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Bardian Taps Reserve Fund; Declared Unconstitutional By Committee--Austerity Program Advised For One Semester

EPC Extends Plan

The administration will be included in the Educational Policy Committee's enlarged plan to help instructors improve their teachings by the issuance of faculty evaluation sheets. Considered student opinion will be available to the administration whereas before only the faculty and students were concerned. EPC will cooperate with both the faculty and administration in formulating the new sheets.

EPC also acts as a conciliatory body adjusting differences between student and instructor, providing a stronger link between student, faculty and administration. The Bard "no cut" system is enforced by a second committee.

An autonomous body, EPC is responsible only to convocation. Since much of its business is confidential, all its dealings are not made public. The 12 members of the committee, three elected from each division by the students, serve for one year. Candidates are elected each term, the stagger system being used, and are nominated by EPC, the faculty of each division and from the floor of the meeting.

The officers are Norman Alling, President; Joanne Pines, Secretary; Mary Kahler, Chairman of Absence Committee; Steve Montgomery, Chairman of Complaint Committee.

B. M.

Hoopsters Win!

Thurs., Mar. 1, 1951 . . .

Bard College defeated the Red Hook Royals in a full time basketball game this evening at the Bard gym. The final score was 61 to 51. The game was close all the way with Bard trailing till the fourth period. Then, under perpetual passing attack and assault on the Red Hook zone defense, Bard emerged with a decent margin to win.

The passing by Bard was rather sloppy and wide while Red Hook's passes sizzled with speed and accuracy. Bard and Red Hook both used zone defense and passed around the center and forwards. Only Bard could put the ball near the ring with any amount of skill. Red Hook's Lewis and Moul were the only ones able to keep the score ahead but both tired during the fourth period.

Hoopsters Lose

In the second engagement of the season, the Bard hoopsters lost to Pine Plains, as this issue goes to press.

Terming the "future existence of the Bardian" not a permanent improvement to the school, the Constitutional Committee reversed the decision of Convocation, last Wednesday, March 7.

At that Convocation, Martin Johnson, editor-in-chief, read a statement and proposed an amendment to the budget, asking for \$221.75 from the reserve fund which is to be tapped *only* for permanent improvements. Johnson stated, however, that the Bardian would fold if solvency was not assured. He considered the promise of a future Bardian a permanent improvement to the college.

Jack MacAdie, on the other hand, believed that the Bardian could and should publish only five issues this term. In this way the Bardian would maintain good faith with the community, he said.

Opposing MacAdie, Pete Stone argued that the Bardian was obligated to publish seven issues this term, because of advertising contracted on a yearly basis. Stone challenged MacAdie on grounds that the reaction from advertisers would not be favorable, if the Bardian breached its contract and returned their money. Also, he said, the Bardian returned \$185 to the reserve fund due to an oversight of a delayed bill for \$221.75.

After much parliamentary wrangling, Convocation passed Johnson's amendment requesting that the demanded sum be taken from the reserve fund.

At the same meeting, the Entertainment Committee suffered a cut of \$100 which was designated to the Literature Club, and an additional \$40 cut allocated to the Music Club. The rest of the budget was passed intact.

Lynck Goes Co-op...*Maybe*

For many years the Bard College store has been the target of angry Bardians who were unwilling to pay the high prices which compare unfavorably with retail prices in Red Hook. Time and again, aroused groups of students demanded an investigation of the college store and many wondered whether a community co-op store would not be cheaper to operate and more in keeping with Bard.

At the Community Council meeting on February 26, 1951, Nancy Gulick introduced the following motion: "I move that Community Council make an inquiry into the operational efficiency of the College Store by appointing a committee consisting of: Joanne Maaloe, Robert Ladd, Jack MacAdie, Don Lasser and Nancy Gulick."

During the discussion that followed, President Case stated that he favored a thorough inquiry into the feasibility of a co-op store at Bard. He offered to surrender all books and files to the

committee and to request Mr. Hayes to explain the books. But he objected to the tone of the motion, because its stated objective was not to consider the advantage of having a co-op store but to cast doubt on the Administration's efficient handling of the present situation. He settled once for all a perennial question by disclosing that the Bard College store is a non-profit organization which operates on deficit year after year.

Taking into consideration President Case's clarifications, Charlie Naef requested his Council representative to introduce the following substitute motion: "We, the undersigned, move that a committee be set up to inquire into the feasibility of a community co-op store by appointing a committee consisting of: Joanne Maaloe, Robert Ladd, Jack MacAdie, Don Lasser and Nancy Gulick." After some more discussion the substitute motion was passed.

