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## The Return of the O. L. G.s

BY JULINE WARNER COMSTOCK '19

THE first Twentieth Reunion at Connecticut College is now a matter of history; for '19, blazing the tradition, in company with a generous representation from reuning '20 and '21, gathered once more on the hilltop, to realize another first, the presence of the first class of daughters among the undergraduates. With Marilyn Morris, the class baby, '42, and Carolyn Seeley '41, participating in the Class Day exercises, '19 reluctantly acknowledges her position now not only as that of O. L. G.s, but definitely as that of college parents.

Thirty-six of the sixty-six living graduates of the class, eight ex-members, twenty-three children, and the three honorary members, Mrs. Sykes, Miss Nye, and Miss Howe, were present for '19's Twentieth. In memory of the one classmate they have lost, Louise Ainsley Knapp, '19 presented as a reunion gift to the college the sum of \$500 to be added to the Scholarship Fund.

The long-distance reunion record was set by Ruth Trail McClellan of Oregon, who with her husband and three children, crossed the continent for the event. Her account of her years in Alaska, and in the West, was a highlight of the class dinner.

Of all those who seemed little changed by twenty years, none took us back more surely and satisfyingly than Mrs. Sykes. Her address at the class dinner gave us again the urge to contribute, as women, to our children and our communities a good example, and to seek in spirituality the "fourth dimension" of life.

Though reunion memories cannot be transmitted in print to those who were absent, a few impressions may be helpful.

The cherished vista from the "hockey field" to the sea remains unbroken, except that it is now smooth lawn, unmarred by cabbages and cows. The great stone buildings that have come in such numbers follow the line of the streets,—classroom buildings and auditorium south of New London Hall, following Mohegan Avenue, and the dormitories running south paralleling Williams. The Palmer Auditorium, seating 1300, upholstered in light rust velvet and carpeted in blue, is a miniature Music Hall. The dormitories, including Knowlton where we dined at the Trustees' Luncheon, and Windham, where '19, '20, and '21 lived together, are beyond all dreams. But best of all is the beautiful stone chapel now nearing completion on the site of the cottages near the Williams Street entrance. Add to this the white nursery school behind the chapel, the faculty houses to the north, the open-air theatre in Bolleswood, with a lake and a lodge for sports,—and you have a few of the campus features.

With so much that was new, '19, '20, and '21 could only look among themselves for reassurance that all was not too changed. Living together in Windham, with midnight chats above and breakfast below; with Bobbie Newton at the piano playing her comedy music from memory, while the stars of yesteryear joined in the chorus; with class dinners side by side at Lighthouse Inn; and with faculty and children picnicking on the lawn by Bolleswood lake Sunday morning, the Oldest Living Graduates agreed that, in spite of tall sons and débutante daughters and a few gray hairs, we "hadn't changed a bit" after twenty years.



# From the Alumnae Office

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Following the precedent established last year, the Summer issue of the News is being used to report Alumnae Association activities of the past year. Thus, not only the minutes of the annual meeting, but the full reports of the officers, are made available to all alumnae.*

## REPORT OF KATHRYN MOSS, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

ONE of the delightful features of the Alumnae Secretary's job is that annually she has the opportunity of seeing large groups of her employers disporting themselves about the campus with such apparent pleasure and approval. So many expressions of enthusiasm, even though at times the expressions may seem to assume strange manifestations, go far toward dispelling the clouds of discouragement which, as I need not tell the teachers among you, at this season of the year haunt those in academic work. One begins, upon witnessing such enthusiasm, to believe again that perhaps the efforts of faculty, students, administration, and alumnae have not been entirely lost.

These remarks are a naïve expression of appreciation of your presence on campus, and of course are not designed to preclude critical comments. If such intention were present, its achievement would meet with early failure since Connecticut College students and alumnae have never been called inarticulate.

But to consider the affairs of the Association seriously. Surely the past year has not been an easy one for many individuals and organizations. We have not been able to forget or overlook the pressure and implications of international affairs, though surely we have wished many times that we could be impervious to these affairs and their implications educationally speaking. However, during the generally difficult year the Alumnae Association has made some developments which I believe are fundamental, if not spectacular.

### *Alumnae Fund Aims*

The Alumnae Fund, as you know, was voted into existence for one year at the annual meeting of the Association in June, 1938. The decision was not made hastily. Officers of the Association had presented the idea to chapters; many individual alumnae had been asked for their opinions; the Executive Board of the Association had discussed the matter thoroughly; President Blunt's opinion had been asked; the officials of other colleges and Alumnae Associations had given us the benefit of their experiences. Last June, therefore, the matter was discussed, and the members present voted to change from the dues system to the Alumnae Fund plan, whereby the Association would be maintained by voluntary contributions of unspecified amounts made by alumnae. To many alumnae it seemed more reasonable that they should contribute what they could toward the support of their own Association and college, rather than be asked to pay set dues.

You have heard the report of the Alumnae Fund Chairman. The Chairman and her committee and the Class Agents have worked hard, and I think we can feel that the Fund has had a creditable first year. We have had to plan and pursue our campaign almost simultaneously. There have been times during the past year when I have wondered whether our vote should not have made the Alumnae Fund plan effective in the Fall of 1939 instead of 1938, thus giving us more time for effective planning. Now, however, the difficult first



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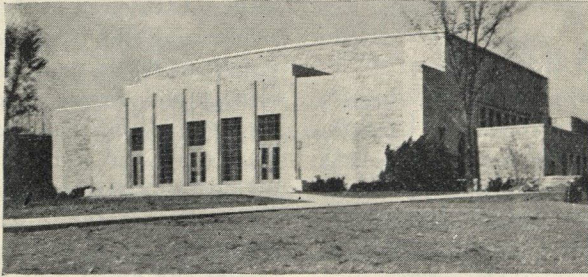
year is behind us, and another year, should the members vote for the continuance of the plan, I believe we can achieve much greater success. I feel that the Alumnae Fund plan of support presents an intelligent and practicable method of maintaining the Association, and of making gifts to the college.

