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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. 

LONGFELLOW
THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The thing I am thinking about most these days is the Sixtieth Anniversary of the founding of the University, which will come on May 26, this year. I earnestly hope that every graduate and former student of Boston University will keep this important event in mind and make proper recognition of it. I suggest the following:

First. Send in your pledge of sixty dollars at once. You may pay the sixty dollars any time within a year from May 26. Surely there is no graduate or former student of Boston University who cannot afford sixteen and one-half cents a day for one year to help forward the great building program of alma mater.

Second. On May 26 (or on the 25th, or the 27th, as may best suit the convenience of the local group) see that you foregather with other members of the Boston University family in your community. Have a dinner or a luncheon together. Reminisce. Get acquainted. Sing the old songs.

Third. Brooding upon this forthcoming Sixtieth Anniversary, I have composed the following verses which I would be glad to have you read and appropriate when you fore­gather with other members of the University family in celebration of the Sixtieth Anniversary:

This is my own B. U.,
A priceless heritage,
A fabric wrought of faith and thought
By saint and seer and sage.
This is my own B. U.,—
Mine all its storied past:
The hopes and fears of pioneers,
And wealth of fame at last.

This is my own B. U.,
I love its urban home:
Dear Boston town, of world renown,
Where all the Muses roam.
This is my own B. U.,
My patriotic shrine:
I feel the beat of Freedom’s feet
Within this soul of mine.
This is my own B. U.,
My alma mater dear;
And so I call her children all
My kin, or far or near.
This is my own B. U.:
To her I’ll give my care;
I’ll keep her name and future fame
High-throned within my prayer.

—Daniel L. Marsh.

(The following contribution by Professor Edgar S. Brightman is the third in a series of articles explaining the aims and needs of some of the major departments of the University. The earlier discussions were by Dean Arthur W. Weyssse on the Graduate School and Professor Warren O. Ault on Graduate Work in History. These articles appeared in the January, 1929, issue of BOSTONIA.—Editor.)

GRADUATE WORK IN PHILOSOPHY

Professor Edgar S. Brightman

It would be impossible to write the history of Boston University without devoting an important chapter to the graduate work in philosophy. The influence of the original head of the department, Borden Parker Bowne, was far-reaching, both within the University and in the wider Republic of Letters.

At the present time, the graduate work in philosophy offers as wide a range of choice to the student as one could expect in view of the small staff of instruction. There is now only one professor who gives his full time to philosophy, although he is assisted by a fellow annually appointed; the assistant professor in the department and the instructor give practically all of their time to psychology. On the other hand, several excellent courses in the School of Theology present an opportunity for students who are interested in the philosophical interpretation of religion. Two or three seminars are available each semester, and a considerable number of students receive individual supervision in research problems of various types.

Nevertheless, there is imperative need of enlarging the staff in order to increase the number of courses offered. Everyone will agree that ethics ought to be taught every year, whether it is required or not. At present, we are able to give it only once in each two years. Formal logic (as distinguished from the famous “Dean’s course”) should appear regularly in the curriculum; and yet hitherto it has been taught only twice in recent years, both times in the summer. Esthetics is a cultural subject to which the department of philosophy should give attention, but no course has been given for over ten years. The history of philosophy now has to be taught by our psychologist. He does it admirably, but he should be relieved of this task in order to devote his full time to psychology, while a specialist in philosophy should take over that course and should offer advanced courses in the history of special periods. We now have no such advanced courses, except for an occasional seminar. The number of seminars also, needs to be enlarged, since the backbone of graduate study is the work done in seminars and research courses. It is self-evident that our present staff could not carry on all of this needed work.

The department has been able to prepare many persons to teach philosophy in various colleges and universities. But there is a greater demand for our Ph.D.’s in philosophy
than we can supply. Within one week recently four institutions asked the department to nominate candidates for teaching positions, but we did not have a sufficient number of men available to meet the demands. The insistent calls from the colleges have frequently resulted in our sending out Ph.D. candidates to teaching positions before they had received their degree. This practice is bad both for the candidates and for the institutions where they teach, as a rule. It means immature teaching, and delay and interruption before the degree is finally earned. The only way to meet this situation is to train a larger number of men and women as prospective teachers of philosophy; and this in turn is an additional reason for increasing our staff, our library facilities, and our equipments, and providing fellowships and scholarships.

