TWO new buildings, Palmer Auditorium and Harkness Chapel, have in a short time become indispensable to the activities of the campus. More important, the quality and character of life in the college community have been changed by the presence and use of the two buildings.

In the Auditorium students, faculty, and New London people have listened in comfort to excellent music. Wig and Candle has extended its scope of experimentation in play production and increased the size of its audience. Convocation audiences have become larger, and the Auditorium has become a community building, enjoyed by both town and college people.

Since the opening of the Chapel the audience at Vespers has increased, and the service naturally has become more dignified and beautiful. The use of the building is not limited to Sunday. Brief daily organ recitals, popular with students and faculty, are given by Edith Porter '29, member of the Music Department staff. Books on religious subjects have been moved to the special Religious Library in the basement of the Chapel, and this library is in constant use by students.

The pride of the students in the Chapel and Auditorium, and the constant use of the buildings by individuals and groups of girls are the sincerest expressions of appreciation of the additions to the campus which can be offered by the college.

The Chapel was formally consecrated on January 14th. Beginning an impressive ceremony the choir of 52 students took their places. A procession, led by Miss Blunt and Mrs. Harkness, of faculty, clergy, and other guests, and members of the senior class followed. Mr. Erb and Edith Porter '29 played the organ. The Reverend Mr. Laubenstein offered the invocation, and the sermon was preached by the Reverend Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, president of Union Theological Seminary, after which Mrs. Harkness presented the key of the building to Miss Blunt. Mr. Laubenstein led the Act of Consecration to which the congregation responded. In the candle-lighting service candles were lighted by Mrs. Harkness; Mr. Freeman, chairman of the Board of Trustees; Dean Nye; Mr. James Gamble Rogers, the architect; Irene Kennel, president of Student Government; Marcenda Prentis '19, for the alumnae, and Mr. William Beach for the college employees. The benediction was pronounced by the Reverend Mr. Danforth of New London.

The Frank Loomis Palmer Auditorium was formally dedicated in November. Addresses were given by representatives of the trustees, faculty, alumnae, and students. Mr. William Reeves, one of the original trustees, spoke of the generous interest of the Palmer family in the college; Mr. Clement Scott spoke for the trustees; Dean Nye for the faculty; Mary Anne Scott for the students, and Charlotte Keefe '19 for the alumnae.

“Great teachers, men and women of ability and experience, of sympathy and judgment, who are constructive scholars, are the offering of value of a college to its students,” Dean Nye said. “The reason that external things, such as the Frank Loomis Palmer Auditorium, are prized is because, as developments of visible breadth and beauty, they directly contribute to the growth of these same qualities in the intangible stuff that minds are made of.”
The Importance of Legal Aid Work

BY HELEN LEHMAN BUTTENWEISER ex '27, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL '36

"Lemon," one-time Blackstone resident, not only has a law degree, but also a husband, four children—Lawrence, 8; Carol, 6; Peter, 5; and Paul, not quite 2—and a charming home. Her husband, Benjamin Buttenweiser, is a partner in the investment firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Company. "He is not a lawyer, or I wouldn't have studied law. I don't believe in 'Wives competing 'UJith husbands," says Helen. When asked in what legal field she specializes her reply is, "In every case that comes into the office." She is particularly interested in Legal Aid work, in labor problems, is chairman of a settlement house board, and on various committees for housing, legislation, and domestic relations courts. She says, "I am afraid my civic conscience is slightly over-developed, but that is probably the fault of Connecticut College." Last, and far from being least, she is a major power in the Connecticut College Club of New York.

As most small cities do legal aid work with the assistance of the individual lawyers, and as most big cities in the United States find it necessary to have Legal Aid Societies as well as to use the service of such lawyers, I thought it would interest the readers of this article to know something about the necessity for and the functions of Legal Aid Societies. Since my experience has been with the particular society in existence in New York City, I shall use that society as an example.