The work with the Fund, and consideration of its handling at other colleges, have made me realize that our financial achievements have been considerable, but that they have been too diffuse, not only this year, but in years past. I strongly believe our efforts should be centralized under the Alumnae Fund. Chapters, classes, and individual alumnae make many contributions to the college and the

explaining its purposes to those who have not learned them.

#### *Plans for News*

The Alumnae News, as you know, is being edited in the Alumnae Office. We have tried to give campus news, to present articles by alumnae whose work and points of view we think will be of general interest to the alumnae group. We also have tried to print letters and articles by Miss Blunt and members of the Faculty, to give news of chapters, as well as of the campus, and finally to give items of personal interest in the class notes. Because of the very real interest of Miss Blunt in using the *News* to give information about the college to all alumnae, the



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Association for scholarships, equipment for new buildings, books, faculty research, and many other purposes. If, in the future, these gifts can be made through the Alumnae Fund Chairman, who will turn them over to the Association Treasurer, President Blunt, or the Board of Trustees, as the purpose of the gift may indicate, the extent and aims of alumnae contributions and interest can be more easily appreciated and comprehended by the alumnae themselves, as well as by the college administration. The effects of using the Fund as a central financial agency would be stimulating to all of us, and would very likely increase the number of alumnae participating in the financial affairs of the Association. If the Fund is continued next year, each of us here can do much to make it successful by

Board of Trustees has contributed \$500 toward the printing and mailing of the *News* to all alumnae. One serious weakness in the *News* is its lack of advertising. To be sure there are alumnae editors who think that advertising has no place in an alumnae magazine. However, we do not agree with that point of view, and next year we hope the finances of the *News* will be improved through more advertising. Our hope is to make the *News* a disseminator of information about college and alumnae affairs, and also a forum for the expression of alumnae opinion.

It would be a pleasure to elaborate upon the work of the year, the always enjoyable visits to chapters. Alumnae Weekend, notable last Fall because at that time we met our four student daugh-



# Increased Activity of Chapters

*The following report outlines the many programs carried out by local alumnæ groups. It is with appreciation of the work of chapter members and officers, and of the First Vice President, who directs chapter activities, that we print this interesting report.*

BY MILDRED DORNAN DEAN '26, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

THERE are now seventeen chapters. The replies received from a recent inquiry to chapter presidents indicate a variety of interesting and valuable activity. During the year just past seven chapters have arranged some function for Connecticut undergraduates or prospective students. Eight have enjoyed a visit from one or more faculty members, and nine have had a visit from headquarters in the person of some Association officer. Eleven of these branch units have contributed financially to the Association to the extent of \$808. (See Alumnæ Fund report, page 10.)

During Alumnæ Weekend last October there was a meeting of chapter representatives. While the number of representatives at this meeting was small (five), we feel that this kind of meeting brings a healthy exchange of ideas and problems. We hope to build on this plan and develop a program for such a meeting which will prove helpful to all the chapters. We urge that increased effort be made by each chapter to send a representative next year.

## College China Project

As for the details of individual chapter activities—In *Boston* where Virginia Donald Usher '33 is president, there were two faculty speakers, a tea for prospective students, a successful dance, and a business meeting. A great deal of interest has been aroused by the college china project, which is being sponsored by the Boston chapter, and which entails much groundwork before the china will be ready for sale to all alumnæ.

At *Chicago's* one meeting during the past year Charlotte Lang Carroll '25 was

elected president. Mrs. Carroll reports the following program for next year,—a tea for college freshmen to be given in September, a luncheon in November with Kathryn Moss as speaker, a tea dance during college spring vacation, and a luncheon meeting in May with election of officers.

## Northern Ohio Meeting

The *Cleveland* president, Normah Kennedy Mandell '29, reported the completion of ten years of successful activity for the Cleveland chapter. The chapter keeps in touch with undergraduates by giving a tea in early September for incoming freshmen, by inviting students to the annual Christmas dance given with such invariable success by the chapter, and by giving a luncheon for undergraduates with campus news reported by a prominent senior. Cordial relations are maintained with alumnæ in the surrounding region, and a Northern Ohio Meeting is held each year. Special effort is made to have recent alumnæ in offices and on committees. Chapter news is sent regularly to the *Alumnæ News*, and news of the chapter is brought to Cleveland by at least one speaker from the college. This year Kathryn Moss, alumnæ secretary, Rosamond Beebe Cochran, alumnæ trustee, and Mrs. Woodhouse, faculty member, were guests. Cleveland is active and generous financially. The chapter this year has contributed \$200 to the Alumnæ Fund, \$50 to the Rehabilitation Fund after the hurricane, \$500 to the Cleveland Chapter scholarship given to a Cleveland freshman. Another \$250 is earmarked for a second scholarship.

