O'Connell; for the College of Practical Arts and Letters, John R. Gregg, Mrs. F. L. Higginson, Mrs. William H. Schofield; for the School of Theology, Hon. John L. Harvey, H. Heustis Newton, Judge Robert F. Raymond, E. T. Trefethan; for the School of Law, Hon. Jay R. Benton, Justice George A. Flynn, Reginald Foster, Damon E. Hall, Justice David A. Lourie, Fletcher Ranney, Frederick G. Katzmann; for the School of Medicine Dr. Horace D. Arnold, Dr. Walter P. Bowers, Dr. James S. Stone; for the School of Education, Dr. Richard Cabot, A. Lincoln Filene, Miss Mary McSkimmon, James Phinney Munroe; for the School of Religious Education and Social Service, Rev. Charles F. Boss, Jr., F. N. Bridgham, Dr. J. Kirkwood Craig, Miss Caroline A. Fox, Henry W. Hight, Mrs. Harry Johnson, Rev. J. Quinter Miller; for the Graduate School, Professor Eliza H. Kendrick, Professor George H. Parker.

Three men distinguished in their fields of activity have been added to the board of trustees of Boston University: Rt. Rev. Charles Lewis Slattery, D.D., bishop coadjutor of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts; Gaspar G. Bacon, member of the Massachusetts senate and prominent Boston lawyer; and Percy E. Woodward, Boston business man and president and a director of the Waldorf System, Inc.

Bishop Slattery is one of the most widely-known churchmen in New England. He is an overseer of Harvard University, a trustee of Wellesley College, and has lectured in numerous universities and schools of divinity.

Senator Bacon, a graduate of Harvard and an authority on the United States Constitution, has recently completed the first of an annual series of lectures at Boston University College of Liberal Arts under a lectureship fund established by his mother, Mrs. Robert Bacon of New York, for the study of the Constitution.

Mr. Woodward has built up the Waldorf System, Inc., from its inception until now it is one of the greatest lunchroom chains in the country, operating in scores of cities. He is a trustee of no other educational institution.

The University Year Book, now in press, will contain several novel features. The list of names will include all students in residence during the present academic year but the program of courses will be that announced in the various departmental catalogues for the coming year 1927-28. Statistics will be given regarding colleges and universities previously attended by the faculty and the students before becoming connected with Boston University. A number of valuable items of general information will be included. In addition to the University charter which has appeared in former issues the by-laws of the corporation will be appended as a new feature. The registration statistics show a gross total, including enrolment in extra-mural courses, of 15,529 and a net total of 13,830 after the exclusion of all names registered in more than one department. Specifically, the gross and net registration in the various schools and colleges is as follows: the College of Liberal Arts—1337 (907); College and Extension Courses—1330 (1104); the College of Business Administration—4690 (4179); the College of Practical Arts and Letters—931 (909); the School of Theology—353 (274); the School of Law—654 (654) the School of Medicine—209 (209); the School of Educa-
tion—1839 (1569); the School of Religious Education and Social Service—588 (409); the Graduate School—560 (509); Summer Session of 1926—1359 (1359); Extra-Mural Courses—1679 (1658); giving a total of 15,529 (13,830). The net total of 13,830 is made up of 6505 men and 7325 women.

Officers of the senior classes in all the departments of the University have endorsed a plan of life insurance to benefit the endowment funds of the University. Under the project, seniors who wish to do so may participate in a specially devised life insurance policy plan whereby they may benefit both themselves and the endowment campaign of the University. The policy to be used is one of $1000, of which $100 is assigned to the University and the other $900 is assignable, like any insurance, to any desired beneficiary. At the end of eleven years the $100 is to be paid to the University; the student’s life has, in the meantime, been insured for $900. The plan is similar to one that has been operated very successfully at several American universities. In a letter to the seniors, thanking them for their action, President Marsh declares that “the class of 1927 is making history for Boston University. It is one of the biggest single things that has ever been done for the University.”