CRN

BARD SURVEY REMODELS C.G.

Unnoticed by the community, the Bard Survey, directed by Miss Ruth Gillard and composed of Naomi Bellinson, Kit Kauders, David Schwab, Whitney Bolton and Dick Muller, is meeting once a week every Friday morning at 9 a. m. in Hegeman 301.

The members of this committee (we better call it a class, for they earn regular Bard credits for their work) are entrusted the difficult task of streamlining the mechanism of our CG. During the

last Field Period, the same group visited Antioch, Sarah Lawrence, Marlborough and Mount Holyoke colleges where they studied the Community or Student Government set-ups.

In order to achieve the best possible result in writing a new Bard CG Constitution, they encourage all members of the community to attend their open meetings and to make suggestions and voice their criticism.

CRN

SDA Chairman Quits

Richter Resigns; Sees No Hope For SDA At Bard

Bard College
Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y.
March 4, 1951

Mr. Al Ettinger
Students for Democratic Action
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Ettinger:

I am now resigning as Chairman of the Bard College Chapter of SDA, and ceasing all my activities in the same Chapter for the following reasons:

I no longer believe that the existence at Bard of *any* official, permanently organized political group is beneficial in any way to the Bard Community. Ours is a small, thoroughly democratic campus with a generally progressive outlook. The Bard SDA has no organized opposition to keep it on its toes; no campus issues to take action upon. And the discussions and meetings and activities which SDA Chapters sponsor at other colleges with great success are carried on here at Bard under other auspices, while our location makes it impossible for the Bard membership to contribute significantly to the activities of the New York SDA Region.

The Bard SDA will probably elect a new Chairman soon if it can manage to get a quorum of nine members together at one time and place. The leadership will likely remain largely the same as before. But I doubt that the Chapter will find much to do in the way of worthwhile constructive activity, because it seems to me that *fundamentally there is no need for it at Bard* . . .

Sincerely,

Maurice N. Richter, Jr.

For reply . . . see next issue (Ed.)

EDITORIAL: Bored Politicians Shun Convocation; Self-discipline Needed If Bard Is To Survive

The Bard Survey is working hard to streamline the mechanism of our Community Government (CG). Simultaneously, Convocation tries frantically to reduce its 40% quorum to 25%. The opposition has not yet had a chance to speak up, for the advocates of the 25% quorum rule have not been able to gather a 40% quorum in order

to change the by-law. A 25% quorum is an obvious hoax which would give 13% of the community the right to govern the rest. A 40% quorum is more democratic but far from satisfactory. But it is foolhardy to believe that the remedy to our ailing CG lies in quorum rules.

Adequate school spirit and adult ma-

turity are lacking. During the last Convocation meeting, when many Bardians were waiting for a quorum to assemble, four "coffee-shop strategists" sat in the store airing their grievances about Bard. Two other students perused page 38 of yesterday's *New York Times*, while another sat solitarily in a corner gazing into space—(He must be

a philosopher.) In the dorm next-door three valiant Bardians were snoring; they had "discussed" the problems of Convocation until four o'clock in the morning. An International Relations major, when asked why he didn't go to Convocation retorted: "I'm not (Continued Page 2, Column 1)"

The Bardian

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Editorial

Perhaps the left-handed compliment is a technique used by the treacherous and destructive types in our society, but occasionally this method can be constructive. Sometimes it clears the air of apathy, bringing some clear issues into bas-relief, to which one can feel and respond.

Bard is developing "school spirit." Good publicity has made it a selective institution with higher standards than before. Bard is quiet. This can be considered almost a silence compared to years past. Coinciding with this silence we have a spirit; a spirit so reminiscent of high school and prep school days. One feels the intellectual angles are planed down to soft easy curves with the vestige of former activity lying dormant as a heap of saw-dust on the floor.

Perhaps there should be a separation of words like "intellect" and "creative intelligence"; "spirit" and "attitude." Then again, perhaps these are not the proper terms. Instead, let's take a look at the slow, regular exodus on the part of some important faculty members over a three year period. There may be more.

What is lulling us into this state of inactivity? Yes, we are developing something new that may grow in a constructive fashion, but the old vitality is being displaced; not by anything malignant, but by something stagnant. The mistakes of the past have been partially corrected . . . but perhaps what we have now is the natural evolution of the species known as "Progressive Schools."