Dorothy Whipple Robinson, ex '39, president of the *Detroit* chapter, reported

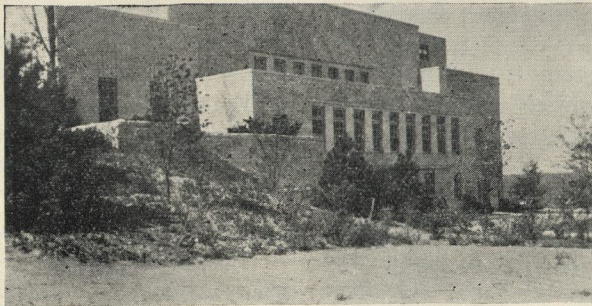


that a tea was given for students leaving for New London last September. At a later meeting there was a lecture on current voting problems. During the Christmas holidays a tea was given for students at which colored films of the college were shown. A social meeting was held in the Spring, and in May new officers were elected.

In *Providence*, where Ruth Raymond '32 is president, a Christmas party for undergraduates, a bridge, and a theatre party were held. At Thanksgiving three baskets were given to needy families. Speakers during the year were Rosamond Beebe Cochran; Mrs. Yatman, member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives; and Mrs. Wolfensen, field executive of the R. I. League of Women Voters.

ner meeting. The money-raising project, selling tickets on a percentage basis for a movie, was successful.

The *New London-Norwich* Chapter, Mary DeGange Palmer ex '30, president, meets monthly from September through June. The program for the year included political speakers; a talk by Eleanor Baker, Alumnae Association president; a meeting in Norwich with Norwich alumnae as hostesses; a reception for commuting seniors, and for prospective students from local and nearby high schools, with Dean Nye and Miss Moss as speakers; a formal banquet with President Blunt and Miss Chase of the Nursery School as speakers; and the final meeting in May, a picnic supper at Buck



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The *Westchester* County, New York, Chapter, Betty Cade Simons '27 president, had Dr. Erb as speaker at the Fall meeting. President Blunt spoke to members and prospective students at the next meeting. A bridge was held in the Spring, and Eleanor Baker, Association President, spoke at the June meeting.

#### Scholarship Fund

Amy Peck Yale '22 wrote that the *Meriden* Chapter, of which she is president, had well attended monthly meetings, with varied programs. The proceeds of a bridge are being used as a nucleus for a Meriden Scholarship Fund.

The *New Haven* Chapter, Esther Watrous Hendricks '21, president, had a marionette performance and talk on the history of marionettes at one meeting. Dr. Erb was the speaker at a din-

Lodge in the Arboretum, at which officers were elected for next year. The chapter contributed \$50 to the Alumnae Fund, and coöperated, as usual, with the New London A. A. U. W. in giving a scholarship bridge. The proceeds of the joint bridge made possible two scholarships of \$100 each.

#### Luncheon Dance

The Philadelphia Chapter, Jeannette Shingle Thomas '37, president, reported a luncheon meeting at which Miss Sophia Bliven spoke on Women in Life Insurance, a successful Saturday luncheon dance, and the sale of chances whereby \$100 was raised.

The *Washington, D. C.* Chapter, Betty Phillips '26, president, wrote of a year of interesting programs and financial success.



# Among the Chapters

The *New Jersey* president, Constance Campbell Collins '37, reported a business meeting, a talk on interior decoration, an annual banquet with Eleanor Harriman Baker and Rosamond Beebe Cochran as guests of honor, a meeting in April with Miss Ernst as speaker, and a talk in May on the Spanish war by Mr. Cummings. The chapter is looking forward to entertaining the 1939 graduates soon. New Jersey sent \$125 to the *Alumnæ* Fund and \$125 to the *Alumnæ* Scholarship Fund.

The president of the *Waterbury* group, Eleanor Penny Herbst '28, reported two meetings, at one of which Kathryn Moss and Mary DeGange Palmer, president of the New London Chapter, were the speakers. The group is small and scattered, so large projects are not feasible.

Jean Marshall '33 is president of the *New York* Chapter. All the meetings of this group have been dinner meetings held at the same restaurant. The speakers have included Mr. G. A. Smith, who gave Shakespeare readings; Geoffrey

O'Hara, "An Evening of Music"; Kathryn Moss, "Connecticut Campus and *Alumnæ* News"; Henrietta Addition, Director of Housing and Welfare for the New York World's Fair; and James L. Ellenwood, "An Evening on the Home." In addition a bingo party and a tea dance were held.

## New Chapter

One new chapter was organized during the year, or more correctly, reorganized,—the *Fairfield County* Chapter in Connecticut. At the first meeting Millicent Wilcox Buckingham '31 was elected president. Twenty-five interested and enthusiastic members were present. A busy second year is anticipated.

We are looking forward to the possible formation of active chapters in St. Louis, Springfield, Massachusetts, and in the Troy-Albany section of New York. In each of these places interested groups of *alumnæ* have inquired about the possibility of chapter organization.

## REUNION PLANS

THE present plan of holding reunions has been in effect for two years, and comments from returning *alumnæ* are enthusiastic and favorable. Under this plan classes which were in college at the same time return the same year for their reunion. Thus greater opportunity is afforded the members of each class to visit not only with their classmates, but also with friends in the class behind or ahead of them. The interval between reunions is five years with the exception of every fourth reunion when the interval is four years. A first and a twenty-fifth reunion have been planned in addition to the reunion for the groups of four classes. Classes which will hold reunions in June, 1940, are '33, '34, '35, '36, and '39.

## WINTHROP SCHOLARS

The Winthrop Scholars met for their semi-annual dinner at the College Inn on Sunday of Commencement Week. President Blunt was present as guest of honor and speaker. She spoke most interestingly on the improvement of faculty salaries and of living and working conditions for the faculty in recent years.