Josephine Daskam Bacon was the guest of the Women Graduates’ Club of the University Wednesday evening, April 6, when she read from her own works in Jacob Sleeper Hall. The occasion was the annual author’s reading of the Boston University Women Graduates’ Club. She was introduced by Dr. Dallas Lore Sharp. With the reading there was given a program of music in which Mrs. M. H. Gulesian played two selections and Madame Olga Azierino, formerly of the Moscow Royal Opera, sang three compositions of Mrs. Gulesian’s. Following the reading there was an informal reception to Mrs. Bacon. The list of patrons and patronesses included many prominent names; heading the list was Mrs. Calvin Coolidge who is the holder of an honorary degree from Boston University. Other names on the list were:

Miss Katherine Lee Bates, Professor Charles T. Copeland, Reverend and Mrs. Samuel M. Crothers, Mrs. Margaret Deland, Mr. Denis A. McCarthy, Professor and Mrs. Dallas Lore Sharp, Mrs. Cynthia E. Hollis Andrew, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Bliss, Mrs. Borden Parker Bowne, Miss Amy Sherman Bridgman, Miss Maude E. Butters, Miss Ruth L. S. Child, Mr. and Mrs. Myron H. Clark, Miss Tessie N. Connelly, Mrs. Emily Hall Cook, Mrs. Robert Dunkle, Professor and Mrs. Charles E. Fay, Dr. and Mrs. Everett O. Fisk, Mrs. James O. Foss, Dr. and Mrs. George B. Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clifford Gallagher, Dr. Clara E. Gary, Mrs. Joel E. Goldthwait, Judge and Mrs. John E. Hannigan, Mrs. George E. Henry, Mrs. William E. Huntington, Professor Eliza Hall Kendrick, Mrs. Thomas Bond Lindsay, President and Mrs. Daniel L. Marsh, Miss A. Marion Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Nickerson, Mrs. Louella E. Nims, Mrs. Charles Parkhurst, Sr., Miss Hazel M. Purnort, Miss Amelia M. Ross, Mrs. Sarah Pomeroy Rugg, Mrs. Carl L. Schrader, Miss Grace E. W. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt M. Taylor, Miss Ethel L. Thayer, Miss Beatrice Woodman.


Dr. Warren is today the sole surviving charter member of the Corporations of Boston University, Wellesley College, the New England Conservatory of Music, and the only living member of the first faculties of Boston Theological Seminary, Martin Mission Institute of Germany, and of Boston University.

President Marsh contributed to Zion’s Herald of March 16 an account of a call which he made on Dr. Warren on his birthday. Dr. Marsh reports Dr. Warren as not only “entertainingly reminiscent of the past but also keenly interested in the problems of the present.” The conversation turned on the remarkably strong faculty which Dr. Warren assembled at the opening of the University. Among the names to which
reference was made were: Augustus Howe Buck, Borden P. Bowne, Alexander Graham Bell, and Henry C. Sheldon.

Dean Lucy Jenkins Franklin's addresses since the last issue of BOSTONIA include appointments at the following places: Morgan Memorial; Concord, N. H., College Club; Gleasondale Woman's Club; Twentieth Century Club; St. Mark's Church, Brookline; Chicago University Alumni Association of Boston; Church of the Messiah, Boston; Malden High School; New England Alumni Association of Ohio Wesleyan University; Cantabrigia Club of Cambridge; Wellesley Hills.

Dr. Dallas Lore Sharp is giving a series of eight lectures in the College and Extension Courses under the general title "The Business of Writing." The lectures began on Monday, April 4, and will continue on succeeding Mondays for seven weeks thereafter from five to six in the afternoon.

President Marsh attended in January the mid-winter gathering in Chicago of the alumni of his Alma Mater, Northwestern University. He also took part in sessions of the board of directors of the Northwestern Alumni Association.

THE SUMMER SESSION

With a faculty of 95, of whom 22 will be visiting professors from other institutions, and with a curriculum of 200 courses, the thirteenth annual summer session of the University will open on July 5 and extend through August 13. Courses will be offered in eight departments of the university, including the Graduate School, and an unusually large number of courses of interest to teachers has been arranged.

