



Aiken Hall, the new men's dormitory on the new campus at Windham College, which will be dedicated Saturday afternoon. (Reformer Photo--Asbury.)

76 Students to Live in George Aiken Hall

Seventy-six Windham College students will share the good fortune of comprising the first group to use George Aiken Hall. Most of these men students will be freshmen, although there will be a few upper classmen with at least two of the latter serving as dormitory proctors. The new building will ease a serious pressure for additional dormitory space.

The College has in the present academic year a total of 217 students, up from 181 last year. Approximately two-thirds are men students.

The new building will also in-

crease substantially the indoor recreational facilities, a pressing need of the College. There is a large central lounge on the main floor, which can be used for a variety of social activities. There is a lounge area of equal size in the basement, which will be devoted to recreation. Another basement room will make an ideal screening room, or small movie theatre, and still another large area can be used for indoor games. The basement will also feature a kitchen for snacks, and a laundry with automatic washers and driers. These utility rooms will be fur-

nished at a later date, as funds permit.

Aiken Hall is a two-storied structure, virtually fireproof. It is a combination of poured, reinforced concrete, brick walls and slate roof. The only wood used in the building is in the roof area. All floors and ceilings are poured concrete. The exterior of the building is featured by a wide roof overhang, which increases in width over the front and rear entrances. The use of four imposing brick columns in connection with each of the entrance overhangs gives the building a somewhat Georgian ar-

chitectural touch. The vertical arrangement of windows in the balance of the building, along with the alternating of windows and walls, reinforces this architectural motif.

The site of the dormitory is an unusually beautiful one commanding a sweeping view of the Connecticut River valley and surrounding Green Mountains. Adjacent to Aiken Hall is the completed basement of Robert Frost Hall. This is the next building of the new campus scheduled for completion and it is hoped it will be ready for occupancy next September. Robert

Windham Expects More Students in Winter Term

More than 300 students from all sections of the United States can call Windham College their Alma Mater in the present academic year. Two hundred and seventeen of these are students in the undergraduate fall, winter, and spring terms, and approximately 90 were in the summer term, devoted to the study of foreign languages. Most of the summer students are

Frost Hall is similar to Aiken Hall in all respects except for the center lounge. In Frost Hall, the lounge will be two-storied in height, with a large fireplace in the center of the room. Eventually there will be seven dormitories housing a total student body of approximately 500 students.

college graduates. It is expected that the enrollment of the summer term will mount to 150 in the new term and the undergraduate body will take on another 20 students at the beginning of the winter term.

Windham's faculty has grown in size commensurate with the growth of the student body. In the regular college year there are 23 teaching faculty members and four administrative staff. The total faculty of 27 represents eight doctorates and 16 masters, with the balance having bachelor degrees. In the summer term at the Institute of Critical Languages there were in the past session 17 on the faculty with nine of them having doctor's degrees and two having masters.

The curriculum offering of the

college has experienced comparable expansion in the last few years. In the present academic year the college offers foreign language instruction in French, German, Spanish, Latin, Greek, Russian, and Chinese. With the beginning of the winter term, and the arrival of a new faculty member, it will be able to teach Arabic, Persian and Turkish, if there are students interested in them. Next summer, the Institute of Critical Languages will feature Russian, as it has in the past, but will also teach Chinese, Arabic and Hindu. The Windham Department of Biological Sciences has had considerable growth with three full-time faculty now devoted to the teaching of zoology, biology, botany and conservation. A new emphasis in this department and one which is planned for notable development, is the subject of conservation education. It is planned eventually to offer a full major in conservation. Starting with the winter term, at the first of the new year, Wind-

ham will initiate an evening Adult Extension Program. Slated to date for inclusion in this program is a course in the Art and Culture of India taught by Dr. William Reynolds Beal Acker, a far eastern orientalist, and a course on the History of the Near East by Mrs. Inge van Calcar, a near east orientalist and language specialist. It is planned to expand this program in subsequent terms. These classes will meet at the college in Putney.

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