We have, in theory, justice for all, rich and poor alike, but, unfortunately, in our effort to see that this justice is dispensed equitably, we have evolved a machine that is so cumbersome that no lay person can put it in motion by himself and the employment of a lawyer involves a greater expense than many people can afford. Not the least of the problems caused by this cumbersome machine is to know what one's rights are, and it is here that a Legal Aid Society can perform its largest function.

For some unknown reason, the ordinary layman has very little contact with the law, and despite the fact that the laws were written to govern his every-day actions, he rarely knows what his rights and liabilities are under the law (except, possibly, the traffic law).

A very large percentage of the clients of a Legal Aid Society come for help in finding out what they are entitled to. No one can work or live properly when upset or disturbed by a serious problem, and allaying the worries and troubles of the less wealthy portion of the community is one of the Legal Aid's most important jobs.

Unpaid Employees Assisted

Another large function of Legal Aid Societies is to help people collect money that is due and owing to them. This money is usually due as a result of a loan contract or services rendered. It is amazing to find, for instance, that a very large number of employers think nothing of obtaining the services of an employee without paying him. The financial status of legal aid clients is greatly improved by the assistance that a Legal Aid Society can render in collecting such claims. Of course, the Society only handles claims
where the client is financially unable to pay a lawyer and where the amount due is small or the possibility of collection is very slight.

An important part of the legal aid work is the promotion of legislation to correct abuses. Frequently, a constant stream of clients coming to the Society with the same type of complaint reveals a condition which needs correction, but which condition was apparent to no one individual. Take, for example, the whole question of credit as it affects the low-income group of people who are the Legal Aid clients. This is the very group of people that needs credit for small amounts in order to live decently. It is this group that needs to borrow money for emergencies, must buy furniture on the instalment plan, and whose wages are frequently garnisheed because they have no other assets.

The Legal Aid Societies are not only in a position to protect their clients from abuses of the law, but are also in a position to see when too many hardships under existing law make changes in the law necessary.

**The Credit Problem**

When a store sells an article on the instalment plan, the law gives it a right to make a contract which allows the seller to repossess the furniture or other articles if prompt payments of instalments due are not made. Since the second-hand value of these articles is practically nil, the purchaser frequently finds himself deprived of the article purchased and still liable for nearly the full amount of the contract.

A case came into the office the other day of a couple who had purchased $200 worth of furniture. They paid $155 in $10 monthly instalments. When the financial position of the family changed and they were unable to make the size payments called for in the contract, they offered to make payments of $3 or $4 a month, but the seller refused to accept these payments and, under the terms of the contract, repossessed the furniture. The amount due at that time, including finance charges and other necessary extras was $61. The store brought a suit for this amount and received a judgment which, including Court costs, totaled $71. They then sold the furniture, as they had a right to do under the contract, and after subtracting the necessary fees for such a sale, they credited themselves with $7, making this couple still liable for $64, $3 more than they owed when the furniture was repossessed. The store then applied to the Court for permission to garnishee the man’s salary, which gave them the right to have 10% of his salary delivered to them each week until their judgment was paid.

This is not an unusual case, but is fairly typical of many that come to the Legal Aid Society, and clearly indicates that some action must be taken to protect the purchaser.

**Laws Modified**

Previous legislation inaugurated by the Legal Aid Society has lessened the hardships of many of the clients of the Society, actual and prospective. For instance, the couple in the above case would have been in a much worse position if the Society had not been instrumental in having legislation passed to modify the laws concerning wage assignments. It is only in the last few years that a law was passed limiting the creditor to the right to 10% of the salary garnisheed. Previous to that time, the couple mentioned above might have had their entire source of income taken from them.

In addition to getting actual legislation passed, the Legal Aid Societies find it necessary to use their influence in modifying those hardships discussed above by bringing pressure to bear on individual creditors, credit associations, business bureaus and other organizations.

