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Coronate Campus Sweetheart Tomorrow Night

Name Trainor Top Librarian; Fills Post Vacated by Abrams

Miss Juliette Trainor, faculty adviser of the BEACON and assistant librarian at Paterson State since 1938, has been named Head Librarian of the college. Miss Trainor is also Chairman of Women's Activities at the college in charge of social activities, and holds the rank of Assistant Professor.



Miss Juliette Trainor

A graduate of New York University, Miss Trainor studied at the Sorbonne in Paris for two years, receiving her Master's from there, as well as another diploma. While in Paris she was one of the founders and first American editor of the International Students Magazine, published in French by students from twenty foreign countries.

After having taken library courses at Trenton State Teachers College for two summers, she received a New Jersey School Library certificate. In addition to other library courses, she is now taking work on the doctorate level at New York University.

She is a member of the New Jersey Library Association, and a charter member of the College and University Librarians' Section. She is also a charter member and member of the Executive Board of the Friends of the Richardson Public Library, where she first started her library career. After winning the George M. Lamante Scholarship for library courses based on a competitive exam, she took her first library course under Miss Dorothy Abrams, former PTC Librarian, in whose position she has now been appointed or Miss Abrams' resignation. Miss Trainor is also a "graduate" of Macy's in New York, where she was a personal shopper and interpreter in the book department for a year.

Best Kodak Pics Shown Wed. in B-1

Miss Joan Sternard, President of the Photography Club has announced that slides have been purchased from the Kodak Company of Rochester, New York, and will be shown to the student body in room B-1, Wednesday February 16th. The slides are an accumulation of the best pictures sent to the Kodak Company.

Paterson Concerns Bid Low for Campus Construction Work

Two Paterson concerns are among the low bidders on construction work for the proposed new classroom building to be erected on the Paterson State Teachers College campus, North Haileton, according to a news bulletin from the F. W. Dodge Corp. Official announcement of contract awards is expected to be made today in Trenton.

The proposed new structure, expected to cost \$600,000, will be a classroom building designed to provide facilities for 600 students.

Haas Releases Fresh Inventory

Did you know that the typical Paterson State freshman lives 6 miles from the college? That he spends 50 minutes daily traveling by bus to and from college at a weekly cost of \$1.75? That he devotes 15 hours a week in out-of-class studies, and is just as likely as not to be employed at some form of store work for 15 hours each week?

These and many other interesting facts were recently acquired in a survey by Professor Howard L. Haas, chairman of student activities at the college.

The purpose of this survey was to better understand the students and their problems. It is given every year to incoming freshmen.

Launch Beacon Poetry Contest

A college-wide poetry writing contest for college students announced and sponsored by the Paterson State Beacon will be launched today, at the Long Paterson Poetry Editor of the Beacon.

The competition is to known as the Beacon Poetry Award is open to all students in Paterson State. It will offer two tickets to the winning poet, to any Broadway play of his choice.

A contest such as this has a two-fold purpose: To encourage new writers to discover and bring to maturity their special poetic talents, and by this means to contribute to the steady advance of poetry's entertainment and educational standards.

The contest judge will be Mrs. Richard Burton of Englewood who is the author of a highly praised book of poems, *A Lack Went Singing*, and of a successful informal autobiography, *Three Parts Seach*. Mrs. Burton has taught creative writing courses at Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, and has conducted workshop groups for writers in several areas. She is in great demand as a judge for poetry contests.

Recognized as a superior craftsman (Continued on Page 5, Col. 4)

S.G.A. COUNCIL
MEETING DATES
JANUARY-MAY, 1950
Friday January 20
Friday February 17
Friday March 3
Friday March 24
Wednesday April 26
Friday May 19
Wednesday May 31

All meetings will be held in Room 211 at 10:45 A.M. All Members of the Council must attend all meetings unless excused in advance by the President and represented by a substitute. Failure to attend will be cause for expulsion.

Assembly Today Features Samuel

Mr. Frank T. Samuel, noted geopoliitian, will be the guest speaker at Paterson State Teachers College on February 10, 1950 at 10:45 A.M. His wide knowledge of world travel, military and business experience and study of global conditions make him an authoritative radio and platform speaker. He is a gifted speaker who talks vividly, factually, and directly, having several languages at his command.

The past predicts that Mr. Samuel has much which will depend upon the correlation of financial facts, military disposition, prevailing politics, geography and the consistent programs of strong governments, have proved true with startling accuracy.

Dramatic Club Selects Cast for Mystery Comedy

"Seven Keys to Baldpate" by George M. Cohen has been selected as the Majorce and Marson dramatic society presentation for Thursday and Friday evenings May 4th and 5th.