Philosophy occupies a strategic and crucial position in modern thought. Graduate study in every field is significant; its aim is always to prepare men and women for independent research which shall advance civilization by contributing to the progress of knowledge. As a result of the methods and specialization of modern science, progress in research has been extremely rapid in many fields. The special sciences have witnessed amazing growth both in their theory and their applications. But at the same time there has been developing an increasing confusion about the meaning and value of human life. Science, indeed, does not face the question of value at all. It is the business of philosophy not only to consider the relations of the sciences to each other but also to face the problem of the meaning and value of life, which science necessarily ignores. Philosophy, therefore, holds a unique place in the intellectual world. There never was a time when the study of philosophy was more imperatively necessary than it is now. Many utterances by popular oracles, especially on moral and religious subjects, betray a complete lack of philosophical perspective, not to say ignorance of the best thought of the times. Life is sadly confused. In such a period as the present, one may choose to let things slide in the pious, but vain, hope that they will turn out right without intelligent guidance; or one may use force to bring one's dogmas into control of affairs, as Mussolini and the Soviet Government seem to do; or one may seek for intelligent enlightenment about true values. Philosophy chooses this last road, and asks people to think fundamentally about the lasting worth of the causes to which they give their allegiance. It is only disciplined thinking that, in the long run, will reveal the narrowness and unreasonableness of the practical and theoretical materialism which is so serious a menace to modern life, and will make clear the foundations of moral idealism and of devotion to what Rufus M. Jones calls "the fundamental ends of life." Philosophy, then, is work on the security of the very foundations of our civilization.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The Boston University Women's Council has issued its Third Annual Report. From this report we quote the following:

The Council has grown from a group of twelve charter members to a present membership of 108.

The object of the Council as stated in the by-laws is: "To further the best interests of Boston University and especially to support the program for women students through the University Dean of Women."

The first great task of the Boston University Women's Council was to aid in the completion of the Endowment Fund of $150,000 for the Department of the University Dean of Women, of which $85,000 had previously been raised by a small central committee. Its second great task is to aid in the erection of a Woman's Building, to provide dormitories and opportunity for social activities for women of all departments of the University.
At first the Council held meetings weekly. During the past two years, regular meetings have been held twice a month; one an executive meeting of the Board of Directors to transact the business of the Council, and the other a luncheon for all members and open to guests. At the latter, interesting speakers, from within and without the University, have brought stimulating messages. Boston University was chartered in 1869. From the beginning it has been co-educational. It was the first university in New England to admit women on an equality with men. The present student enrollment of some thirteen thousand, is almost equally divided between men and women.

Seventeen years ago the first effort was made to organize a unified body of women graduates of the different departments of Boston University, when Ruth L. S. Child, of the class of ’93, C.L.A., and fifty women graduates founded the Women Graduates’ Club. Any woman graduate of any department of Boston University was eligible to membership in this Club which was organized “to promote the interest of Boston University and to unite the alumnas of its various departments in fellowship and service.” The object of the Club was two-fold; first, to co-operate with women of other co-educational institutions and graduates of women’s colleges, and second, to work for a Dean of Women for Boston University. It was a red letter day when, after several years, the first thousand dollars was completed. During the general financial campaign of 1923-24 Dr. Lemuel H. Murlin, then President of the University, gave the challenge of raising $100,000, later increased to $150,000, with the assurance that the University should have a Dean of Women. The Chairman of the women’s department in the general Boston University campaign organized a small Central Committee with contributing units, the first of which was the Women Graduates’ Club of Boston, Worcester, Lawrence and Rhode Island.

After the public campaign closed, the leadership of the Central Committee that directed the campaign, recognizing the need of new strength, both in numbers and in organization, increased the size of the committee and reorganized it. In its enlarged and reorganized form the Central Committee became the Boston University Women’s Council. This group serves as an advisory council to the University Dean of Women, and seeks to interpret the University to the community.

The status of the Council in the University was definitely fixed in April, 1927, when President Daniel L. Marsh presented to the Trustees the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

*Whereas,* a group of women interested in the highest success of Boston University have organized into the Boston University Women’s Council, and

*Whereas,* they have rendered invaluable assistance in raising an endowment of approximately one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the Deanship of Women fund, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we express our appreciation of the service they have rendered,

Resolved further, that we invite them to maintain their organization as a part of the University family, contributory to its further development and progress.