**Possession of Contract**

One campaign which the New York Legal Aid Society has been conducting for
some time involves the possession of a copy of the contract signed by the purchaser. Strange as it may seem to an ordinary lay person, none except the most reputable and high-minded organizations (and very few of these) will allow the purchaser to have a copy of the contract which he has signed.

There is also a wide field for assistance in cases which must be decided in the Surrogate's Court. Many people want assistance concerning the making of wills, collecting small estates, adoption of children, etc. Although the procedure in these cases is not particularly involved, the necessity for using fairly long and technical forms makes it almost impossible for a lay person to gain the desired end without the assistance of a lawyer.

Legal and Social Work Combined

Another important part of the work of the Legal Aid Society is the ability to combine legal and social work advice. When towns are small, this kind of advice can be given by the individual lawyer who is personally acquainted with most of the people in the town and can give not only technical information, but can usually add common sense to a practical solution. Since this knowledge is not available in a large city, it is necessary that the persons to whom these clients turn should be able to combine legal and social assistance.

Still another function of Legal Aid Societies is the representation of people accused of crime. Since it is not possible for a prosecutor honestly convinced of the defendant's guilt to give the said defendant an adequate defense, and since we believe that rich and poor must have the same rights, it is obviously important that an impecunious defendant be represented. Unless he happens to fall into the hands of a kind-hearted person, his defense by an attorney not belonging to a disinterested society usually results quite badly. Either he is given a defense commensurate with what he is able to pay, which is practically nothing, or his case is delayed and mishandled until his family manages to produce some recompense to the lawyer. There are some people who believe that this defender should be paid by the State, and some who believe that he should be paid by private societies, but all are apparently agreed that some such defender must exist.

Training of Young Lawyers

There is not time or space to list all of the jobs that Legal Aid Societies are able to do, but there is one important one which must be added to those already mentioned. That is the job of training young lawyers. Legal Aid Societies consider it part of their function to act as a training ground for young lawyers both before and after their admission to the Bar. This work is helpful not only to the individual lawyer involved, but acts as an extra method of publicizing the work of the organization.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology is offering to a man or woman, resident of New England, an $800 scholarship in health education for the two years 1940 and 1941. The scholarship is now being held by a public health director, and it is hoped it may be used in the further training of someone now in service as a health educator, or someone eventually to receive such a position. Information may be secured by writing to Professor C. E. Turner, Department of Biology and Public Health, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

Connecticut College was hostess to a large number of college dancers when groups from Wheaton, Pembroke, St. Joseph's and Vassar attended a dance symposium in the Auditorium.
Union Activities in Pontiac

BY MARGARET McCONNELL EDWARDS '37

Believing the field of labor activities and organization to be one about which few alumnae have the opportunity of getting accurate information, we asked Peg Edwards to tell us something about union activities as she has seen them and has experienced them in her job. About her work Peg says, "Until yesterday I was secretary of the United Foremen and Supervisors S. I. Union No. 918 CIO in Detroit. Today I became a civil service social worker on the Wayne County Bureau for Social Aid handling Old Age Assistance benefits." George Edwards, Peg's husband, who, incidentally, got a Master's degree in English from Harvard, is international organizer for the United Automobile Workers CIO, assigned to the west side of Detroit. Peg majored in Economics and Sociology in college, and spent one summer while an undergraduate studying international social and political affairs at the Zimmern School in Geneva, Switzerland.

THE number of people to whom the initials CIO are synonymous with strikes, industrial strife, and picket line violence would probably compare very favorably with the number of people who, up to last Fall, thought of Finland as a little country that paid its debts.

The surface impression, the newspaper picture of trade union activity, is the result not only of distortion but of a particular emphasis. Newspapers want vivid copy. The average newspaper is not likely to print a story about constructive community work which the CIO has done. This situation exists partly because such work is not "exciting or colorful" news, and also because newspapers are supported largely by a group of advertisers whose interests are contrary to those of the CIO.