Students of all ranks and aspirations participated in the "tryouts" but the following people were judged the best qualified for the respective parts by Miss Greenaway, dramatic advisor. Miss Julie Schmitz, director, and William L. Knoll producer:

Edith Quimby, George Masserian; Mrs. Quimby, June Pennington; William E. Majorce, Gregg Heidner; John Eland, William Knoll; Mary Norton, Lynn Knoll; Mrs. Rhodes; Marjorie Brumley; Peters, the host; Duncan Jackson; Myrtie Thorsell; Betty Rapp; Lou Max; Jim Trione; Jim Carson; Bruce Gammie; Thomas Hayden; Charles Abate; Jiggs Kennedy; Jim Lawrence; The Owner of Baldpate; Dick Stock.

Voting all day in the cafeteria. Be sure you cast your vote.

Beauty to Reign Supreme At Annual Sophomore Hop Staters to Cast Final Vote Today; Expect Heavy Voting in Cafeteria



Virginia Axelson



Jane Battensfield



Colette De Vecchi



Barbara Hoffman



Jean Lanesh



Elmer Olsen

Hope to Increase Teachers Salary

Under legislation introduced by Assemblyman Virgil Vogel of Midvale, the minimum salary of teachers in the public school system would be increased from \$1200 to \$1250. It is expected that an administration bill with the same purpose will be introduced by a Republican legislator within the next two weeks.

D. Gillan to Head Debits and Credits

Daniel A. Gillan, a junior in the Business Education Department, was elected president of the Debits and Credits Club at a special meeting held Monday. Also elected were Charles Hinze, vice-president, Colette De Vecchi, secretary, and Richard Johnson, treasurer. Marlene Discio is member-at-large.

Phi Omega Psi Attends Theatre

The Phi Omega Psi Society under the leadership of Miss Emily Greenaway, will attend a theatre party February 25th to see the Saturday matinee of "Miss Liberty".

The members attending are: Mary Bodner, Dorothy Bernhard, Camelia Carreta, Esther De Groot, Jane Daubler, Mary Dimonella, Alfred Feter, Marlene Discio, Emily Gostar, Doris Mickiewicz, Davis Nickels, Lynn Fausten, Eleanor Root, Pat Ruffing, Eileen Sturtevant, Ruth Wipphusler, Pauline Walker, James Wheeler, and Ruth Walker.

Debaters Challenge Upsala and Newark

Michael Barnabian, Secretary of the Wightman Debating Society, has announced that challenges for the spring semester have been forwarded to Upsala College, Parkleigh Dickinson College and Newark State Teachers College this past week. Further, definite negative replies had been received in answer to the Society's challenges from Bloomfield College and Bergen Junior College. Newark State Teachers College failed to reply.

President Harold Seeley, referring to a communication from Mr. John M. Calfee of Deer University, stated that a radio engagement may be held at Morristown pending further negotiations.



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Cafeteria Etiquette

"Oh dear! I just got a run in my best stockings!"

"I'm sorry I bumped into you but my trouser cuff got caught on that chair and caused me to trip. I wish someone would do something about this terrible situation."

These quotations and many more like them (most of them much stronger), can be heard in the cafeteria almost any crowded lunch period. Nylons have been ruined, pants have been torn, and more important persons have received bodily injuries because a few heedless persons insist on placing the cafeteria chairs in such unnatural positions that two legs protrude into the aisle, blocking the passage way and creating a fire hazard.

These inconsiderate few give no thought to the consequences of their foolish method of securing a "seated seat" because they are so intent on informing the school that "they" have been lucky enough to secure resting places for one end of their anatomy, while the other end delicately devours nourishment.

Fortunately, nothing serious has yet happened as a result of their childish selfishness, but if we wish to save our lives as well as our nylons and our trousers, we had better get busy and rid State of this potentially dangerous situation. Let's start today to restore equilibrium to the carpenter's 4-legged creation and restore safety to our cafeteria.

Basketball Etiquette

Basketball season is now well on its way out. We have dealt primarily thus far with trying to increase school spirit. Proudly we admit that the school spirit in State has extended far beyond our expectations. State students have flocked to all games and cheered State through—in victory or defeat. But now a new problem has arrived. It is a very delicate problem, but one that cannot be put off any longer—the problem of our "basketball etiquette."