The officers of the Council are: President, Mrs. Everett O. Fisk; Vice-President, Mrs. H. Clifford Gallagher; Secretary, Mrs. Edwin P. Bliss; Treasurer, Mrs. John P. Sutherland; Chairmen of Standing Committees: Mrs. Francis J. Flagg, Public Meetings; Miss A. Marion Merrill, Publications; Mrs. Daniel L. Marsh, Membership; Mrs. Charles Parkhurst, Memorial Membership; Mrs. D. D. Nickerson, Program; Directors ex-officio, Women Trustees of the University: Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, Mrs. Everett O. Fisk, Mrs. H. Clifford Gallagher, Mrs. George E. Henry, Miss Elizabeth C. Northup, Mrs. George L. Richards, Mrs. Lucy Jenkins Franklin, University Dean of Women, ex-officio; Elected Directors: (term expires—1930) Mrs. Myron H. Clark, Mrs. William E. Chenery, Mrs. David D. Nickerson, Mrs. Charles E. Wheeler; (term expires—1931)
President Marsh is in constant demand as a speaker on every sort of civic and educational occasion. The editor of BOSTONIA was so impressed by recent ceaseless requests for Dr. Marsh's presence as a lecturer and speaker that he has drawn up a list of the more important appointments filled by the President from March 10 to April 22:

March 10—Address at a union service of all the churches in Brattleboro, Vermont; 12—Banquet at the Algonquin Club for Dean-elect and Mrs. Henry H. Meyer; 13—Guest speaker at the Boston Wilbraham Club banquet; 15—Boston University Alumni Club of Lynn banquet; 16—The Annual Banquet of the Student Work at the First Baptist Church, Boston; 17—Anniversary of the Tremont Street Church, Boston; 19—Men's Club of St. Peters Episcopal Church, Beverly; 22—Lecture for the Women's Republican Club of Malden; 24—Union Palm Sunday services of the Hyde Park churches; 25—Address to the students and faculty of the Rhode Island State College at Kingston, Rhode Island; 26—Address to the University Club of Malden; 28—Address to the Newton Center Woman's Club; 30—Banquet of the Alpha Kappa Psi Fraternity at the Hotel Statler; April 1—Brotherhood of the Norwood Methodist Episcopal Church; 3—Noon luncheon of the Manchester, New Hampshire, Boston University Club; 3—Evening dinner of the Concord, New Hampshire, Boston University Club; 4—Address to the New Hampshire Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at Lebanon, New Hampshire; 5—Address to the New England Southern Conference at Brockton; 6—Address at the Laymen's Banquet at the Troy Conference, Pittsfield; 7—Sermon in the Concord Community Church; 9—Address to the Rhode Island Congress of Parents and Teachers, Providence, Rhode Island; 10—Luncheon address, Massachusetts State Department of Public Health; 12—Annual Educational Anniversary at the New England Conference, at Melrose; 13—Address at the luncheon of the New England Historical Association; 15—At a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird, in the Copley Plaza; 16—Noon luncheon of the Boston University Club of Worcester; 16—Evening dinner of the Boston University Club of Springfield; 17—Noon luncheon of the Boston University Club of Pittsfield; 17—Evening dinner of the Boston University Club of Albany, New York; 18—Noon luncheon of the Boston University Club of Syracuse, New York; 18—Evening dinner of the Boston University Club of Rochester, New York; 19—Annual banquet of the Boston University Club of New York City; 22—Luncheon of the Boston University Club of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

It should be noted that the above engagements are all outside and in addition to the numerous and exacting demands upon the President. His chief work has to do with students and faculties and Trustees' meetings, meetings of the Executive Committee every fortnight, University Council meetings, and all sorts of interviews, a heavy correspondence, and decisions of far-reaching import, besides seeking to interest potential friends in the endowment and development of the University.

THE SUMMER SESSION

The University has issued a preliminary announcement of the Summer Session. The Session will open Monday, July 8, and continue for six weeks, closing August 17.
A Faculty of 101 will give 224 courses in the following subjects: Accounting, Advertising, Architecture, Biblical Literature and History, Biology, Chemistry, Drama, Economics, Education, English Fine Arts, French, Geology, German, History, Italian, Journalism, Latin, Law, Management and Method, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Physical Education, Physics, Psychology, Public Speaking and Oral Reading, Shorthand, Sociology, Spanish, Typewriting. Professors from the Boston University faculty will be assisted by the following representatives of other institutions: Mabel C. Bragg, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Newton, Mass.; Ralph A. Burns, Instructor in Education, Dartmouth College; John K. Colby, Instructor in Latin, Carteret Academy; Elizabeth M. Collins, Assistant Professor of Education, Smith College; Mary J. Garber, Assistant Professor of Spoken English, Smith College; William G. Hennessy, Assistant Professor of English, University of New Hampshire; Tyler Kepner, Director of Social Studies, Brookline High School; Walter H. Mecher, Assistant to Chairman in Stenography, High School of Commerce, New York City; Nellie E. Powers, Principal of Frances E. Willard School, Boston; Richard J. Purcell, Associate Professor of History, The Catholic University of America; Dr. Leonhard Seif, Director of Seminar für Individual Psychologie, Munich, Editor, Journal für Individual Psychologie; O.H. Wedel, Assistant Professor of History and Political Science, University of Arizona; Milton Wittler, Assistant Professor of Educational Psychology, Grinnell College.

Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, Professor of Practical Theology in the Union Theological Seminary and Pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist Church, New York, will give the Commencement address on Tuesday, June 18. President Marsh will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, June 16.

An important departure from the customary order of exercises is the change of Alumni Day from the Saturday preceding Baccalaureate Sunday to the Monday following. This transfer has necessitated the fixing of Commencement Day on Tuesday, instead of the traditional Monday. It is hoped that the new arrangement for Alumni Day will prove more convenient for the graduates. The annual "Pop" concert will be given on the evening of Alumni Day, Monday, June 17.

The plans for Alumni Day, Monday, June 17, are still developing. At the time of sending this issue of BOSTONIA to press the programme includes the following: A luncheon and business meeting of all graduates at noon. The various departmental groups, after their separate reunions in the morning, will unite for luncheon in a tent in front of the new Nickerson Clubhouse. A business meeting and an inspection of the new facilities of Nickerson Field will follow the luncheon.

The afternoon programme includes a series of athletic sports and contests under the direction of Albert J. Dow, C.L.A., '11.

The first of this year's series of lectures on the United States Constitution, established by Mrs. Robert Bacon, was delivered Wednesday, March 13, in Jacob Sleeper Hall by Mr. Charles Warren of Washington, formerly Assistant United States Attorney-General and now a prominent lawyer of Washington. The second lecture of the series was given on Friday, March 15, by Professor Joseph Redlich, of Harvard, formerly a member of the Austrian Cabinet. The subjects of the two lectures were: "Presidential Declarations of Independence and Congressional Encroachments" and "The Influence of the Constitution of the United States upon the World at Large." Since the establishment of the lectureship eleven lectures in all have been given by seven authorities on the Constitution, including Senator Gaspar G. Bacon of Massachusetts and the Chief Justices of Maine and New Hampshire.
Dean Lucy J. Franklin's recent addresses include: February 15, Kosmos Club of Wakefield, "The Rising Older Generation"; March 10, Community Church of Boston (Symphony Hall), "Making a Living and Making a Life"; March 20, New Bedford College Club, "Is the College Woman Meeting the Situation Today?"; March 23, Hartford, Connecticut Branch of the American Association of University Women, "Is the College Woman Meeting the Situation Today?"

February 20–23 Dean Franklin attended the meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, of the National Association of Deans of Women. She reported for the Committee on "The necessary training and background of a Dean of Women"; also for the Committee on Resolutions. She was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Urban Universities.

Robert F. Mason, Alumni Secretary, reports that 48 graduates of Boston University are now serving as college or university presidents. Recent appointments of Boston University graduates include: Bowman F. Stockwell, '25, to the presidency of Union Theological Seminary of Buenos Aires, Argentina; Dr. William R. Ward, '26, to Port Arthur College at Port Arthur, Texas. The latter post was formerly held by another Boston University graduate, Arthur J. Price, Theology, '03. Graduates of Boston University head higher educational institutions in eight foreign countries and twenty-three American states.

Dean Franklin has announced a plan to publish the first annual yearbook from her department. Mrs. Daniel L. Marsh will edit the book which will be issued under the auspices of the Boston University Women's Council and will inform the public of the accomplishments of this department during the past three years.

Dean Franklin assumed office in 1924. Her proposed yearbook will present in detail past and future plans for raising money for the Women’s Building to be erected on Boston University’s future Charles River campus. Mrs. Everett O. Fisk and Miss A. Marion Merrill will assist Mrs. Marsh in editing the yearbook.

Ex-President and Mrs. Lemuel H. Murlin have been granted by the Church Committee of the American Church in Berlin, Germany, a leave of absence for about two months for a trip to Greece, Egypt and Palestine. This is in accordance with an agreement made when Dr. Murlin accepted the pastorate of the church that he and Mrs. Murlin should be given from time to time opportunities for study and travel. They are expected back in Berlin by the last of April.

Mrs. Everett O. Fisk and Mrs. George E. Henry of the Board of Trustees of the University gave on Monday evening, January 28, a dinner, in honor of President Daniel L. Marsh and Mrs. Marsh. The occasion was in recognition of the third anniversary of Dr. Marsh's presidency of the University. Other guests at the dinner were a group of friends connected with the University.

