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## SHour. discussion co:

The evaluation of the discussion group at the College and its systen made by Henry Spitz in his criticism in this issue of The Campus is a conmend-
able one. Before discussing the merits and demerits able one. Before discussing the merits and demerits of the report as we see it, one salient factor must be
kept in mind-this new system four times. Its infancy, figuratively speaking in the various procedures and forms of speech and debate must of necessity occasion criticism in order that the method should gradually mature.

To transfer the control of the discussion group to the hands of the Public Speaking department, to narrow the field of argument from the outset and to corporate certain debate technique into the dis tions offered.

From the beginning, an erroneous hypothesis is adopted. Professor Overstreet and not the Philosophy department guides the discussion group. To defavor of the Public Speaking department would hardly be advisable. There should be little controversy on this score we think and yet, throughout the versy on this score we think and yet, throughout the
evaluation, this seems to be the dominant factor We would go so far as to suggest that not one man nor even one department but that all those interested in the project and the many departments of the College could serve in developing the new art ColPublic Speaking department can play its part in stresPubbic Speaking department can play its part in stres-
sing and developing the style and manner of speech on the floor. It could develop that desired element on the floor. It could develop that desired element of grace, conversational ease, suavity and informality. The fhlosophy departnat could encourage the logical analysis of the topic by the discussion group and create an insight for detecting fallacious arguments and irrelevancies. The Government and Economics depattments could also offer valuable aid in the development of the men in the group. And so an all tn clusive body could be established for the guidance of the group.

All the contests held this year have repeatedly shown that neither the relative merits of the quesof the topic could be nor even one especial pnase said that the piece bitten in the two ore biten was 100 much to be digested brings home the idea of infancy. It is merely a lechnicality which can be eliminated, and that, easily by taking a smaller topic or problem.

Besides developing the men intensively in the art of conversation and reducing the question in discussion to a small field, the elements of the discussion system should be taught and spread to the students and general public whic attend the forums. At the College this work could aptly be durie by the Public Speaking department. The audiences of necessity must be coltivated and trained in the procedure of the discussion and in the analysis of facts or arguments brought up by the group. On this score, too the impossibility of a just comparison of the two systems, namely, that of debate and discussion is evident. Only by repeated attendance at the discussions and a study of argument procedure and analysis, can the people actu
advantages and shortcomings.

## Gargoyles <br> SIMPLICTTY <br> "Persicos odi, puer, 38

1 loathe the Persian splendors, slave The wreaths with bark of linden tied, Where roses bide

It suits us both the myrtle plain, As you bring forth the cooling wine And I the brimming goblets drain
Beneath the vine.
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Spring, the t Brewster is busiest.

Announcement: Sam Sorkin is too busy to at end meetings of the No Time for Lunch and No Time for Meeting Clubs.

## Play Review

A play that was muy mucho admirado
By us was Gilbert and Sullivan's "Mikado"

## News in Brief

*Ramsay Fleisher crashed the testimonial to Leopold Auer i Carnegie Hall, reports Tid-Bits. *Milty Katz will write one asks us to assure his graduation, he

Al Grossman is still
in his new get-up.
*Sid Ell Jacobi is a big b.
The vote on the
minor and majo on the awarding minor and major Council insignia should attract many council representatives.
*The A. A. Club will wind up its year of social activities with a soiree

Al Rose got another gi a
job a day before the other day $* * *$ Neither is Abe (Dick)
Diamond. Diamond
*Nor Iz Ephron.
*Nor Izzy Seidler.
*Rut Jason Cotton is. column chairman of the "U" committee $*$
Overstreet will not be with year.

Who said women gossip? Did you ever hear the Bernie Smiths after a putative indiscretion was
committed? committed?

A stitch in time saves nine if sewn with the needle which was forged while the iron was hot and found in the haystack made while the sun
shone.

- People who live in giass houses should never
try to kill birds with any number of stones.
gathers no moss.
with fine wonders
whether these birds are the orss
- Sometimes a straw breaks a camel's back because thas a needle in it.

Stones that gather no moss probably never flock

Rolling stones break a lot of windows.
Realistic poets: poets who insist the sky is more a saucer than a cup.

Asking the critic to try his hand at att is like king the umpire to try his at pitching.

Women are the bane and balm of life.
Till Winter Comes
SCARLET


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Several Reforms Advised By Spitz
In Evaluation of Discussion System

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