We must remember that we are a college, and the easiest way for us to lose a good reputation is by getting out of hand at a basketball game. We cannot forget that the opposing team and other guests are in the building, chalking black marks mentally for every "bad" yell. For every time we shout at the umpire, or scream when our opponents try a foul shot our guests add another black mark to the already growing list. It surely is not necessary to tell college students how to act at a game—or it shouldn't be necessary, and this is only written as a friendly reminder. We know that there are times when one simply must yell—but save that yell until our own team scores. By so doing the reputation of our school will be saved also. There is nothing bad or wrong when our team loses a game; the wrong comes only when we forget the proper basketball etiquette.

Proverbs

"A wise man knows everything; a clever one, everybody."
"Keep quiet and people will think you a philosopher."

Latin Proverb

PROVERB: "Before an affection is digested, consolation overcomes the pain; and after it is digested, it comes too late." —Shakespeare

Introducing . . .

by Guy Lott, Jr.

To the new students of Paterson State this column is dedicated in order that they may meet as time goes by, a few of the well established students already



Guy Lott

at State. It is with great regret that I cannot include more students in my column, but space does not permit me to do so.

The first in my series of introductions is a young man whom you all should meet, and probably will if you like looking around the halls and library, and going to Paterson State's basketball games. His name is John Bentz, and those of you who know him can well understand why he should make the list of students for this column.

John is gifted with that rare combination of a swell personality, all the common sense necessary, good looks, and a handsome figure. Who could ask for more? He was graduated from East Side High School, and immediately after his graduation joined the Navy. While in the Navy he spent most of his time in the Atlantic theater. When finally honorably discharged from service he began his work here at State, and is now a sophomore in the Business Administration department.

Active in extramural activities, John is Captain of the Men's Bowling Team, and proudly holds a high average as such. He was also a member of the "not too successful" Unknown Basketball Team which participated in the Extramurals. The team lost three games out of three, but as John proudly says, "It was fun trying."

And so, I take my hat off to John Bentz, an easy-going fellow with a sunny disposition—try an commanding student at State and one to be proud of.

A Path

By Guy Lott, Jr.
Dear God, I wish that there could

I path to follow; one I could see,
A path that's bright along the way,
One I could follow every day.

I've read of paths that went to Kora;
Kora say they're bright and crystal clear;

I've looked by oceans, lakes, and seas;

But all I see is cursed trees.

And so I only wish that You,

Would build a path that's straight and true;

A path that runs across the sea,

and take my hand, and lead me home.

Across the Desk

THE NONCHALANT TYPE

Never takes notes. Usually eats his lunch in class, and always sits in the back row. Sometimes he reads a paper during lecture, stopping only to look at the clock on the wall. Getting class is an every week affair. Gets third highest marks in class. Brings gorgeous girls to all school dances. Is secretly hated by all.



OVER-ZEALOUS GIRL — John all clubs and other activities available in school. If she isn't President, she is certain to be Vice-President. If a new organization is formed she is the first person to get in on all the inside dope. Completely neglects all school work. Gives long lectures to all clubs about certain matters when she receives "D's" in their class.



THE NOTE-TAKER — Sits at his desk and takes notes on everything his professor talks about even if it is about his operation. By the end of the term he has accumulated 200 pages for every subject. His expression is about running out of ink. Then when it comes time for his final examination, he borrows his neighbor's notes because he can't read his own.



THE APPLE POLISHER — Always sits in the front row and has his textbook ready in case his professor should ask for a copy. While at home he practices facial expressions in a mirror. He gets convictions when the professor calls juries. Is surprised at his final mark; always gets one grade lower than he thought he would.



HOMEWORK COPIER — Ten minutes before class starts he goes to one of the "A" students in class and copies all the necessary homework. Returns to class to say "Hello" to the professor. Proudly turns in his homework, after explaining to his neighbor how hard he worked on it. When graded and returned his grade is "A"; the student from whom he copied—"C".



THE GENIUS — Merely sits at his desk and does not move until the professor makes some profound statement too hard for the rest of the class to understand; then he shakes his head up and down. Never lets another student look at his homework. He studies continually for an "A" average. Has no friends except other geniuses. Knows about girls from books.

Poetry Contest

(Continued from Page One)

man and technician in the field of poetry. Mrs. Burton—whose poems are published under the name of Ruth Gullie Hardin—is also noted for her imaginative beauty and tenderness of her treatment of themes.

Rules for the contest are as follows: All entries must be original poems which have never been published; must be type-

written on strong white paper, double spaced and placed in the poetry box immediately above the Beacon Box in the back room of the Library. Any number of entries may be submitted regardless of length.