President Emeritus William Fairfield Warren observed his 96th anniversary of his birthday on Wednesday, March 13. Many letters of congratulation and tributes of affection were sent him by graduates and other representatives of the University. Dr. Warren’s mental activity continues unabated and he maintains a steady correspondence with friends throughout the world.

Mr. Robert F. Mason, Alumni Secretary, has announced the following committee of arrangements for the celebration of the sixtieth birthday of the University: Professor C. M. McConnell, Theology, '10, Chairman; Walter I. Chapman, C.L.A., '01; Hayden L. Stright, S.R.E., '22; Nellie Eva Powers, Education, '23; Muriel J. Goudey, P.A.L., '27.
The Boston University battalion of the R.O.T.C. cadets greeted on Monday, March 25, the 160 Australian and New Zealand cadets who are making a tour of the world under the sponsorship of the International Rotary Clubs. The R.O.T.C. acted as military escort to the visitors during their stay in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Ray Speare, after a winter trip to Camden, South Carolina, returned to Boston the last week in March.

The Departments

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

As the academic year extends from the first of July of one calendar year to the thirtieth of June of the following year, we are now able to make the final report on the total registration in the Graduate School for the current academic year. These figures may be tabulated as follows:

I. Gross total of all students who have registered for courses, including those with primary enrolment in another Department:

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It is a matter of some interest to note the number of students who have benefited during the past year from the Trustees Scholarships that were first established two years ago. The beneficiaries of these scholarships have totaled fifteen, and in general, the scholastic record made by them has been a gratifying justification of the merit of the award.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

Among the notable addresses delivered at the College this spring was that of Ernesto Nelson, Chairman of the Board of Education in Argentina and head of the present delegation of Argentine educators in America, given on Wednesday, March 6, in Jacob Sleeper Hall. Mr. Nelson’s speech was delivered as part of the Institute on World Affairs which had been previously conducted at Boston University. The Institute was sponsored by student and faculty committees at the School of Religious Education, the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Education. The proceedings included assemblies, classroom meetings, and round table discussions. Among the authorities who participated were: Kirby Page, Whiting Williams, Michael Karpovich of the Russian Diplomatic Service, Ernesto Nelson, Dr. J. H. Cousins of New York, Professor Lucius Porter and Professor Hocking.

Mr. Reid and Mr. Smith are appointees under the Professor Augustus Howe Buck Fund which provides opportunities for students of special merit. Miss Mandell is now in France completing her work toward the Master's Degree. Miss Fitzpatrick studied in France a year ago under the Delaware Plan.

The annual Recognition Luncheon conducted by the Augustus Howe Buck Scholarship Committee was held Thursday, March 14, at the University Club. Among those present were: President Marsh, Dean Warren, the members of the Scholarship Committee, and the undergraduate beneficiaries of the Fund. The purpose of the meeting was to instruct the Buck beneficiaries as to the larger purposes of the Buck Scholarship. Professor Robert E. Bruce spoke for the Committee; President Marsh and Dean Warren also addressed the gathering.

Zion's Herald of March 13 contained an extended critique of Bishop Francis John McConnell's recent work on Professor Borden Parker Bowne. Bishop McConnell was one of Professor Bowne's ablest students and for many years his intimate friend. The reviewer pays a high tribute, not only to Professor Bowne, but to the writer of the biography. The work is published by the Abingdon Press, New York, Cincinnati, and Chicago.

President Kenneth C. M. Sills of Bowdoin College attended as a special guest of honor the chapel service at the College on Wednesday, February 27. President Sills was entertained that evening by President Daniel L. Marsh at his home in Brookline.

The enrolment in the College and Extension courses for 1928-29 is 1163. During the first semester 932 were registered; to these were added 231 new students in the second semester.

Professor A. H. Rice gave an address before the Woodrow Wilson Civics Club at an assembly in the Girls' Latin School on Thursday, March 28. The subject of his talk was "An Ancient Parallel to the League of Nations."

Angelo P. Bertocci, the holder of an Augustus Howe Buck Scholarship, is traveling through Egypt, Greece and Italy with Professor William G. Aurelio who is abroad on sabbatical leave.

Professor Mervyn J. Bailey gave in March an illustrated lecture on German art before the German Club of the College of Liberal Arts.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

About two hundred business men of Greater Boston and nearby cities participated in the opening of Boston's First Better Letters Conference, on Wednesday, April 3. The Conference began at 10.00 and continued with three meetings until 5.00 in the afternoon. The general subject was "Policies in Letter Writing"; the speakers showed
how the point of view and the general policy are the important and basic things that must influence a firm's letter writing.