Other departments of the university offering courses will be the College of Liberal Arts, the College of Business Administration, the College of Practical Arts and Letters, the School of Education, the School of Theology, and the School of Religious Education and Social Service; as usual the Anne L. Page Memorial Summer School at Wellesley will be affiliated with the Boston University summer session. In the Page Memorial curriculum will be nursery school, kindergarten and primary courses for teachers and supervisors. The School of Law and the art department will offer no courses in the summer session.

Approximately 100 of the 200 courses will be offered under the auspices of the College of Liberal Arts and the Graduate School. An unusually large registration is indicated.

Among the faculty members from other institutions who will join the Boston University summer session faculty are: Professor Earl A. Aldrich of Tufts College, English; Bernice Hartley Bailey of Sioux City Normal School, La., education; Harry C. Barber of Charlestown High School, education; and Edward R. Bartlett of DePauw University, religious education.

Others are Elizabeth M. Collins of Smith College, education; Lelah Mae Crabbs of Merrill-Palmer School, Detroit, education; Professor William B. Davis of University of Kansas, history; Edward J. Eaton of South Youngstown high school, Youngstown, Ohio, education; Professor Mary J. Garber of Smith College, Spoken English; Professor Herrick H. Greenleaf of DePauw University, mathematics; Professor William G. Hennessy of the University of New Hampshire, English; Earl A. Higbie, president of Eastern South Dakota state teachers' college, education; Professor Homer Louis Humke of Evansville College, education; J. Philip Mason of George Washington University, chemistry; John W. Miller of Williams College, philosophy; Professor William T. Morgan of Indiana University, history; Nellie E. Powers of the Boston special class center for girls, education; Raymond C. Robinson of Wellesley College, music; Professor James W. Searson of the University of Nebraska, education; Albert C. Sherman, Jr., of the Conservatory of Music, music; Mary R. Thomas of Norcross School, Boston, education; and John M. Williams, Amherst College, English.
Up to the present time the only scholarships and fellowships available for students in the Graduate School have been a few awarded by the faculties of the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Theology, and these awards are made only to graduates of those departments. There are two Jacob Sleeper Fellowships. These are for men and were established in 1889 by the Trustees in honor of Jacob Sleeper, one of the original corporators of the University. One of them is awarded annually "yielding five hundred dollars per annum, to be filled on nomination of the Faculty of the School of Theology. Following his appointment the Fellow is required to matriculate in the Graduate School and arrange preliminary plans of work. It is available in Boston, Europe, Egypt, Palestine, or elsewhere, as the Faculty may determine." The other "is open to graduates of the College of Liberal Arts and is filled on nomination made by the Faculty of the College. Matriculation in the Graduate School must either precede or immediately follow the appointment as Fellow. The stipend is seven hundred and fifty dollars a year. Appointments are made twice in three years."

The College of Liberal Arts also has control of the Professor Augustus Howe Buck Educational Fund of one hundred thousand dollars donated in 1916. The income is used "to enable young men of unusual promise, but with insufficient means, to receive a very much more thorough education than they could otherwise obtain. "Appointments are made to undergraduates and may be extended for graduate work; "also, if the career chosen warrants, through one or two years of further study or travel." The amount assigned varies, but is large and is intended to meet the incumbent's expenses.

In addition to these fellowships for men the College of Liberal Arts has a fund to assist women,—the Ada Draper Fund established in 1888 by the will of Ada Augusta Draper,—the income of which is to be used "to establish scholarships, and to enable the most meritorious and needy female students to be sent to Europe after graduation to complete their studies."