For those of you who have no reason or opportunity to understand the day-to-day work of a trade union, I should like to recount part of the story which I have seen in the last year in an industrial community. When I think of the CIO, I see a picture of two thousand hungry people eating turkey dinner in the market place of Pontiac; or I remember the sight of six thousand workers' children at a CIO-sponsored Christmas party; or I see a determined and bitter, but hardly news-worthy, battle to keep schools open and improve the standards of community life.

CIO Prints Newspaper

Although there are several other CIO unions active in Pontiac, the United Automobile Workers dominates there. The central coordinating body for the community is the CIO Council, composed of delegates of the workers in all the CIO-organized shops. Last July, during the General Motors Tool and Die Strike, the CIO Council found itself fighting the anti-union propaganda of the daily press, and fighting it without a counter weapon. The Council therefore began printing and distributing a daily newspaper which presented the facts concerning the strike.

The CIO began distributing 3000 copies of its pages each afternoon at 3 o'clock in downtown areas. It ended by handing out 12,000 papers which were read by an estimated 45,000 in a city of 65,000. The paper explained that the tool and die makers needed a more stable work year, more stable pay, and something that could pass for job security. It pointed
out what this security would mean, from a community point of view, in increased trade and steadying influence on community life. Before the strike was over the idea was well established among small merchants in the town that most of their interests coincided with those of the organized workers, and they accordingly refused to be pitted against the workers.

It was this basic idea of community cooperation which led to one of the most amazing (although it shouldn't have been amazing) phases of industrial dispute in America. Each day representatives of the CIO would meet with the Police Department and discuss the maintenance of peaceful picketing. Both sides agreed to leave their clubs at home. There were as many as 7500 pickets in front of the plant at one time. And not one bloody nose. Relations established with the police during this period became the basis for future cooperation in matters vital to any organization, such as getting permits for meetings and renting halls.

**Fight for Schools**

Another effort on behalf of the community was begun by the CIO when Pontiac school teachers had their pay cut, and the teaching load per person increased. The small American Federation of Teachers AFL chapter in Pontiac appealed to the CIO to aid in the campaign to keep the schools open in 1940.

The CIO began to investigate the whole educational picture and came to the conclusion that money was needed to keep the schools open, and that to get money taxes must be raised. Then the CIO put on that unbelievable sort of campaign in which intelligent citizens decide they are willing to pay for something they need and want. The handicap was a fifteen-mill tax limitation, put there by the owners of valuable industrial property. The CIO decided to attempt to raise that
limitation to eighteen dollars on a thousand.

The real estate operators countered with an educational campaign solemnly pointing out that the three-mill increase would cause most of the workers to lose their homes. The CIO replied that the average worker rented his home for $25.00 per month and the extra taxes per year for him would probably amount to a little more than $5.00. Keeping their children in school was worth far more than $5.00 a year to most Pontiac workers. An election this April will probably finish the story. But even if it takes another year to bring adequate educational opportunity to Pontiac, their experience in the fight has made the workers of Pontiac understand the relation between taxes and education.

Relief Situation Acute

Then in Pontiac, as almost everywhere, the relief problem was the most popular of all footballs for politicians. On November 10th the unemployed in Pontiac found the welfare office closed. On their way home many of the locked-out unemployed, themselves former auto workers, stopped at the CIO office. Here they heard how they, together with the workers in the shops, could help find a way out. CIO committees called on the board of supervisors; proposals were made for state, county, and city cooperation to meet the problem. A hostile populace, persuaded by the newspapers that welfare clients are queer creatures to whom the idea of work is at best unfamiliar, were told very plainly that in the last month with industry at its peak Pontiac still had 5000 unemployed. Of this number the State Employment Service, with all its facilities, was able to place only 169 in permanent jobs and 64 in part-time positions during the month. The CIO committee also pointed out that the alleged luxury, put at the disposal of the unemployed by a too soft welfare personnel, consisted of $16.60 a month for food and clothing for a family of five.