At the business meeting Gertrude E. Noyes '25 was reelected president and Minnie Watchinsky Peck '27 was reelected secretary-treasurer for terms of three years. Members present expressed great interest in starting a Winthrop Scholars' Scholarship to be awarded annually or biennially. Some contributions were made for this purpose, and it was decided to discuss the matter by letter with all members.



# REPORT of the TREASURER, CATHERINE van DERLYKE CAWLEY '33

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENT—June 8, 1938 to June 9, 1939

## Receipts

Cash on Hand June 8, '38.....	\$ 289.15
Back dues for 1937-38 .....	108.75
Alumnæ Fund .....	2,521.17
Alumnæ Register .....	4.50
From the college for Alumnæ News.	500.00
Advertising .....	16.93
From Sykes-Student Alumnæ	
House Fund .....	400.00
Transferred from Sinking Fund.....	225.00
	<u>\$4,065.50</u>
	<u>\$3,996.76</u>

Balance on Hand .....\$ 68.74

## Disbursements

Travel .....	\$ 216.20
Printing & Postage .....	418.83
Office:	
Tel. and Tel. ....	\$ 27.65
Supplies .....	23.18
Office Help .....	397.63
	<u>448.46</u>
Miscellaneous .....	12.00
Alumnæ News .....	891.42
Salary .....	1,500.00
President's Fund .....	5.00
Dues .....	20.00
Reunion Expenses .....	20.10
Alumnæ Register .....	64.75
Sykes Memorial Scholarship .....	400.00
	<u>\$3,996.76</u>

## Budget for 1939-40

Travel .....	\$ 400.00
Printing & Postage .....	450.00
Office Expense:	
Tel. and Tel. ....	\$ 50.00
Supplies .....	50.00
Office Help .....	400.00
	<u>500.00</u>
Miscellaneous .....	25.00
Petty Cash .....	25.00
News .....	1,000.00
Salary .....	1,500.00
President's Fund .....	100.00
Dues .....	20.00
Conferences .....	50.00
	<u>\$4,070.00</u>

## Sykes-Student Alumnæ Building Fund Investments

### Bonds:

2,000 Atlantic City Electric Co. 1st mortgage 3¼s due January 15, 1964 .....	\$1,940.00
2,000 Dominion of Canada 3¼s of Jan. 15, 1961 .....	1,987.50
2,000 Morris & Essex R. R. Co. 1st refund. mtg. 3½s of December 1, 2000 .....	1,805.00
2,000 U.S. Treasury 3¼s of March 15, 1956 ...	2,000.00

\$7,732.50

## Savings Accounts:

National Bank of Commerce No. 9469	
Balance June 10, 1938..	\$3,070.62
Withdrawn for Scholarship .....	400.00
	<u>2,670.62</u>
Coupons .....	65.00
Interest Nov. 1, 1938..	26.17
Deposit (Fadiman Lecture) .....	103.00
Interest May 1, 1939..	26.39
Coupons .....	210.00

Balance June 6, 1939.. 3,101.18

\$3,101.18

## Savings Bank of New London No. 151635

Balance June 10, 1938..	860.17
Interest .....	21.63

Balance June 6, 1939..

881.80

## Mechanics Savings Bank of Hartford No. 88856

Balance June 10, 1938..	1,639.74
Interest to April 1939..	41.37

Balance June 6, 1939..

1,681.11

TOTAL .....

\$13,396.59

## Alumnæ Scholarship Fund

Balance in Fund as of June

8, 1938 .....	\$6,345.41
Gift from New Jersey Chapter .....	125.00
Received from Blanket Tax Fund .....	1,258.90
Repaid Loan from Blanket Tax Fund .....	25.00
Interest received on Loans.	31.46

\$7,785.77

Additional amount now out on Loans from the Blanket Tax Fund, which will be a part of the Scholarship Fund when loans are repaid .....

\$1,349.00

\$9,134.77

## Sinking Fund

### Savings Account:

Mariners Savings Bank of New London, No. 50811	
Balance June 10, 1938 .....	\$ 296.59
Interest September 1938 .....	3.70
	<u>\$300.29</u>

Transferred to checking a/c .....

\$ 150.00

Transferred to checking a/c .....

75.00

\$ 75.29

Interest March 1, 1939.....

.94

Balance as of June 6, 1939.....\$ 76.23



# REPORT OF ALUMNAE FUND—1938-39 AS OF JULY 1, 1939

EMILY WARNER '25 Chairman

Class	No. in Class	No. Paid	Approx. %	Total Amount	No. of \$1.00	No. \$2.-\$5.	No. \$5.-\$50.	Aver. Amt.
'19	66	23	34	\$83.50	3	14	6	\$3.63
'20	67	19	28	90.50	0	12	7	4.76
'21	44	15	34	60.00	1	7	7	4.00
'22	41	14	28	84.50	2	8	4	6.03
'23	85	20	23	111.50	3	11	6	5.57
'24	84	17	20	58.50	2	10	5	3.44
'25	68	29	42	94.50	4	17	8	3.22
'26	77	22	28	75.00	0	15	7	3.40
'27	103	19	18	62.00	5	9	5	3.26
'28	129	30	23	86.50	9	14	7	2.88
'29	102	32	31	71.50	13	15	4	2.23
'30	106	14	13	35.04	3	10	1	2.50
'31	131	29	22	78.00	8	16	5	2.68
'32	113	32	28	88.50	6	19	7	2.76
'33	110	24	21	70.50	6	13	5	2.93
'34	116	23	19	74.00	4	13	6	3.21
'35	116	26	22	67.00	8	12	6	2.57
'36	130	29	22	79.50	5	19	5	2.74
'37	137	34	24	97.50	7	20	7	2.86
*'38	129	129	100	332.50	0	129	0	2.57
Ex '39		4		10.00	1	2	1	2.50
Totals	1954	584	29	\$1,810.54	90	385	109	\$3.10

1938, 100%; 1925, 42%; 1919, 1921, 34%; 1929, 31%.