These three admirable funds—the Jacob Sleeper, the Augustus Howe Buck, and the Ada Draper, are, however, only available for graduates of our own School of Theology or College of Liberal Arts. Every year the Dean of the Graduate School receives inquiries from graduates of other institutions concerning the possibility of financial assistance. These come from all parts of the United States and from foreign countries. Many of these students we should be glad to encourage to come to Boston University, but we have had to tell them that the Graduate School had no scholarships except a few for graduates of other departments of the University. For the coming academic year, however, the Trustees have established a number of Trustee Scholarships for the Graduate School. These are intended to assist needy students of outstanding intellectual ability in continuing their studies in the years immediately following their graduation from college. It is always an advantage to a student to be able to carry on his studies with continuity; although as a graduate he may well combine some part-time teaching position with his graduate courses. The new Trustee Scholarships are open to both men and women and are designed to meet one-half of the charges for tuition. We hope thus to bring to the Graduate School a number of desirable students who could not otherwise afford to come and so offer them the advantages of studying here in Boston—advantages often overlooked by those who have lived here all their lives.
The first lecture in the course under the recently established Bacon Lectureship on the Constitution of the United States was given in Jacob Sleeper Hall, Monday morning, March 21. Dean William M. Warren of the College of Liberal Arts presided. Dean Homer Albers of the School of Law spoke briefly, and President Daniel L. Marsh introduced the speaker, Senator Bacon. Mrs. Robert Bacon, formerly of Boston, but now of New York, recently gave to the University a fund of $10,000 for the establishment of a special lectureship on the Federal Constitution. The lectures for the present year were given by Senator Caspar G. Bacon, son of Mrs. Robert Bacon. Mr. Bacon is a graduate of Harvard University and a prominent Boston lawyer.

The dates and subjects of the six lectures were: March 21, “The Constitutional Convention of 1787”; March 23, “The Four Cornerstones of the Constitution”; March 26, “Our Dual Form of Government”; March 28, “What the Constitution Means to the Citizen”; March 30, “The Balance Wheel of the Constitution”; April 1, “The Dangers of Representative Government.” The lectures were open to all students of the University and, so far as accommodations permitted to the general public. Seven prizes were offered for the best “home quiz papers” submitted by students before April 30, and dealing with the answers to a series of six questions submitted in advance. The judges of the contest were: Professor Frederick A. Cleveland of the College of Liberal Arts, Professor Hugh W. Babb of the College of Business Administration and Professor Harold M. Bowman of the School of Law.

The lectures on the Bacon Foundation will be delivered annually and will later appear in printed form, thus becoming accessible to the general public.

At a meeting of the Alumni Council of Epsilon Chapter, Boston University Convocation, Tuesday evening, March 22, in the College of Liberal Arts building, composed of the chapter officers and representatives of the classes graduated from the College of Liberal Arts, and empowered by the constitution of Epsilon Chapter to conduct the business of the corporation in such an annual meeting, Walter I. Chapman, ’01, president of Epsilon Chapter and its representative on the executive committee of the proposed General Alumni Association of Boston University, and Ralph W. Taylor, secretary of the latter committee and of the B. U. Convocation, reported the recommendations so far framed for the evolution of the new association.

After full and free discussion, the Council voted to endorse the organization of the General Alumni Association as so far planned and to empower the general officers of Epsilon Chapter to act for it in the further evolution of the new association. The vote was taken by roll-call of officers and class representatives. Five votes were withheld, twenty-one were for approval. No dissenting vote was cast. It was then voted to instruct the nominating committee to nominate for re-election all present officers of Epsilon Chapter whose terms of office expire this year, as suggested in a communication from the secretary of the Executive Committee, so that the official body which has so far acted for the chapters of the convocation in the re-organization of the alumni might be continued until its completion and to present the reasons for this action to the electorate.

Recent appointments include Ralph A. Burns as lecturer in Secondary Education. He succeeds Morgan L. Coombs who goes to the State Department of Education of Virginia at Richmond. In the absence of Professor Warren O. Ault who is conducting research in England under a Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, Donald M. Greer has been added to the faculty of History. He has recently returned from five years of study at the University of Paris from which institution he received the Doctor’s degree last June. Professor E. Charlton Black has been obliged, through serious illness, to relinquish his work in English for the balance of the year. Professor Black
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plans to sail for Scotland in April; after a stay of several weeks there he will return to Canada where he proposes to rest and recuperate on his estate in Ontario. His absence has necessitated an addition to the English staff. Mr. John M. Williams, a former Rhodes Scholar from Illinois, has been appointed instructor in English. Mr. Williams has taught at the University of North Carolina and at Amherst College and has carried on graduate work in the Harvard Graduate School.