At a meeting of Beta Gamma Sigma, national honorary scholastic society of collegiate schools of business, held at the college building on Tuesday evening, April 2, the following juniors and seniors were elected to membership: George Bornstein, John H. Daley, Jr.; Feruccio A. Filie, W. Stuart Grattan, Ralph S. Hastings, Edgar G. Wilson.

Professor Charles W. French, head of the French language department at the College of Business Administration, has received word that he has been chosen representative of the National Federation of Modern Language Teachers at the World Federation of Education Associations at Geneva, Switzerland, to be held July 26 to August 4, next summer.

Professor French has been head of the National Federation for two years. He was also recently elected a delegate to the Berne Conference of Education Associations.

Professor Atlee L. Percy, Director of Courses for Commercial Teachers at the College of Business Administration, was elected a member of the Executive Board of the Eastern Commercial Teachers' Association at their thirty-first annual convention held in Philadelphia, March 28–30. This Association is composed of representatives of the leading public and private secondary schools in the East offering commercial training and colleges and normal schools engaged in preparing teachers for such institutions.

COLLEGE OF PRACTICAL ARTS AND LETTERS

The Musical Clubs of the College of Practical Arts and Letters gave their annual concert on March 15. The organizations participating were the Orchestra, the Mandolin Club, and the Glee Club, under the direction, respectively, of Mrs. Elizabeth Onate, Professor Jose Onate, and Professor Austin Warren. Miss Jessie McKelvie, a talented mezzo-soprano contributed two solos; and Miss Yolande Charest's artistic rendering of her violin selections greatly pleased the audience. An effective finale to the concert was provided by a gavotte danced in eighteenth-century costume and wigs by four of the freshmen, accompanied by the Glee Club and the orchestra in the familiar Amaryllis.

On February 15, Miss Edna Cahill, '23, Secretary to the President of the Walter H. Baker Company, addressed the College Life group telling about her experiences in the secretarial field. On March 15, Miss Lillian McCarthy, '23, addressed the same group giving her experiences as a teacher in the Boston schools. She made helpful suggestions about vocational opportunities in Boston and the suburbs.

During Lent a series of Lenten Services were conducted under the auspices of the College Y.W.C.A. Among the speakers were Dr. Ashley Day Leavitt, Dean Lucy Franklin, Reverend Roy L. Minich, Dr. George H. Spenser, and President Daniel L. Marsh.

In the new catalogue for 1929–30, just off the press, announcement is made of a new program of study which is provided for girls who do not wish to specialize in any given vocation. Girls who elect this course, however, are required, during their senior year, to make a study of the requirements of, and the opportunities represented by, some type of vocational or professional service. This program places special emphasis upon the humanistic studies of the curriculum.
Dean John P. Marshall addressed the Malden Junior High School teachers in the Senior High School auditorium on April 8 on "Appreciating Music." He also addressed the Youth Conference of the State Federation of Women's Clubs at the Normal Art School on March 22 on the subject of "Music in the Home." On March 14 he spoke in Concord, N. H., before the Concord Music Club on "Modern Music."

Mr. David Blair McClosky of the vocal department has twice appeared as soloist with the Boston Symphony Orchestra this season, once at the regular weekly concert and the second time at the Pension Fund Concert.

Mr. F. Stuart Mason of the faculty has recently been further honored by the French Government. In 1922, he was decorated for high musical attainment, and made an "Officier d'Academie," and a month ago he became an "Officier de l'Instruction Publique."

The College of Music will offer twelve courses in the Summer Session, including courses in appreciation of music, harmony, and public school music.

The total registration for the College of Music for its first year was two hundred and eleven. This figure includes thirty-two students with primary registration in other departments.

Two recent bequests to Boston University for the benefit of the School of Theology are: $500 by the will of the late Ellen Avery of Lowell to be applied to help a worthy student in the School of Theology, "in need of assistance, who is preparing himself for the work of the Christian ministry, preferably in a foreign mission field"; $5000 under the will of Ferdinand C. Gammons of Bridgewater to be invested by the Trustees as an endowment for the support of the School of Theology, said fund to bear the name of the Ferdinand C. Gammons Fund.

On Tuesday, March 19, Congressman Dewey J. Short, of Missouri, a graduate of Boston University School of Theology in the class of 1922, was the guest speaker at the Chapel Service. He used as a subject: "Is America Truly Great?" Mr. Short, before his recent election to Congress (of which he is the youngest member) from the 14th District of Missouri, was Professor of Philosophy at Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas. At the close of his course in Boston University School of Theology, he was awarded the Frank D. Howard Fellowship for 1922 and spent a year in European study.