\* The Class of 1938 had prepaid \$2.50 each (\$322.50) as part of their Commencement Tax—Five of its members made additional contributions totaling 10.

## CHAPTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Cleveland	\$200
New Jersey	125
Hartford	100
Washington	75
New London	50
New Haven	50
Westchester	100
Boston	35
Meriden	25
New York	25
Providence	15
Detroit	8

## CLASS CONTRIBUTIONS

1919	\$10
1920	10
1921	10
1922	10
1924	10
1925	10
1926	10
1927	10
1928	10
1929	10
1934	10
1935	10

\$120.00

Individual Contributions ..... \$1,810.54

\$808.00

TOTAL ..... \$2,738.54



# Class Notes

X **1919. CORRESPONDENT:** Grace Cockings, 82 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, Conn.

Polly Christie visited her aunt and sister in New Jersey recently, and also spent a week with Marion Rogers Nelson in Brooklyn. They had lunch with Helen Gough at her office. Marion stayed with Polly in Groton during Commencement.

Alison Hastings Porritt came out from West Hartford to see me one day in May. She and her family had been in Florida for several weeks and were very enthusiastic about their trip.

Juline's husband, Mr. Enos Comstock, held an exhibition of his paintings recently at their home in Leonia, N. J. Over five hundred people attended.

Marion Kofsky Harris was unable to return for our twentieth reunion, as our festivities and those at Elmira conflicted.

Miriam Pomeroy Rogers is returning east to make her home after spending several years in California.

8 **1920. CORRESPONDENT:** Fanchon Hartman Title, 79 Belknap Rd., W. Hartford, Conn.

Dear Reunion-Stayer-Awayers: The theme of earlier reunions has been the Husband, the Job, or the Baby, now for our 19th we've returned to the personal. 1920's late evening meetings (held on the beds at Windham House) were concerned with what we've been doing and how we looked! Feta arrived early and took care of all details. She didn't stop working and feeling responsible until the new officers were elected at the Class Dinner Saturday night. Al Horrax Schell was elected president—we were sorry she wasn't there, but she had the very best excuse for being absent. The class sent greetings to her and the new daughter.

Agnes Mae, being the class treasurer, wore a serious expression very much like Feta's—but the funds balanced, \$200 went as our class gift to the Alumnae Scholarship Fund, a small remainder was transferred to Dave, the new treasurer,

and once again Agnes Mae became lighthearted! Dave can still sing, and acted as cheer leader for the weekend. Betty came the farthest—from Cleveland—and was with us from Friday until after Commencement. Miff Howard also was on campus early—it must be the good example she sets for Mt. Holyoke students.

Right here there must be mention of the blue corsages (the lasting variety) tied with buff ribbon and the blue bracelets we wore in the parade, and then continued to wear for the rest of our stay because we liked them, and they identified us so well. We were proudly beaming at the Trustees Luncheon when Dr. Blunt asked Tede to stand, but Tede was her usual self, and refused to act First Ladyish even while driving around with police escort. Nan Weldon, Catherine Finnegan, and Jean Harris, all ex '20s, were with us and took us right back to our early days.

Kay Hulbert Hall has a lovely daughter. She and our class Baby, Edith Gaberman, kept each other company at the dinner. Edith is now ready for C. C. in the Fall, having graduated from Chaffee School (with honors and prizes) this June.

Our honoraries—Dean Nye, Miss Howe and Dr. Leib were with us for dinner, also Mrs. Leib, and it was like old times to have them. Dr. Blunt came in for a short time and Feta read greetings from Dr. and Mrs. Marshall.

Mary Hester Camp has been very ill. The Class sent her a message from reunion.

A letter from Frankie Barlow Jopson arrived just too late for reunion. She writes from "50 miles outside London on the edge of a marvelous golf course:" "We left Finland a year ago, and Keith is at the Foreign Office here for two—or, we hope, three—years. We decided that, after so many years of cities and 'high

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life,' we would settle down to country and 'low' life. National service hits us all, and life is real and earnest in England these days. Everyone has signed up for some sort of national work, and we feel that we cannot be too prepared. All classes are working together for this end, and the spirit of service and cooperation is very inspiring. We can only devoutly hope that all of this is for peace. The uncertainty of the international situation penetrates into every part of our daily life and is all very worrying and upsetting . . . My very special and particular love and greetings to all of the class of 1920."

X **1921. CORRESPONDENT:** Charlotte Hall Holton, 121 East Kendall St., Corona, Cal.

A foggy evening only enhanced the grey and green beauty of the campus as '21 started gathering on Friday for reunion. We were awed by the magnificence of the campus, but no grandeur could disturb our poise long and the mud on Mohegan Avenue (which is at last about to be paved) made us feel at home again. We found ourselves domiciled in Windham House with 1919 and 1920.