Among the recent appointments to a Professor Augustus Howe Buck scholarship in the College of Liberal Arts is Walter J. Moberg of Dorchester. Mr. Moberg has made a remarkable record both in the Dorchester High School and in his freshman year at Boston University. During all his studies at the University he has thus far received no academic degree lower than "A". He made the same distinguished record during his entire high school course. He plans to become a teacher. In addition to Mr. Moberg there are three Augustus Howe Buck scholars in the College of Liberal Arts. Six fellows are continuing their graduate work. The inestimable service which this fund is rendering in the cause of education is indicated by the record of the thirteen former beneficiaries who are now in service. Of these, eight are college and university instructors; three are teachers in private schools; one is engaged in important chemical research and one is the national director of religious education for a church denomination. Of the college instructors, four are in the field of Romance Languages; one in History; one in Chemistry; one in Mathematics and one in Sociology.

Professor A. H. Rice addressed the students of the College of Practical Arts and Letters Wednesday, February 28.

Mr. Frederick J. Allen, from 1900 until 1902 instructor in history, from 1900 until 1903 instructor in mathematics in the College of Liberal Arts, and for several recent years instructor in vocational guidance in the College and Extension Courses, died in Cambridge, February 17.

Seventeen seniors, twelve of whom were girls, were elected March 18 to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. Most of those elected had been prominent in student activities as well as in scholastic standing during their four years at college.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The statistics for the College Year 1926-27 show the following enrolment: Total Day Division 1425, Evening Division 3031, Graduate Division 156, Extra Mural courses 872, making a total, including duplicates, of 5484; not including duplicates, 4891.

Dean Lord is on a short trip to Porto Rico studying the work of the business administration branch of the Porto Rico University and outlying plans for the continuance and expansion of the department. For the first part of the year Professor James V. Toner conducted the work of the branch and Professor Philip Bunker for the second semester.

A series of lectures under the direction of Professor Ralph G. Wells, Head of the Department of Management Method, is being held at the University Club every Tuesday noon, for ten weeks.

For the first time in any school of journalism in the country the adoption of a year's "interneship" for students in addition to four years in college previous to the award of the degree of Bachelor of Journalism has been announced by the Department of Journalism. The year of "interneship," Professor Center announces, was part of the original plan of the journalism course.
A further attempt to determine the money value of a college education has been launched by the national professional fraternity, Alpha Kappa Psi, under the personal direction of its national president, Dean Everett W. Lord. The survey will be confined solely to obtaining a representative effect of the earning power of the individual from college training.

**COLLEGE OF PRACTICAL ARTS AND LETTERS**

Mrs. Elizabeth Macdonald, as Director of the Bureau of Consumer Research, is holding at the college building a series of public relations training conferences with a group of the field workers of the Tenney Corporation, one of the largest public utilities holding companies. In January, the National Laundry Owners Association guaranteed the existence of the Bureau of Consumer Research for a period of three years on the basis of the work accomplished up to that time. This last month a group of the students in “Social Science of Consumption” appeared at the meetings of the National Laundry Owners Association and of the National Electric Light Association and presented charts showing the statistics which had been compiled by the group. They were commended heartily for their work.

Mr. Rufus Stickney, B.B.A., head of the Shorthand Department of the Boston Clerical School, is conducting during the second semester a ten weeks' course in Methods of Teaching Office Practice in the High School.

On Fridays during the second semester, talks on vocational work have been planned for the freshmen and this year's candidates for the certificate and degree. Miss Scott, the Vocational Counselor, is in charge of these meetings.

Throughout Lent, special services were held by the Young Women’s Christian Association each Monday to which outside speakers were invited.

Miss Anne McClintock, Director of Physical Education, attended the convention of the American Physical Education Association in Washington March 30 to April 1. Miss McClintock is a member of the national committee on Moderate Sports for Girls.

Several of the graduates who are teaching in the East were sent to the convention of the Eastern Commercial Teachers Association, which held its meeting at the Hotel Statler, Friday, April 15. Professor W. H. Mechler was in charge of one of the group gatherings.

**SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY**

Dr. Hugo Gressman, professor of Old Testament literature in the University of Berlin, was a guest and speaker at the School on Wednesday and Thursday, March 16 and 17. On Wednesday he spoke on “The Idea of the Messiah in the Old Testament” and on Thursday on “The Babylonian and Israelite Religions: A Comparison.” While in Boston Professor and Mrs. Gessner were the guests of Professor and Mrs. R. H. Pfeiffer. They were also the guests of honor at a luncheon given on March 17, by Dean Knudson.

Dr. Charles L. Goodell, executive secretary of the Federal Churches of Christ in America, was the guest of the School on Wednesday, March 9. He made two addresses in Robinson Memorial Chapel, the first at 10.25 in the morning and the second at 2.20 in the afternoon.

Under the auspices of the Mount Vernon Students' Association of the School, Mr. J. Stitt Wilson, formerly mayor of Berkeley, Calif., and now connected with the Y. M. C. A., spoke at the School on Wednesday morning, February 23. He was the guest of the Association throughout the day.
Benjamin Aberdeen Gessner, S.T.B. '26, magna cum laude, was nominated by the faculty in January to the Alumni Fellowship, carrying with it a year's study either in the Orient, Europe or America. Mr. Gessner is a graduate of Baker University, '23. He is now a candidate for a Ph.D. degree in the Graduate School of Boston University.

Rev. Roger S. Guptill, a missionary on furlough from service in Africa, delivered an address at the School on Friday, February 11. Mr. Guptill, since his graduation from the School of Theology in 1914, has been continually in service in Africa until this year. While on furlough he is studying at the Harvard Theological School.

A communion service open to the public was held at the School on the morning of Good Friday. The service was in charge of Dr. Edward A. Elliott, superintendent of the Boston district of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was assisted by members of the faculty.

SCHOOL OF LAW

High officials of the American Bar Association, in Boston to attend the annual banquet of the Boston University School of Law alumni at the Copley Plaza, Tuesday evening, February 8, were the guests at noon at a luncheon given by former Atty. Gen. J. Weston Allen, at which dignitaries of bench and bar were gathered. The luncheon, a private informal affair, was held at one o'clock at the University Club. Among the guests were: President Charles S. Whitman of the American Bar Association; Judge Edward A. Armstrong of New Jersey, chairman of the general council; Ex-U. S. Senator F. Dumont Smith of Kansas, chairman of the Association's committee on American Citizenship.

At the banquet of the Alumni of the School of Law at the Copley Plaza in the evening the officers of the American Bar Association were the guests of the alumni. Among the speakers at the banquet were: President Whitman, Judge Armstrong, Ex-U. S. Senator Smith, Lieutenant Governor Norman S. Case of Rhode Island, Rev. J. M. Dwyer of Athens, N. Y., and President Daniel L. Marsh.

The William Mack prize, a full set of the volumes of "Corpus Juris-Cyc," offered by the Faculty of the School of Law to the freshman doing the best work in the legal training research course has been awarded to Charles Macdonald of Cambridge. Mr. Macdonald took his pre-law course at the College of Business Administration. He is a student librarian in the School of Law library.

The second meeting of the Boston University Law Forum, recently established by the alumni of the School of Law for the discussion of current questions of jurisprudence was held Friday, March 18, in the courtroom of the School. The question discussed was "What is the safest and fairest method of dealing with minor violations of motor vehicle laws and traffic regulations?"

At a meeting of the forum on Friday afternoon, April 8, the subject of discussion was "Shall authority be given to judges of the Superior Court to comment to the jury upon the evidence?" Honorable Frederick W. Mansfield presided. The law forum was recently established for the purpose of giving the lawyers of Boston a discussion place for questions of current interest in the field of jurisprudence. The forum is open to members of the Bar and the interest of members of the legal profession is rapidly increasing.

The members of the Webster Debating Team debated the question of co-education on Tuesday, March 1. Favoring co-education were Beatrice Hancock of Fall River and Dora Ginsburg of Roxbury. The negative was defended by Joseph Micarelli of Providence, R. I., and Kenneth E. Shaw of Clinton, Me.
The annual oratorical contest of the School of Law was held Tuesday, April 12, at the School. Ten students entered. Morgan T. Ryan, the winner of the contest, will deliver the oration on Class Day, and Edward W. Giblin, the second ranking contestant, will deliver the address to the undergraduates on that occasion.

