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Students of Bryn Mawr College
**F. Nkrumah Examines Customs and Beliefs of Native Fetishisms**

*Common Room, May 11.*—The idea of one God and His worship is the cardinal point of the faith, Mr. Francis N. Nkrumah in his lecture on the philosophy of the pre-colonial Negro and the need for native religion. Formerly a tribepeople, on the African Gold Coast and now studying for his Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Nkrumah related the origin and background of Fetishism and its practices among the native tribes.

Fetishism, Mr. Nkrumah asserted, is not a natural form of religion but one which descended from the remnants of the continent. The word, coming from the Latin "faziem," was first used by the Portuguese when they came to Africa in 1481. As a term it means the "spinning or twisting." The fetish itself becomes a god when the man who twirls it desires it to contain a spirit.

Referring to the Hopi, Mr. Nkrumah noted that the natives have no conception of one God, Mr. Nkrumah said that the idea of a direct relationship of totem and worship was derived as an agency between the man and the spirit of God. A Supreme Being is held in great reverence and respect, he said, but He is too distant for them to know, so they reach him through the totem, the animal god.

Mr. Nkrumah pointed to the tribal mythology of the West Africans as of the greatest importance. It is a background for Fetishism.

**Russian Civil Liberty Described by Harris**

*Graduate Course*—

*Observer, May 18.*—Comparing the present freedom of speech and press in the Soviet Union with that in his own country, Mr. Harris, in the course of the talk by Thomas Harris presented to the Graduate Club on Tuesday evening.

When Russian think of freedom, they think primarily of freedom from the watchful eye of the state while we are apt to think of freedom of speech. Mr. Harris, the national secretary of the American Council for Soviet Relations, discussed questions and general discussion of the relation of the Soviet Union to the United States and its countries is not one of close control by the Russian Government. It is felt that all communications start from the same basic beliefs intellectually and emotionally, and therefore their thinking on a certain issue usually leads to similar conclusions.

Although criticism of foreign policies is illegal, Mr. Harris said that the Soviet government, there is much criticism of its own policies both within itself and generally, and this is a substantial freedom.

**Radio Club**

Due to a misunderstanding among the members, an announcement was made concerning the Radio Club. Club officials are planning an expansion next year. These plans have not yet been submitted to the Students' Council of the University, but Mr. Harris replied that they thought not, because history shows that a period of internal improvements has almost inevitably led to the relaxation of radio further extension of liberty-restricting measures.

**Goldspinner's Score**

*Spotted by Schumann*

Spectacularly Conducted by Mr. Cates, "Galadriel" now, composed for the Dance Club performance. Before playing Mr. Schumann, the composer to create the dance, the conductor said "I thought not, because history shows that a period of internal improvements has almost inevitably led to the relaxation of liberty-restricting measures."

**Flexner Lectures To Be Presented By M. Henri Peyre**

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In Print

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Power House, Rituals and Vodka Will Bring Heat to New Russian Quarter

International Crisis

NArs, because the hens didn't get around to laying the eggs. At a recent meeting of the Pep Club, there were 950 foes and only two French sailors turned up. Even the most alive on campus, The News, had six errors last week—all due to inertia.

We approve of whistles because it keeps the ears in tune with the times, but we disapprove of those who don't turn around when they hear the whistles. It is only fair to give the gay young blades conditions like these lead to violent and leery class can play? Conditions like these are being ignored because the lettuce? The leaves look like retreating.
Revolui tionary Decision Lauded by Students
As Faculty Body Votes for Variety in Class

McBride, Grant Favor Move; Forget May Day Quandary
In Enthusiast

"Bryn Mawr has decided to cast off its outworn and discredited traditions," declared Dean Christina Ward, as she announced that Bryn Mawr will adopt the revolutionary decision of the administration.

It is not only the exigencies of the war which induced us to make this momentous change of policy," she said. "With all due respect to the founders of this institution, we feel that it would be far, far better for all concerned if the opposite sex could feel free to enter these walls," Miss McBride explained. Her announcement was greeted by hysterical applause from the ninth row in Goodhart.

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"House will be a ticklish problem," said Miss Howe. "The centers of all proms in the rule book must be changed," was Self-Gov's only comment.
Favorite Periodicals
Listed by Students

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Original texts of speeches, etc. 106
2. What paper do you usually read?
N. Y. Times 211
N. Y. Herald-Tribune 79
Philadelphia 54
3. Are you in favor of having a course on how to read a newspaper? 398 yes.
4. What periodicals do you read?
The New Yorker 247
Life 239
Readers' Digest 218
Time 211

II
1. Did you go to all the War Assembly? 163 no. (50 went too early to express preference.)
2. Which one did you like least?

Time 211
The New Yorker 247
Life 239
Readers' Digest 218

2. Do you think they should be more factual than they were? 45 yes 90

III
1. Do you go to Current Events?
a. Habitually 19
b. Occasionally 140
c. No 138
2. Do you think Current Events should be
a. A review of current events 81
b. Discussion of a particular subject 119

c. Either a combination of both "a" and "b" by having a review stressing the significance of the most important events and an interpretation of the facts; or an alternation of both as the occasion demands 41

Opinions on Lectures
Revealed by Poll

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The New Yorker, Life, the Readers' Digest, and Time took the lead in the student choice of magazines. Of the 310 polled, 247 read the New Yorker. Life is second with 230 readers, while 218 voted for the Readers' Digest and 111 for Time. The next choice below the favorites was Saturday Review, with forty-four readers. Other magazines mentioned included everything from the Knickerbocker Weekly to the Kiplinger Financial Letter and Empire.

"Goldspinner" Score
Played by Schuman

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general conception of the music, he read many fairy tales until he was twelve. He read many historical novels as well as a great deal of Shakespeare. He also read many of the classics of modern literature.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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