The morning was likewise foggy but nothing could dampen our joy in being there and greeting old friends as they kept coming through the day. Alumnae Association meeting was punctuated by new arrivals and attendant greetings and conversation. Then the Trustees Luncheon and more old friends and new, as we greeted faculty members scattered among the classes. Mr. Freeman and President Blunt gave us a happy impression of a successful year at the college, from a hurricane well covered by insurance to splendid new buildings and generous gifts. The sun came out in time for the parade to the Outdoor Theater for the Class Day Exercises and the play "The Fall of the City" by Archibald MacLeish, distinguished by real drama and graceful interpretative dancing. Another thing that awed us of '21 was the munificence of the gifts from various classes to the

college. We've always known that '21 had quality rather than quantity, and nowhere is it more apparent than when finances are mentioned. It's lucky it is such a long time till our 25th Reunion when we hope to be a credit to the college and our fellow classes!

Our class dinner at Norwich Inn and the balance of the evening left nothing to be desired but more classmates to enjoy it with us. Our Class Girl, Nancy Favorite, of whom any class could be proud, was there with her mother, and Bobby Newton Blanchard brought another Roberta, delightfully like the first in appearance, costume, and musical ability. And we had a distinguished honorary member, Edna Blue Tonks, who stimulated our memories with tales of the old days and delighted us with her wit and good talk and zest in living. It was a memorable occasion and later we all gathered at Windham and the old comedy songs echoed through the house as Romeo roamed again, and Pierrot, and those little devils who still have charm, oh! '19 and '20 drifted in and joined the talk and the singing and it was very late when we finally said good night.

The picnic breakfast in Bolleswood the next morning was another good time of fellowship. A sparkling morning by the lake, good food, and good friends, including many of the faculty whom we knew best in the old days. This again was a function of the three oldest classes, and a delightful one.

I cannot speak personally of any other of the events of the weekend except the Winthrop Scholars luncheon which was enjoyable, but quite small in numbers. But the rest of the weekend properly belongs to the Seniors and their families.

X **1923. CORRESPONDENT:** Mary Langenbacher Clark, 62 Dryden Rd., Upper Montclair, N. J.

Helen Barkerding Neuberg played in the Pro Women's Golf Competition at the Glen Ridge Country Club on June 5 with a score of 80.

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are spending the month of July in Bermuda.

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8 1925. CORRESPONDENT: Emily Warner, Girl Scouts, 14 W. 49th St., N. Y. C.

What ho, gals, we are left at the year's end with more material than we can use! For next year, we hope to have returns from those who didn't chirp during the last ten months. Because of space limitation (lack of funds, dears—Get the idea?), we are unable to carry out our threat to compose on delinquents; but another scheme is on its way!

Eleanor Harriman Baker, Charlotte Beckwith Crane, Gertrude Noyes, and your Correspondent viewed with awe the beauty of the campus and its fair inhabitants at Commencement time; swelled with pride as the Alumnæ Association President spoke at Trustees' luncheon; joined 1911's forces at Saturday's banquet.

1925 contributes to Westchester Alumnæ Chapter in the persons of Phyllis Jayme, Peg Meredith Littlefield, Kay Meinecke Crawford; to the Fairfield Chapter, born this past winter: Geegee Delap Speer, Orpha Brown Mitchell.

1925 contributes to Alumnæ Fund: 33%; \$66.50. Let's make it 100% for the coming year, and those of us who are numbered in this year's records will try to better them for next.

We have not kept abreast of others' summer plans, but your Correspondent looks forward to sharing a month of Bermuda sunshine with Agnes Leahy. And may we add, it cannot come soon enough for the women in question!

Word has been received of the death of Amy Hubbard Yarrows. She leaves her husband and a year-and-a-half old daughter, Joan Hubbard Yarrows.

1926. CORRESPONDENT: Jessie Williams Kohl, Connecticut College.

Marriages: Hazel K. Brackett to Arthur Caisse in January. Elizabeth L. Linsley to Francis Carlyle Hollis in June, at home in Hamilton, Bermuda.

Addresses: Harriet Gillette Reynolds,

1511 Bank St., South Pasadena, Calif.; Elizabeth Platt Rockwell, James St., Silvermine, Norwalk, Conn.

Maddy Smith Gibson and her husband are leaving on the first trip of the new Mauretania for a short vacation in Paris, where the senior Gibsons live. Maddy has left Macy's and is now associated with Schulman-Abrash Co., 6 East 34th St.

Rosky Beebe Cochran and her husband are now on a vacation in Maryland in their trailer.

Pete Cogswell Harvell reports that her sons, Ralph and Paul, are finishing the third and fourth grades respectively, and extends a cordial invitation to any and all classmates to drop in when they go through Portland, Maine (56 Wall St.).

The Alumnæ Office for some years now has been without an address for Grace Clark McKain (Mrs. A. Bradford), last reported at 4700 Chestnut St., W. Philadelphia, Pa. Will someone please supply the correct address?

1927. CORRESPONDENT: Barbara Tracy Coogan, 11 Brae Burn Rd., Auburndale, Mass.

Marriage: Alice Owens to Edwin P. Ansley on May 20 in Atlanta, Ga.

Here they are—four classmates, each with four children! Strangely enough, each has three boys and one girl, and they all live in New York State. Have I omitted anyone?

Lyda Chatfield Sudduth's little Susan, born February 7, 1939, is the youngest of them all. Her brothers are William Henry, six; John Chatfield, three and a half; George Norton, one and a half. The Sudduths purchased a home in Watertown, N. Y., in December. Lyda remarks, "Now don't ask me what I'm doing these days."