The annual banquet of the senior class of the School of Law was held at the University Club on the evening of February 24. Professor Frank L. Simpson was the guest speaker for the Faculty. President Daniel L. Marsh was a guest of honor.

Dean Albers addressed the members of the Vermont Bar Association at their annual meeting in Montpelier, Tuesday, January 4. His subject was "Reform in Court Procedure."

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The present year has seen even closer relations established between the School of Medicine and the University as a whole. General interest is evidenced by the participation of teachers from other Departments in the affairs of the School of Medicine and the co-operation of the School of Medicine in matters of student health. The interest of the Alumni of the School of Medicine in other Departments of the University is shown by their substantial gift to the Endowment Fund of the College of Liberal Arts.

There has been a steady improvement in the organization of the teaching work of the Department and from a pedagogical standpoint the curriculum has become much better balanced with a distinct tendency to get away from the former "watertight compartments" of the old scheme. The Faculty has been somewhat increased in size through the addition of other teaching units, such as certain departments at the Boston City Hospital and more recently the affiliation with the New England Hospital for Women and Children.

The members of the teaching staff have taken an active part in professional activities and have been in attendance upon various scientific and professional meetings held throughout the country. The amount of research being carried on by members of the staff has constantly increased, so that at the present time the Institution is making a very creditable showing.

In addition to the monthly staff meetings at the Hospital, in which the teaching force of the School of Medicine has an important part, there has recently been inaugurated a series of monthly luncheons at which opportunity is given to the heads of the various Departments to discuss their own activities and to become more familiar with those of other Departments.

The full-time teachers in the Medical School include certain research workers from the Hospital Staff and this group meets weekly at a luncheon where various matters concerning the School and Hospital and research work are discussed.

The School through its various representatives is taking an important part in the official health work of the State and municipality and in this way is rendering a very important public service. For example, in connection with the Child Welfare Clinics of the City of Boston a considerable number of the stations are in charge of members of the Department of Pediatrics of this School.

The School is likewise taking an increasingly important place in the national activities which concern medical education through its membership in the Association of American Medical Colleges and its representation at the meetings of the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association.
The School of Education is experiencing difficulty in finding space for its classes. Hitherto it has borrowed classrooms from the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Business Administration at hours when the rooms are not needed for the classes of those schools. Now it is necessary to find other rooms or else limit the curriculum to the present courses. Dean Wilde has been inspecting the neighborhood of the University to discover rooms for the use of students and of classes. Additional desk room for instructors is needed for the coming year. The School has certainly outgrown its clothes.

The School loses with keen regret the service of Professor Groves who goes next year to the University of North Carolina. Under his instruction the class in Educational Sociology has grown into one of about 150 students, many of these part-time students who came in for the inspiration of the class. It was in the School of Education that Professor Groves first began to lecture and write upon the sociology of the family, a field which he has now intensively developed and in which he has become a national authority. The example of the School in establishing such courses has been followed by other universities of the country. The National Federation of Women's Clubs asked the School for its program of home and family courses which were circulated in all the states of the country and the Federation followed this with requests of state universities to institute similar programs.

The School has operated on a close financial budget, but throughout its history it has turned over to the University a larger income than its expenses. Attempt is being made to see how far such a school may operate without large endowment and without deficits. It is now necessary to make more generous appropriations for the comfort of students and the convenience of classes and instructors. Will the income match these new expenses? We shall try to make it.

The Dean took the lead in calling a conference in January of officers of university schools of education to discuss methods of according advance credits for work done in normal schools and in other colleges. Representatives came to the School from Columbia University, Brown, Syracuse, state department of education of New York, Clark, Harvard and Cornell. Common ground was found for such credits and another conference was planned for the Easter recess. Dean Wilde was appointed chairman of the conference for the year.