The poems will be judged for originality, freshness and ingenuity. The judges' decisions will be final. Duplicate prizes will be awarded in case of ties. Prize-winning entries will become the property of the State Beacon.

Bing's Things

by Harold "Bing" Stenner



Here is another year and another term. Nothing has changed around Paterson with the exception of some new faces being added to the staff. I like to imagine that I can see some change for the better. I think I can get a mental picture of some of these changes if I just say . . . no chairman involved just pure logic.

First of all there will be a Dean Jackson Day. If had it in the "Beacon" in order to pacify our Peabody brethren? The S.G.A. is now investigating a suitable date.

Secondly, I have a faint hunch that we may live to see the return of some college life at college. Life is supposed to be. Perhaps the Beacons the Freshmen will return. When a suggestion was made to me last year, concerning the wearing of Beards. I put it in my column . . . but, something may come of it since there are some people who are going to bring it up before the S.G.A. soon.

You may say that it doesn't require an overdose of grey matter to arrive at any of the above conclusions. Dean Jackson Day has been agreed upon, and all the Beards plan needs is a solid push. If those are your sentiments, you're right. It doesn't take a great deal of brains . . . but the question still revolves around whether or not we will be able to appreciate these changes when they come. In other words, let's start now . . . let's begin to make the necessary changes before we move to the new campus.

To prove to you that I'm not arriving at conclusions or making predictions out of thin air, I would like to make an even broader statement and give you the basis for the claims I make. To wit:

This school is about to witness a complete change in students and teachers. There will be such a radical change in student policy, (by the various student groups themselves), that it is safe to say that has never been done before, most people will fail to recognize its complete effect.

The reason I can make a statement such as that and be assured of almost certain confirmation in the near future, is because I have heard of the plans of a few student organizations in this school . . . notably among them is the Inter-Society-Council. This Council is solely responsible for laying down a set of principles by which all Societies and Frats will abide. Many of their plans are excellent, as is the organization itself, but the seeds have been sown. You may consider what I have put down here a little vague, but I would like to say that when this Council does make its move, you'll begin to believe you're really in college.

Now I'll ask you to use your reasoning power . . . if this organization was able to break down the barriers which surrounded the Frats and Societies which have existed, for the most part, for so many years, what is it that cannot be accomplished in this school? If the students get together? What predictions cannot be made? The future of this school lies in the ability of the students to see eye to eye.

Student Contributions**Essay on Teachers**

by George J. Amero

Believe it or not, this is one of the most important issues in America today. At this point in my composition I'm afraid that only persons who will agree with me are teachers themselves. Due to the fact that more people are engrossed in other affairs such as wars and rumors of wars, atom bombs, strikes, the increase in murders and robberies, etc. But when I have finished, I hope to have shown to all good reasons for my opening statement.

Using the definitive reasoning of the ancient Greeks I present the following syllogism.

1. The men and women of a country are its backbone.

2. The children of today are the men and women of tomorrow.

3. Therefore the children of today are the future backbone of America.

Backbone is defined as "the column of bones in the back which surround the frame". Without a correctly developed backbone, correctly developed men and women a nation collapses. Without correctly developed men and women a nation collapses. This is where our educational system enters in to its work.

Sculpture
Have you ever seen a sculptor take a piece of clay in his hands and mold it into various shapes? The clay is soft and pliable and reacts readily to his touch. In the manner the teacher, acting as the sculptor, molds the character of the child, which is likened to the clay, into whatever pattern he sees fit. Since the child has not yet been hardened by the hardness of life.

Some of the readers may think I am stretching the truth when I say that Hitler accomplished with the youth of Germany is today common knowledge. He molded them into nothing more than by killing and destroying without compensation, removed the very meaning of Christianity, the religion of their forefathers.

Today there is undoubtedly a pressing need for improvements in our school system. Of all the states in the Union only one, Arkansas, can boast of adequate educational facilities. The rest lack either numbers, schools, or equipment, but mainly the former.

Considering the great importance of proper education for children, this is indeed a sad situation for our country to be in.

Best Teachers

Since the character and education of children depend on their teachers, it follows that we should have the very best of our men and women as educators. But the small salaries offered them today repel rather than attract them to this field. This is a grievous error on the part of the people responsible for setting the wage levels. With billions of dollars going into research to produce the finest in equipment and machinery could not a little more money go toward the salaries of these teachers who are molding the children who will one day use this equipment? Is not the development of our future men and women just as important, if not more so, as the development of machines and other equipment? Certainly it is.

In closing let me thank you for your kind attention.