Miss Brandeis' course on Bard Studies was discontinued. Why was there not greater interest shown for this sort of thing?

EDITORIAL--Cont. from page 1

interested in politics." Poor guy—he better become an archeologist!

This sounds so pathetic that one should laugh if it were not true. The roving reporter from the Bardian also found the Library open, the store open, the Administration building open and the Faculty Policy Committee in session during the sacred hour of the all-Bardian Convocation. Blame must fall on the individual student, the faculty, the Administration and the officers of Convocation alike.

It is time that we realize that liberty and self-government entail responsibility and discipline. Too many Bardians hang on to the fallacious 19th century notion that liberty is synonymous with 'laissez faire.' Unless our desire for self-determination is translated into a will for self-regulation, we better hand back our CG to the Administration which will do a more competent and conscientious job. If Bard individualism has its roots in juvenile rebellion against higher authority and a pseudo-individualistic 'Who the hell cares!' attitude, it deserves to be dictated and disciplined.

Therein lies the problem Bard must face during the coming years. Academically, the Bard system has proved itself. Its revolutionary educational policies are being adopted gradually by other institutions of higher learning. Now we must till the soil so that the seed of social responsibility may grow. Bard's problem is analogous to the problem facing Western civilization. The rationalism of enlightenment prepared the way for democracy. Still suffering from its early birth pangs, democracy must grow in social, economic and political responsibility if it is to survive and if the civilization whence it sprang is not to die of childbirth.

Similarly, Bard's academic achievements can be safeguarded and perpetuated only if the community develops a spirit of unity and civic responsibility strong enough to give purposeful meaning to intellectual diversification leading, otherwise, to negativist atomization. If we succeed in that attempt, we will have justified the Bard ideal; if we fail, Bard will have to revert back to conventionality.

Though the Bard Survey is doing an admirable job in evaluating the institutional apparatus of our CG, it is hardly scratching the surface of the problem. The Bardian calls for another committee, appointed by President Case and representing students and faculty alike. This committee should not be hamstrung by immediate practical problems to be solved. Taking a long-range point of view, it must not be afraid to face new ideas which may conflict with the stagnant status quo at Bard. We urge the President and the Community to give serious thought to this matter.

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Tides and Trends

by CHARLES NAEF

The Crumbling Soviet Empire

Future historians may view the 'Korean Crisis' as the first of a series of developments leading to the decline and fall of the Soviet empire. In this and successive columns special attention will be focused on the failure of the Soviet dream for their next 'millennium'. This will bring disillusionment to its dreamers and ultimate disaster to its conceivers.

'Titoism' is one of the cancers growing within the Soviet organism. With the help of some of our foreign students we shall diagnose this current disease on the European continent.

GERMANY:

The former editor of the official Communist Party organ for Western Germany invited anti-Soviet Communists to rally around his rebel party in an 'International of Titoist parties.' He stretched the term 'Titoist' to include 'Trotskyists,' left-wing Socialists ostracized by their parties—in short, any radical group deviating from the Kremlin line.

(Herbert Speckner, Gunther Remmling)

ITALY:

More than 70 high-ranking Communist Party functionaries declared that Italy should resist aggression from "any part." They plan to start an independent movement harboring all radicals opposed to Soviet imperialism.

(Roberto Ottolenghi)

FRANCE:

Communist Party enrollment in France has decreased by 30 per cent since 1946, the peak year of their electoral strength. This is due rather to the international situation than to any improvement in the economic and political situation of the country. Since the Communist aggression in Korea, it seems that the French people are more aware of Communist hypocrisy in conducting Peace campaigns. At this time there is no broad popular basis for a 'Titoist' movement, though various Communist intellectuals are advocating it.

(Gerard Abensour)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA:

The deep-rooted hatred of the Czechoslovakian people toward their Moscow masters is clearly seen in the resistance of the non-Communists as well as of some Communist Party leaders. The latter has been proved by the purges and mass arrests to which the Party has had to resort. The reason for this unpopular action was the growing deviation of many members, all of whom were influenced by the democratic and humanist spirit of Thomas G. Masaryk, the father of the independent Czechoslovakian Republic.

The outstanding figure among this group is the former Communist Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis whose expulsion and arrest testify to Stalin's fear of the Party's 'old guard.'

(Julius E. Fried, Paul Kolda)

YUGOSLAVIA:

Tito declared recently that Yugoslavia was willing and capable of resisting any act of aggression from Stalin's satellites. Not only lack they the necessary military strength, he remarked, but also the moral conviction which is the backbone of any, victorious army.