Alice Cronbach Uchitelle from Great Neck, L. I. also has a little daughter and three older sons. They are Robert, the student, who is nine; Louis, seven, and Ben, five and a half, the wild pair; and Betsy, 14 months, the pet of the family.

Harriet Eriksson Esselstyn has tall,



blond Sally, six; Buster (Caldwell Jr.), five; Erik, two; and Richard, one. The Esselstyns live in Riverdale, N. Y. and spend long summer vacations and winter weekends at their country home on the Hudson. Harriet made a survey this year of the health conditions of the Riverdale schools, and is active at the Henry Street Settlement.

Helen Lehman Bittenweiser, ex '27, busy as ever with civic and philanthropic affairs as well as her legal practice, has managed to have four children in her spare time. They are Lawrence Benjamin, seven; Carol Helen, five; Peter Lehman, three; and Paul Arthur, one. "They are grand children," she writes, "and I am very proud of them." Helen has opened law offices at 7 Dey St., N. Y. C. She is building up a general and a trial practice, and is especially interested in labor arbitration.

✓ **1928. CORRESPONDENTS:** Betty Gordon Van Law, 27 Briarcliff Rd., Larchmont, N. Y., and Deborah Lippincott Currier, Route 1, Box 319, Tucson, Ariz.

*Birth:* To Virginia Hawkins Perrine, Ann Hawkins, on June 14. This now gives Peter, aged three, a new playmate.

*Addresses:* Merle Hawley Smith, 2366 Strathmore Circle, Memphis, Tenn. Ruth Shultis Wurth, 441 Casino Ave., Cranford, N. J. Ruth with her two little girls plans to spend a month or so in New Hampshire this summer.

Fran Huling has recently returned from Florida, where she has been all winter. Fran won the West Palm Beach Singles Championship, and since her return to Larchmont has won a doubles tournament at Sunnyside. She expects to play this summer at Wiano on Cape Cod.

Helen Boyd Marquis and her doctor husband are now living in Short Hills, N. J. and have two girls and a boy.

✕ **1929. CORRESPONDENT:** Eleanor Newmiller Sidman, 11 Victor Ave., Glen Ridge, N. J.

I am sorry Winnie Link Stewart had to resign as class correspondent, and am honored to be her successor. Please help me by sending any news items. Winnie has had a tough time with sickness this winter and we missed her at reunion.

We all owe Bibbo Riley a vote of thanks for the grand weekend she arranged for our tenth. Peg Burroughs Kohr, Mary Walsh Gamache, Polly Seavey Lee, Fran Wells Vroom, and I made up the New Jersey delegation starting out on Friday. Jan Boomer Barnard was presiding at a get together at the Mohican when we arrived. Saturday afternoon we paraded to the Outdoor Theatre and Jan Boomer Barnard presented our class gift to Miss Blunt before the play. We had over \$700 in the bank, plus our \$2 contribution from each member, making a total of \$875 which we voted to add to the Alumnae Scholarship Fund. Our gift, however, is to retain its identity in the general Alumnae Scholarship Fund. We may add to this at any future time.

Sonny Smith Haldy brought her film of our commencement and showed it at the banquet at Lighthouse Inn. Speedro Greer led us in songs, looking much the successful business woman she is. I could go on for a ream, but there isn't space. You'll all have to come back for our next reunion, if not before, to see everything and everyone for yourselves, and laugh and cry as much as I did. Miss Oaks said, "Ten years have been kind to you." Let us hope that the years still will be kind to us when next we meet at college.

✓ **1932. CORRESPONDENT:** Isabelle Bartlett Hogue, 142 Vesper St., Akron, O.

Ricky Kendrick Daggett writes glowing accounts of life in Honolulu and of the foursome frequently found on the golf course—Larry and Ricky Daggett versus Stuart and Jean Stimson Wilcox.

Mickey Solomon Savin has two children, Mitchell, aged six, and Nancy Rita, two. Mickey wrote of a visit with Marjorie Sable Engel ex '32 in New York this

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winter, while the latter and her husband were here on a visit from Birmingham, England.

Jane Mackenzie is planning to attend summer school to complete work for her M.A.

Letters have been returned unclaimed from Alice Van Deusen Powell and Carolyn Hincks. Where are you gals?

Our Class is lagging on contributions to the Alumnae Fund. How about it? It is your Association and your cooperation is needed.

Have a grand summer, and watch out for old man Sol!

✓ **1933. CORRESPONDENT:** Ruth Ferree, 22 Lexington Rd., W. Hartford, Conn.

*Births:* To Mary Mead Siegenthaler, Charles Peter, on Feb. 13. Mary's address: 641 Forest Hill Rd., Mansfield, O. To Peger Royal Hincks, Margaret Burns, on May 10. To Kay Hammond Engler, Kenneth Grantham, Jr., on June 7.

Barbara Mundy is very active in the Coast-to-Coast Labrador Branch of the Needlework Guild of America and the Social Service Auxiliary of the Stonywood Sanatorium, an institution for working girls with tuberculosis.

Barbara Elliott has been quietly at it these last few years. She got her degree from Teachers College, Columbia, and after some experience at the Lincoln School, she took a position in Richmond, Virginia, teaching art in the public schools. She expects to return there next fall.

Betty Parkhurst has dealt a severe blow to the C.C. crowd in Cleveland by announcing that she may leave in the fall to live in California, where she has a new job with the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. She is in Vermont now for the summer with her mother and father.