On Wednesday and Thursday, April 3 and 4, Doctor Adolf Deissmann was the guest of Boston University School of Theology, giving two lectures in Robinson Chapel on the following subjects: "The Papyri and the Religion of the New Testament" and "The Historical Value of the New Testament." On Wednesday, Dean Knudson entertained in his honor the members of the faculty at a luncheon at the Boston City Club. Doctor Deissmann is a member of the faculty of the University of Berlin and is a noted scholar in the field of New Testament and Early Church History. He is also President of the Universal Christian Conference on Life and Work, and in addition to many other interests he has distinguished standing among archaeologists, especially for his recent excavations at Ephesus. Many graduates of the School of Theology and faculty members studying in Europe have listened to Doctor Deissmann's lectures in Berlin and have been recipients of his hospitality there.
Under the guidance of Professor Linfield in the Department of Evangelism, forty theological students have been organized into five well-captained Gospel Teams and have gone out during every Sunday of January, February, and March into nearby churches for evening services. It is interesting to note that of all these men only three come from New England; thirty-two from the West; three from the South; and two from foreign countries.

Doctor Willis J. King of the class of 1913, now Professor of Bible at Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia, has just been awarded a Fellowship of twelve hundred dollars from the Julius Rosenwald Fund for six months' study abroad. It is quite unusual for this Foundation to grant a Fellowship in the field of Theology.

SCHOOL OF LAW

The annual dinner of the Boston University Law School Association was held Tuesday evening, March 5, at the Parker House. Judge W. Lloyd Allen, '10, president of the Association, presided. In charge of other arrangements for the affair were the remaining officers of the Association: Attorney-General James P. Tuttle, '85, of New Hampshire; William M. Blatt, '97, and Harold A. J. Oppenheim, '22. The speakers included Charles Francis Coe, magazine writer, who discussed story writing dealing with crime; Judge Francis J. Good, '13, recently appointed judge of the Municipal Court of Boston, and District Attorney William J. Foley, '08. Members of the Entertainment and Banquet Committee included Terrill M. Ragan, '22, chairman; assisted by Roland H. Sherman, '96; Hon. W. T. A. Fitzgerald, '97; Hon. Jay R. Benton, '11; Charles J. Innes, '26; John M. Morrison, '10; Judge Allen, and Harold A. J. Oppenheim. Among those present were: Dean Homer Albers, Judge Frank Leveroni, '03; Judge Thomas Z. Lee, '09, of Providence; Frederick W. Mansfield, '02, president of the Massachusetts Bar Association; Thomas W. Proctor, '13, president of the Boston Bar Association.

Thirteen graduates of the School were honored in March with the award of the Woolsack key, the official emblem of membership in the legal fraternity which corresponds to Phi Beta Kappa. The keys were awarded at a dinner presided over by Professor Frank L. Simpson. United States Assistant Attorney-General George R. Barnum addressed the students on "Idealism in the Practice of Law." The students to whom keys were awarded are: Samuel E. Angoff, Joseph F. Bacigalupo, Manuel K. Berman, Irvin M. Davis, Frank S. Gacek, Sidney S. Grant, Bernard Kaplan, Charles A. Macdonald, Timothy J. O'Connell, Henry G. Proulx, Abraham Schoenfeld, Meyer Weker, and Richard Whiting.

Professor Gustavus H. Robinson is giving at Harvard College and at Radcliffe a course in Government and International Law. He was invited to give these courses when Professor George Grafton Wilson, who formerly gave them, found it necessary to be relieved of this work. Professor Robinson will also hold the Judah Philip Benjamin research fellowship at Harvard Law School for the coming year, and will teach Admiralty at the 1929 Summer Session at Cornell Law School, Ithaca, N. Y.

On Tuesday, March 19, at a senior class meeting called in the interest of the endowment insurance plan, the president of the class, insurance agents and the Dean urged the students to adopt this arrangement and to co-operate for the good of the University.

The Class of 1908 dined at the Parker House on February 14.
The Boston University Law School Association had its annual dinner on March 5 at the Parker House.

On March 7 a smoker was given by the Phi Delta Phi fraternity at the Brunswick Hotel.

Dean Albers was present at all of these occasions and spoke briefly.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

During the past quarter three student assemblies have been held. January 9, Dr. Walter F. Dearborn, Professor of Education and Director of Psycho-Educational Clinic, Graduate School of Education, Harvard University, spoke on "Word Blindness in Children." March 6, Dr. Leland C. Wyman, Assistant Professor of Physiology at the School of Medicine, spoke on "The Teaching of Physiology in Europe." April 3, Dr. William Brickley, Associate Medical Examiner of Suffolk County, spoke on "The Business of Medicine."