1952 Bandwagon

Governor Dewey and Senator Duff controlling the delegates to the Republican National Convention from the two largest states, now favor Eisenhower for President . . .

Usually informed sources claim that Truman will not seek reelection . . . Main reason: Bess Truman . . . Allegedly, his current ambition is to unseat Senator Kem of Missouri, one of his staunchest Republican critics.

House Cleaning . . .

Gambling and political favoritism are continuously corrupting the American body politic. Senator Estes Kefauver's (Ky. Dem.) Crime (and Gambling) Investigating Committee and Senators Fulbright's (Ark. Dem.) and Paul Douglas' (Ill. Dem.) inquiry into RFC (Reconstruction Finance Corporation) loans fill a timely need. Truman made a grave mistake in covering up for the RFC. He should be thankful that Democrats have taken the initiative in a field that would lend itself to political exploitation by Republicans. (The RFC, by the way, is not one of Roosevelt's alphabetical agencies but dates back to Pres. Hoover's days. Having outlived its original purpose of bolstering the depression-ridden economy long ago, it is now "a political trading bureau," according to Senator Tobey (R., N. H.) Tobey asked outrightly for the abolition of the RFC, since it was abused by politicians of both parties.

At A Glance . . .

Russia is spending three times as much on jamming the Voice of America as Congress spends on the 'Voice' . . .

John Foster Dulles predicts that we will have a Peace Treaty with Japan before the end of 1951 . . .

Prediction . . .

The hostilities in Korea will come to an end soon, with the gradual retreat of the 'Chinese Volunteers.' Chinese and North Korean casualties have run up to 624,000, while the UN forces suffered only 48,000. Mao Tse-Tung feels that the Chinese-Communist economy and morale can no longer stand this spectacular waste of material and manpower resources.

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Pete Says . . .

NEWS ITEM: "Big-time gamblers arraigned on fix of collegiate basketball. Seven players rounded up in largest sports' scandal of decade."

Big Shel dropped the paper. He mashed out the over-worked butt and turned to the others. For the first time he noticed the symptoms of the crack-up on their sweat-stained faces. "This ain't so good," he said dully.

Ho Ho Honig scratched his head; the others looked at him, knowing this gesture was the forerunner of something big. The words flowed easily, punctuated by smoke twin-streaming from his nostrils: "Yeah!"

Petesie-boy looked around. "I was wonderin'." Maybe the smartest thing would be to forget about the next few set-ups."

Big Shel wheeled, disgust written in mono-syllables over his face. He postponed the investigation of his nose. "Smart! Smart! You snook! I already layed off three-oh-oh with Solly. He's probably with Long Mort and the Greatneck Bounce now.

Ho Ho twitched his own kind of twitch: "Maybe they seen the papers and nixed!"

Longplaying Shoim snickered, "Papers? Ha! Those two don't even know whether to read the white or the black part!" He snickered again, setting off a cacophony of hilarity.

"All right," Big Shel growled, "Cut the yaks! If those city badges show we'll all pot for a few seasons. And Jamaica opens in forty-three days."

A grimace discolored Petesie-boy's face: "I'm not hip on these matching stripes myself. I hear rumors the black-jack runner in Vegas is still a little punchy from the A-blasts. That's a oneinalifetime."

Longplaying Shoim sqirmed at the thought of a legal postponement. "I'll say. And Doc said the new shipment of chocolate-coated reefers for the faculty kids is due in next week."

Ho Ho blanched: "Doc? I don't trust him. I'll lay six-two-and-even he found a precinct and canaried!"

Big Shel laughed easily. "Who Fields the Knife? Naa! Remember what he did for you, LP?" (Long-playing blushed) "I almost mugged you before I recognized who it was. I'm still not sure it's you."

"Yeah? Well, I can prove it's me. I'm still carrying that load of happy-dust in my bi-cuspid."

Petesie-boy brought his thoughts back to the smoke-filled room. "Oh-yeah. I meant to unload that during volley-ball last week. Eat on the other side for a few days more, LP."

The door swung open like a slap in the face. Phat Phillips panted into the room: "Boy what a sprint. I don't think I can do it, boys."

"What?" Big Shel's eyes refused to blink. "You'll do it, Phat, or . . ."

"Sorry, Shell, but that shuffle-board is as hard to touch as a Freshman after 11:30. They still remember the Swancheck-Jones dive in '48."

Big Shel spat. "They'll go. I sent Solly around yesterday with a little persuasion. If they don't fix that board I'll shoot their spaghetti pot so full of windows they'll . . ."