The farthest I shall get from home this summer is probably Buffalo, where I'm going for the National Conference of Social Work.

✓ **1934. CORRESPONDENT:** Elizabeth Turner Gilfillan, Idlewild Lane, Media, Pa. 32 nd and Trindle Road

Camp Hill, Penna. 15

Mrs. Ruth G. Jr.

*Marriage:* Louise Hill to Clark Howard Corliss on June 17 at Albany, N. Y.

Beth Flanders and Bobby Meaker Walker attended reunion at College.

✓ **1935. CORRESPONDENT:** Margaret T. Watson, RFD 3, Silverside Rd., Wilmington, Del.

*Engagements:* Pudge Sawtelle to Samuel H. Ehrlich of Boston on June 14. Adelaide Rochester to J. Floyd Smith of Newark, N. J. on June 17. They expect to be married in the fall.

*Marriages:* Ruth Worthington to James Henderson, Jr., on June 24. Bobbie Herve, Connie Turner Rea, Bobbie Rohrmayer, and Ginny King were bridesmaids. The Hendersons will live at Poke-in, Poquonock Ave., Windsor, Conn.

Kathe Vanderhoof to Herbert W. Bertine on Sept. 17, 1938. Her husband is now practicing law in New York City. Just to keep up family standards, Kathe received her LL.B. cum laude from the University of Newark Law School. She has been associate editor of the *Law Review* and was elected to the Seal and Scroll Society of the Law School as its first feminine member. Her new address is 140 Roseville Ave., Newark, N. J.

*Births:* To Betty Ann Corbly Farrell, Patricia Ann, on March 17. To Ruth Fairfield Day, Edmund Perry, on June 16.

Janice Richards Hiles' new address is West Falls, N. Y.

Ginny King is now working in New York City with the Factory Insurance Association.

Dutchie Dutch is working part-time for Professor Moriye at Harvard. She plays tennis and was in an operetta given in Boston on June 8. She expects to get her M.A. at Middlebury French School this summer.

**1936. CORRESPONDENT:** Patricia Hall Staton, 51 W. 12th St., N. Y. C.



*Engagements:* Betty Davis ex '36 of Essex, Conn. to Elmer L. Pierson, also of Essex. The wedding will take place early in the fall.

Jean Van Deusen ex '36 of Brooklyn, N. Y. to William J. Towner. The wedding will take place in the fall.

Louise Brastow to Jonathan M. Peck, graduate of the Wharton School and special agent for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Hartford.

*Marriages:* Patricia Burton to J. Kemper Burton on June 17 in Montclair, N. J. Mr. Burton was graduated from Wesleyan. They will live in Schenectady.

Janet Reinheimer to Robert Allen Barton on June 16. Ethel Rothfuss, Shirley Durr, and Nancy Hooker were in the wedding party. The Bartons will live in Nutley, N. J.

Patricia Hall to Harry Parker Staton, Jr. on May 27 in Hingham, Mass. They are living in New York City, and this department will continue at the same address until October 1.

*Birth:* To Marjorie Maas Haber, a daughter, Marion, on May 9.

8 **1937. CORRESPONDENT:** Lucy Barrera, 54 School St., Manchester, Conn.

*Engagement:* Helen Whiting to Herbert Hedman on July 1.

*Marriages:* Alice Lippincott to Kenneth French. Address: 239 N. Main St., Woodstown, N. J. Madeline Shepard to Leland Brewster Howard in Worcester, May 27. Betty Schlesinger to Charles Wagner, Jr. on June 3.

Bunny Sharp Wheeler was awarded her Master's degree in Political Science from George Washington University in June. Bunny's new address is 3757 Jocelyn St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

*Reunion:* The second Reunion of '37 has come and gone, and it surely was a grand one. We not only had a lot of fun but received a definite spiritual tonic, too.

After hilarious greetings from Friday evening on through Saturday morning

with its Alumnæ meeting, we assembled at Knowlton for the Trustees' luncheon. At the end of the session Emroy managed to convulse the entire assemblage with a prophecy for the very near future. Or should I say "progeny"? If you weren't there, write immediately to some one who was for a detailed explanation!

Saturday night we gathered at Norwich Inn for our Reunion banquet. Steak and French fries grew cold while we each did our level best to gain the favor of our guest of honor—the most utterly fascinating male we ever laid eyes on. He was a blond, blue-eyed fellow with an irresistible smile and definite ideas of his own. Young Peter Hamel, son of Jibbie Mapes Hamel, was the charmer. You absent ones should know we have a class baby who's extra special! Jib was our toast-mistress, but her son stole the show.

The term for present officers expires next June. It was decided to have election of officers by mail, if possible, so that all members may vote. Edith Burnham was named chairman of the nominating committee which will submit the slate. Ballots will probably be sent out during the winter. New officers take office at Reunion next June. Suggestions for class officers may be sent to Edith Burnham, 81 N. Main St., W. Hartford, Conn. Marion Zabriskie was unanimously elected chairman of the Reunion for next year.

**1938. CORRESPONDENT:** Katherine Walbridge, Connecticut College, New London, Conn.

Nineteen thirty-eight reports a very enjoyable reunion. Bystanders had to admit they were the hit of the Alumnæ division of the Class Day Parade in their scarlet fire helmets and shining fire buckets, with Marcella Brown the Fire Marshal as of old. The high spot of the weekend was, of course, the banquet at Norwich Inn. Approximately 55 came back for all or at least a part of the weekend.

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