

Home Of WRA . . .

White Hall Provides Recreation Facilities

This is the second in a series of two articles tracing the development of women's compulsory and intramural athletics at the College.

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The Women's Athletic association was first mentioned in the 1918 catalogue, and in 1923 a system was inaugurated whereby members of honorary varsity teams and winning class and intramural teams could earn points for participation, skill, and interest. When 40 points had been earned, the last two figures of the class numerals were given; for 75 points, the four class numerals were awarded. Women could earn an "S" sweater for gaining 125 points, and a loving cup was given to coeds with 175 points.

Facilities Lacking

Marie Haidt was appointed instructor in physical education and hygiene in 1924, and is at present associate professor in the School of Physical Education. At that time there were still no locker or shower facilities, and women were compelled to dress at home. Because classes for the military department and men's physical education classes both were scheduled in the Armory, it was difficult to secure it for even six hours a week.

Small classes were held during the day, and a large class Mondays at 4 o'clock. While 170 girls were participating in activities at this time, the men's varsity boxing and wrestling teams practiced on the stage. Handball was also played by the men coaches at the opposite end of the floor. The entire area was about the size of a basketball court, and no partitions separated the various groups.

New Problem

When Recreation hall was completed in 1928 the Armory was given over completely to the women. The "natural program" replaced the old-fashioned formal physical education at this time. This new program emphasized that students should give their time to more natural and useful activities. The sports included deck tennis, shuffleboard, badminton, jumping rope, and bowling.

The military department expanded its program to such an extent in 1931 that it needed the Armory again, and Miss Haidt found it impossible to schedule classes for all the women. Many students wanted a voluntary evening recreational period in addition to classes, so they were given the use of Rec hall on Monday nights. Growing interest in the intramural program made the Monday night session successful.

The Glennland pool was opened to women students in 1934 and swimming was made a part of the freshman physical education schedule. At this time modern dance was taught for its leisure value and its use in social situations, and social graces and manners were emphasized.

Uniform Change

Classes were held in the Home Economics building, Dairy building, Methodist church gymnasium, Grange dormitory, and 405 Old Main. The gym suit was changed in 1934 to a one-piece sleeveless cotton suit, tan or

green, and students were required to have one of each color.

The enrollment of women students was increasing steadily at this time, and the lack of locker and shower facilities, activity rooms, fields and equipment became more of a handicap. At various times the administration offered to renovate the basement of McAllister hall and Women's building, the Armory and the present Textile Chemistry building, but Miss Haidt did not encourage these moves. They would have probably deterred from the object—a recreation building for the women.

It took two years of planning before the laying of the cornerstone on June 4, 1938. The building was named in honor of Mary Beaver White because of her interest in and assistance to the women on campus, in the form of loan funds and scholarships.

New Name

With the planning of White hall it was decided that the name of the Women's Athletic Association should be changed to be more inclusive. Because the word "athletic" seemed to imply concentration on competitive sports, and also seemed masculine to some, "recreation" was substituted and the group became the WRA. A new constitution was written, which stated that the opportunity for socialized recreation and development of skill in various sports and activities were the group's purposes. With the change in title came a greater response from the students and a significant reinterpretation of the general program.

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Alpha Chi Sigma

Don Kempfer, Clark Breeding, Neal Yocum, and Don Ayer have been pledged to Alpha Chi Sigma fraternity.

A faculty and graduate brother smoker will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at the chapter house.

Mourant To Conduct Newman Club Lecture

The second in a series of three lectures on "The Basic Concepts of the Philosophy of St. Thomas Aquinas" sponsored by the Newman club will be given at 7 o'clock tonight by Dr. John Mourant, head of the Philosophy department at the College, in 107 Main Engineering building.



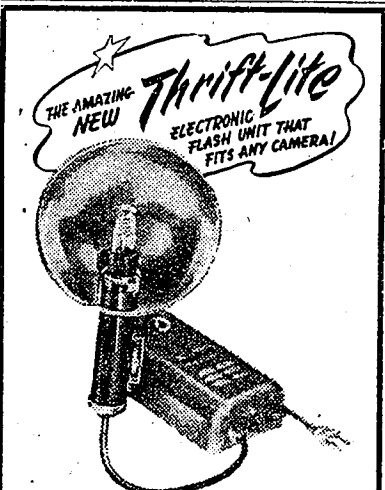
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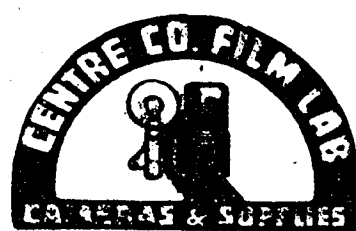
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14 Coeds Initiated Into Masquerettes

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Those initiated were Peggy Mayberry, Kajsja Craig, Jeanne Wiener, Rita Fein, Patricia Bowles, Marjorie Apter, Roberta Bleiler, Carla Christine, Kathleen Schlemmer, Natalie Adler, Anne Sweger, Hannah Sinoway, Sally Lou Jones, and Bea Fritz.

Newly elected officers are Micheline Claysmith, president; Jeanne Wiener, vice-president; Peggy Mayberry, secretary; Polly Potter, treasurer; and Sally Lou Jones, publicity chairman.

Senior Women To Meet Today

Senior women will be excused from classes from 3 to 5 p.m. today to attend a meeting in the main lounge of Simmons hall.

The meeting, which will begin at 3:15 p.m., is for the purpose of presenting information on commencement, on the alumnae association, and on the American Association of University Women. Margaret Disert of Wilson college, will be the guest speaker. A tea will follow the meeting.

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Correction

A dungaree drag square dance will be held in Recreation hall Saturday night from 9 to 12 o'clock.

Collegian erroneously stated yesterday that it would be held in the West dorm lounge.