"That's a little rough, Big," said Shoim, carefully nudging the words across the floor with his foot. "Why not just dirty the beer pipes or something."

"You think I like this rough-stuff? But things are closing up. Yesterday I put a quarter on the fourth at Tropical with Solly and he had to lay off a dime with the DeLuccia boys up the street."

Ho Ho pulled up a disappearing sock from the back of his lead-tipped loafers. "Yeah, that's tough."

Petesie-boy started to pick his way carefully over the extended legs. "I wish Doc would get back. All this stuff is peanuts compared to this casaba fix. If Vassar takes us at Basketball we all stand to clear a wad." The door opened and Doc backed in.

"Hey! Here's Fields the Knife!"

"Well, doc, what's up?"

"It's bad, boys," he managed to say between syringe-stab and flinch. Braced by the artillery, he continued: "The law nabbed Solly with the green in his paint-box."

"All of it?"

"Every last peseta. And I just saw Long Mort and the Greatneck Bounce. If they don't get theirs they'll howl."

Longplaying whimpered. "I'm worried. If this fix goes, the next thing you know we'll lose the poker, dice, book, numbers, and debating club shil too."

Big Shel cleared his face for action. "The boys in blue'll be here any minute. There's only one way out."

"What? What?" Phat Phillips was on top of him.

"You boys know I wouldn't suggest this if there was any other way. But this is the pay. Everybody! Sit down!" The boys remained seated.

Ho Ho slumped to question-mark position, mirroring his mood. "What's the idea?"

"Just this. Longplaying . . . pass out text books. No . . . not those long-odds tables, you crum . . . the square stuff."

LP looked squeamish. "You mean those . . . heavy ones?"

Fields the Knife rebared his needle. "The ones with . . . ugh . . . no pictures?"

Big Shel squared himself. "I'm sorry boys, but here's our out. O.K. men . . . open those things and fake it!" Shel grabed a book—a thin one, it must be noted—and joined the rest. Soon the smoke was only a feeling that lingered in the corners.

Pete



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The BCFD

by
EMMETT O'BRIEN, Jr.
Assistant Chief

Every Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock, members of the community may see the Bard College Fire Department, Inc. in the midst of a drill.

These drills are for the express purpose of training members of the department in the use of the various equipment the BCFD owns. It is a volunteer organization that began in 1945 under the leadership of George Blackstone, and since then has been one of the most active organizations on the campus.

It is the only organization on campus in which election by the organization itself is necessary for membership. It is a fraternal organization, but only in the same sense as is any other volunteer fire department in this country.

The Department has two engines; the first a 400 gallon water tank truck, the other a pumping unit which was bought by the members of the group themselves in 1948. Throughout the year, drills are held on every campus building, in order to familiarize the members with the procedure of what to do when fire strikes.

The training the members receive was responsible for the speedy action taken to control the fire at Gray Cottage last year. But at meetings of the Dutchess County Volunteer Firemen, murmurs can still be heard about the Department in Annandale that entered a building without a nozzle on a hose line.

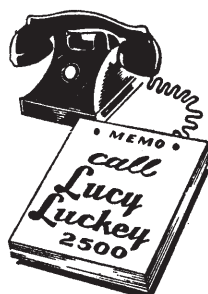
"Think Before You Act" is the motto of the Department and every member is responsible for knowledge of all equipment that is owned. Each man is trained with the idea that he is a potential chief and may at one time have to know everything possible about fire fighting.

Many members of the community remember the antics of Chris Magee and John Rice after Department parties, particularly weaving around with ladders trying to climb into the window of their rooms after having been locked out.

The department is an integral part of the New York State Mutual Aid fire-fighting set-up, having aided the Town of Red Hook several times last year. All its officers belong to the Mid-Hudson-Harlem Valley Fire Chief's Association, and many of its members have active membership in the Dutchess County Volunteer Fireman's Association.

Several times a year, loud noises on Friday nights may be heard in the vicinity of the Fire House. There should be no cause for alarm, as it is only one of the stag parties that are held by the group. These are times when the members express personal gripes about one another—thereby joining closer together in comradeship, because sometime they might be called upon to save that person, or obey his command.

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Theatre Benefit

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You'll be doing yourself two favors. You'll see a good play by one of America's foremost playwrights and you'll be helping good ol' Bard College. We're a charitable group of scholars up here on the Hudson and when a chance comes along to help ourselves, we're going to get behind it.