Professor Guy M. Wilson, chairman of the All New England Arithmetic Contest Committee, announces that the final report of the contest of this year, which was given in grades five, six and seven in 187 school systems, districts and cities of New England, to 113,000 pupils, has been completed. The results of the contest show that the average rating is much the same as last year for Massachusetts. No comparative work is possible outside of Massachusetts, since the test last year was confined to this state. Dr. Wilson reports that the best grades were made in small rural systems, rather than in large city schools, and that 100% efficiency in the four fundamental processes is possible, as shown by the reports, but that it seldom occurs. The contest was given under the auspices of the School of Education, and interest by superintendents, principals and teachers in the contest and the conference recently held has been keen. Final reports have been mailed to all entrants who completed the scores, which number 160. The tabulation was done in the school by Mr. Lester Brooks, under the direction of Dr. Wilson.

The Harvard-Boston University extension courses have had a successful year under the direction of Professor Mahoney. Courses have been given from Maine to New Jersey with increasing influence. The system has now developed a permanent interest in some communities so that invitation comes every year from them for new courses. Over 700 people have been reached this year in these study courses. All courses are given by college methods and so made available for college credit.
The faculty of the School are in frequent demand for outside addresses and for professional service of various kinds. Professor J. B. Davis has consulted with school officers on plans of school buildings. Professor Mahoney journeyed to Rochester, N. Y., and to Southern California to lecture upon the program of social sciences. Professors Blair and Wilson have made a building survey of a New York city and Professor Wilson has conferred with school authorities on curricula. He is also chairman of the N. E. A. Commission on Arithmetic and expert adviser of the Massachusetts committee on the same subject. Professor Davis, at the request of Boston high school principals and by direction of the board of superintendents, is making a study of the service of the principals of Boston high schools to discover means by which the principals may direct more expertly the teaching in their schools.

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

As the April issue of BOSTONIA goes to press reports from alumni members on the "former students' correspondence week" are beginning to pour in. The loyalty shown by alumni members and the great service rendered in the new student and endowment campaign looking toward a great S. R. E. Decennial observance in June, 1928, are a real contribution to the future cause of religious education.

An informal "Open-House" was held at Fox Hall, our new women's dormitory, the afternoon and evening of April 5. In the afternoon the women members of the University Board of Trustees were special guests of honor together with the daughters of Julia Knight Fox, the donors of this beautiful home for women students. The "Open-House" was in the nature of an informal "welcome home" to our Adviser to Women, Miss Emma L. Huse, who has just returned from a rest trip following her recent illness. During the afternoon and evening several hundred friends and neighbors were shown through Fox Hall.

The very successful presentation of Josephine Preston Peabody's beautiful poetic play, "The Piper," by our class of 1928 proved a real joy to many. Four performances were given at the Repertory Theatre of Boston to filled houses on April 7, 8 and 9. The leading roles were taken by Charles I. Davis, Jr., as the Piper, and Helen Albro Park as Veronika. The play was directed by Leighton Rollins of the Repertory Theatre.

The third annual Easter demonstration by the Fine Arts Department was given on March 17, at the Copley Methodist Episcopal Church, Boston. Large audiences witnessed both the performance at four o'clock and in the evening at eight. Two religious dramas, "The Box of Myrrh" by Miss Esther Phelps-Jones, '25, and "Denial" by Mrs. Evelyn Grant Hornsey, were presented under the direction of the Fine Arts staff. In addition to the dramas, "The Crucifixion and the Resurrection," interpreted by choral, congregational and instrumental music, was rendered by the Choral Arts Society conducted by William D. Simmons, of the faculty, assisted at the organ by Charles I. Davis, Jr.

Thirty-five graduates, former students, and members of the S. R. E. Faculty were present and took leading parts in the various sessions of the International Council of Religious Education, in Chicago, February 9-12. Several of the Professional Advisory Sections were headed by our representatives. They gave addresses, led discussion groups, made committee reports and were elected to important offices for the coming year.

May 6 has been chosen as the date for the S. R. E. annual Spring Convocation. The assembly on the morning will be held at the Church of the New Jerusalem on Bowdoin Street, with an academic procession from the school building to the church. The banquet in the evening will be at Repertory Hall.