Through the courtesy of Dr. Frederick Good the loan of two sets of movie films was made to the School of Medicine. These films were secured from Dr. DeLee, Professor of Obstetrics at Northwestern University.

On February 4, Dean Begg gave an address at the Somerville First Methodist Episcopal Church on the topic "Medicine as a Christian Profession."

The School was represented by Dean Begg at the annual meeting of the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association, February 18–20, inclusive.

On March 18, the School of Medicine was pleased to have as a visitor Dr. Sakamoto, Professor of Physiology at the University of Tokio, Japan.

From March 27–30, inclusive, the annual meeting of the American Association of Anatomists was attended by Dean Begg and Dr. Conel. At this meeting Dr. Conel presented a paper on "The Development of the Bdellostoma."

Recently, Dr. J. LeRoy Conel, Professor of Anatomy, has been chosen to serve on the Special Committee which will arrange for a suitable memorial to commemorate the service to the museum and to science of Dr. Bashford Dean, late Curator of the Department of Ichthyology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The School of Education has issued its catalogue for the academic year 1929–30. The bulletin is notable for several important announcements indicating the substantial growth of the School. One of these announcements is of the incorporation into the School of the Connecticut Valley Summer School. This was done at the unanimous request of the Executive Committee of that School and with the approval of the Trustees of Boston University. The Connecticut Valley Summer School was started last summer on the initiative of various school officers in the Valley in behalf of teachers in that vicinity who had mostly gone to New York for summer work. These school officials sought the co-operative counsel of the schools of education of Harvard and Boston University and of the Y.M.C.A. College at Springfield. A program of courses was made; Professor Eaton of the Boston University faculty was made Dean, and the Y.M.C.A. College provided quarters. Two hundred and twelve students registered for
the first session; the financial returns were such that a continuance of the School was assured. The experience of last summer demonstrated that this School could never do its complete work without affiliation with a university of standing and after weighing the opportunities presented at various institutions, the executive committee of the School invited Boston University to take over the School. The program for the coming summer is already completed and plans are under way for a few courses to be offered during the winter.

The second important announcement is that of a four-year college and professional course in preparation for teaching. This has been done after conference with Deans Warren, Lord, and Davis. The general plan is to anticipate from the freshman year the student's later profession. The whole course is under our direction and much of the first and second year is prescribed. The general or academic subjects will be taken at the College of Liberal Arts or the College of Business Administration but usually at the former. The School of Education will not add these academic courses to its program and so duplicate unnecessarily the work of other schools. While the admission requirements of our School of Education have always been somewhat more elastic than those of some of the New England colleges and these will remain in force for this new course, especial efforts will be devoted to the careful selection of candidates for the course. The ordinary certification requirements will be made, and in addition a physical examination and an intelligence or general ability test will be required. Recent researches into college admission seem to indicate that the subject pursued in high school is of less significance for later success in college than general ability and strength of character.

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICE

Walter Scott Athearn, Dean of the School of Religious Education and Social Service, has announced to the President and Trustees of the University that his connection with Boston University will cease at the end of his present leave of absence, June 30, 1929. Dean Athearn is now traveling in Europe. His plans for the future have not been announced.

President Daniel L. Marsh has announced that the Trustees have elected Doctor Henry H. Meyer Dean of the School of Religious Education and Social Service, succeeding Doctor Athearn. Doctor Meyer is recognized as one of the foremost leaders in the field of religious education. He graduated in the normal school course from the University of California; took his A.B. and A.M. from Baldwin Wallace College; both his B.D. and Th.D. from Drew Theological Seminary; his Ph.D. in religious education from Yale University. He has also studied in the University of Jena, Germany.

On Wednesday, March 20, the Fine Arts Department, under the direction of Miss Esther Willard Bates, Professor of Dramatics, presented the Easter play "The Feast of Faith," written by Miss Bertha M. Russell, a student in the playwriting class. The play was presented both in the afternoon and evening at the Bulfinch Church. In connection with this demonstration Miss Grace Ripley of this faculty gave a talk on Costume Design.

The Choral Art Society, made up of some fifty students in this school, presented, under the direction of Professor Gladstone Jackson, a classical concert at Jordan Hall on the evening of April 4. Jean Bedetti, first cellist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra assisted as soloist. The group rendered with remarkable success numbers from Palestrina, Brahms, Handel, Gibbons and Morley.

Dr. Frank W. Clelland, Acting Dean of the School of Religious Education and Social Service, attended the convention of the Religious Education Association, held in Des Moines, Iowa, from April 3 to 5.