Faculty Favorite

by Marion Kirkland



Here's to her homework
That kept us busy.
Here's to our pastime,
That made us dizzy
Our Soap creation.
That made her joyful,
Here's to her smile.
That left us cheerful.

Here's to her pencil,
Here's to her chalk,
Here's to her soapbox.
That made us spry.
A tip of the hat,
A kiss and bow,
To that sweet lady,
Who showed us how.

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editor:

I am just one of the very many students who are interested in writing for the "BEACON" or in writing for the sake of writing itself.

I guess you will ask after the above statement, "Why don't you?" I know that anyone can write for the paper but I also know that there are many students, like myself, who do not know how to write an article.

Do not misunderstand me, I do not expect you to teach all the students (who are interested) how to write. I realize you are a very busy person with many responsibilities and teaching students how to write does not come among these responsibilities.

Recently there was a very lively correspondence held in the columns, that I thought should be brought to your attention. The subject was about the organization of a class in Journalism. There were more than enough students than is needed for a class, who were interested in such a class.

There are several members of the faculty, who, we believe, would be excellent in teaching Journalism.

I personally believe that a course in Journalism would be invaluable to us who are entering the teaching profession.

I would like to close this letter with one question:

"Can a course in Journalism be given?"

R. R.

Yes, if we bring enough pressure to bear upon the powers that be. The entire Beacon staff is behind you 100%. Be sure to read next week's Beacon.

Christopher**Cricket****Says . . .**

The scene of battle was in Dr. Shannon's classroom. It started out as a game. Two contestants were each given a pointer. They stood facing each other with a map of Africa hanging between them.

* The object of the game was to see which contestant could first find the place that Dr. Shannon said aloud. Everything was fine until Larry Osei from the back of the room shouted these endearing words . . . "On Guard" The battle was on . . .

Fashions

by Merlema

Tomorrow night one of the biggest events on Paterson State's Social Calendar will take place . . . the crowning of the "Sweetheart of the Campus" at the annual Sophomore Hop. Of the hundreds of girls who will attend this girls affair, six of the state's prettiest Sweethearts will be in the highlight most of the night. The models selected for their looks and their personalities, each girl will gracefully wear the colors and style given most flattering to her exceptional attributes. Here is a preview of what a few of State's "Handsome" girls will wear:

Jean Laramie's gown, with the new, up-to-date New Look in Green, the "ANNEE Length", is made of tulle net with a form fitting bodice and a wide flared skirt. It is strapless except for one strap artificially draped diagonally across the back and shoulder.

Patricia DeVecchia's gown is strapless, with a tight bodice, full skirt, and "A-line" bust. Her accessories will be black wrap-around strap sleeves and black gauntlet gloves.

Flowering this season's popular red velvet, Colleen DeVecchia's gown is strapless, with a tight bodice, full skirt, and "A-line" bust. Her accessories will be black wrap-around strap sleeves,

and black gauntlet gloves.

Patricia Greeneaway's gown, with the new, up-to-date New Look in Green, the "ANNEE Length", is made of tulle net with a form fitting bodice and a wide flared skirt. It is strapless except for one strap artificially draped diagonally across the back and shoulder.

Both beautiful and dashy. My true love must be.

Beautiful, so I'll love her,
Dashy, so she'll love me.

Far Away Places

Did those old eyes deceive me or was that Miss Greeneaway reading over papers in Miami Beach, complete with sun glasses, bathing suit and a frosty glass of Coke?

And speaking of Miss Greeneaway, the students should know she wrote a very good novel entitled "Sweetpeas" (available at Paterson Public Library). When her mother read the book she was pleased because of the sweet characters portrayed by her daughter. Answered Miss Greeneaway, "Why, mother, they are all our relatives."

Jane Perkins was the lucky girl who won the radio raffled off by the Gamma Phi Lambda society. When she heard she won it, she promptly kissed Rose Klopke, who sold her the winning ticket.

It seems the top time around P.S.C. these days is "Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend" Judging from all the "sparklers" we've been noticing on the "third finger", isn't most of several of our fair damsels since the Christmas vacation?

Twins

Mathematics playing by Vince Marcelli at the John Marshall vs. State basketball game was not the only thing that brought out the city's best. Then the giant spectators, Emily Gisler and her date George Decamp, brought out a few diamonds, when they appeared in their white sweater.

I don't like to admit it, but the other day I was peaking at Mr. Miller's mid-term. Like of Civilization exam and I noticed that one of our ever-practical people had written, as a definition of Neuschwanstein . . . "A floating garden in the Mediterranean." Better keep both eyes open this term!

and consequently, glimpse into what we may expect to be doing when we too are proved human.