A bus will leave Bard on Thursday evening, March 22, 1951 to take Bardians to New York for "The Autumn Garden." The tickets are either \$6.40 or \$5.20 or \$7.00, or if you're really in the chips see Marlene, Paul or Whitney.

The BARDIAN will only be able to publish seven 4-page issues this semester. This is due to our extremely limited financial resources. We ask your forbearance.

The Editors

Letter to the Editor

The music club would like to express its genuine appreciation to Tommy Lillian for her fine work as President of the club last semester. We should also like to take this opportunity to bring to the attention of many of our new students the purpose of the club and its general plans for the rest of the semester.

The music club like other clubs on campus has no fixed membership but draws its support from the community, in other words, if you are a member of Bard College, you are also a potential member of the music club. The sessions which in the past have consisted mostly of listening to records of serious music are informal and have provided for many an opportunity for study.

We shall continue to place an emphasis on music which is not found in the average collection and which the average music appreciator is not given an opportunity to hear. If possible, we should like this year to bring some discussion from the members on the music being played and to relate our individual programs to a fixed idea.

Our meetings will continue to be held Sunday evenings at 7.30 in Albee social.

J. B. Kennedy, president

Williams, Stevens, Burke To Speak at Lit Weekend

After finding the South Hall door closed to all but the permanent residents of that lovely pink house (the house meeting still in progress) the members of the Literary Club beat a hasty retreat through the snow, converging on Albee Social, only to find that the Students for Democratic Action had also taken a fancy to that meeting place. The battle was short. The Literary Club infiltrated their ranks, until through the sheer weight of numbers, a victory was established.

After elections in which D. Newman was re-elected chairman and Clarrisa Hall elected secretary, the Club drew up plans for a full semester of activities. Foremost among these plans was for the Literature Weekend to be held on Charter Day, now defined as the last weekend in March. It was announced that among the speakers obtained to discuss the topic *The Relation of Poetry and Prose* were William Carlos Williams, poet and short-story writer, Wallace Stevens, poet (he will also receive an honorary degree from the college), and Kenneth Burke, philosopher and literary critic. Plans to invite other guests, writers and students, and plans for the actual program of the weekend were also discussed.

It was further decided at this first meeting to extend the Friday night meetings initiated last semester. A suggestion was made to center all the meet-

ings about a definite topic, the development of tragedy, but objections were made and sustained by the majority. It was felt that random meetings would be more valuable both as entertainment and as a group activity. Also, it was suggested that other meetings be held during the week for outside lectures and for readings of student and faculty creative work. Another plan included the possibility for organizing a conference among all the art groups on campus that would discuss problems of criticism and expression similar to all the fields.

Since that first meeting, a reading of student work was held last Thursday, March 8, in which the poems and stories of Janet Smith, Andy Ashlund, Barbara Barling, Bill Walker, D. Newman and Peter Stone were read and partially discussed. Also, a meeting was held the next night, Friday, the 9th, to read the poems, letters and art-criticism of Ranier Maria Rilke.

Thus, through the first meetings and through the generosity of Convocation in providing funds adequate to the needs of the Literature Club, a program has begun that should bring to the attention of the Community important people and ideas in the literary field and should bring together those people interested in creative work, who, were it not for such a meeting ground, might remain withdrawn and without roots in community life.

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Music Club Plans Unfamiliar Contemp Works

The music club, meeting Sunday evening at 7.30 in the social room of Albee Hall, has initiated this semester's recorded concerts with works by Mozart, Bartok, Stravinsky, and Mahler.

Eric Mahler's "Eighth Symphony," heard on March 4, is the first of a large group of unfamiliar, contemporary works to be brought to listeners this term. Early music of the 12 through 17 centuries and the well known compositions of the 18 and 19 centuries have also been programed.

Plans are being made, revealed Jack Kennedy, the club's newly-inaugurated president, to record the works of composers on campus. The music Club hopes to arrange a concert of compositions written by students and teachers of Bard.

Following the overwhelming response of last year, the Music Club has invited Cynthia Gooding, charming songstress of American and European folk-lore to sing again at the International Weekend festival of April 13-15.

Poem

She used to sing in another language
When Mother sang it would fill the house

I ran, because I heard the strangeness
I was frightened, because she looked so alone
Standing before the mirror
As if it was a crowd

When Mother saw me
The singing stopped
When she put on her glasses
I knew her again

Two white circles on her face
And I could not see her eyes
I wanted to ask her why that was
But her hand over mine was so very cold

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