Thanksgiving was approaching and cynicism and desperation were rampant. At the last minute a piecemeal arrangement was made whereby the welfare department might get checks out by Thanksgiving. But four days before Thanksgiving, everyone knew it wasn’t going to work out, and that many Pontiac people would have to go a long way back to think of anything to be thankful for on that traditional American holiday.

On Monday before Thanksgiving, without knowing how it could manage so large an undertaking, the CIO undertook to announce in its newspaper that it would sponsor a free dinner for all the unemployed. Civic-minded groups were called on for cooperation in donating food. CIO members, men and women, did all the work and planning. A few Pontiac industrialists tried to stop merchants from cooperating in the venture because it was likely to establish the CIO securely as a community institution worthy of respect. But most of the citizens and small merchants cooperated. Union catering companies donated utensils, unions in Detroit donated funds and equipment. Wholesale houses donated tons of peas, carrots, and potatoes, stores gave turkeys and chickens. The community supplied the spirit of cooperation necessary for such a venture.

On a bitter cold Thanksgiving day a CIO-organized free taxi-service went to hundreds of homes, and finally almost 2000 people were assembled to eat a free turkey dinner in the public market. The community reaction to such an attempt to preserve so vital an American tradition was what might have been expected. Hundreds of people hitherto hostile began to feel that the CIO was a force that Pontiac needed.

Children Celebrate Christmas

When Christmas approached and the situation was still acute the welfare office
was open, but this fact didn’t mean much except to the welfare clerks who had their jobs back. The WPA appropriation was not being met by the local government and the WPA workers were being laid off. So the CIO decided it must give a Christmas party for all the children, and rented the Pontiac night school auditorium, the largest auditorium in town, seating 2000 people, and laid plans to have the party in shifts. The first shift was for the children of the unemployed. The other two were for the children of the factory workers.

Six thousand children carried off some six tons of nuts, candy, and fruit, all of which had been carefully given out by an authentic a Santa Claus as ever held court in a department store. The cost was defrayed by the collection of nickels and dimes in the shops and factories, the donations from nearby unions, and the contributions from merchants and civic-minded groups. At the party the children and parents themselves put on a program that lasted for an hour and a quarter. I have never seen so many happy children in my life, and many were enjoying the only Christmas party they would have.

Probably all you have ever heard or read about the CIO in Pontiac comes from reports of the three days last year when Michigan’s Governor Dickinson sent in the state police and 7500 people picketed the Fisher Body plant during the General Motors Tool and Die strike. But I hope I have persuaded you that that one incident is a small, a very small, part of the picture.

Here and There on Campus

President Blunt visited four alumnae chapters in February, the Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, and Pittsburgh groups. The enjoyment of the visits was mutual, and enthusiastic reports have been received from both Miss Blunt and the alumnae. Speaking in chapel to the students after her return, Miss Blunt said, “The continuity of college generations, and the sense that the alumnae belong to us and we to them impressed me again and again on this trip. Young mothers, teachers, professional and business women, social workers, volunteer civic workers, 2000 of them, constantly have their eyes on us. We must be aware and proud of them, and continue to make them proud of us.”

A delightful book by Mr. Gerard Jensen of the English department was published by the Duke University Press on January 30th. The book, “The Life and Letters of Henry Cuyler Bunner,” is the life story of Mr. Bunner with many letters to Brander Matthews, Laurence Hutton, and Walter Learned, and others. Mr. Bunner was the editor for nearly twenty years of America’s first successful comic weekly, Puck, and was in the thick of things in the life of metropolitan New York between 1875 and 1896. He wrote plays, verse, short stories, and essays. His stories were widely read (Short Sixes, Made in France, etc.), and his weekly was influential throughout the land for two decades. His letters are highly amusing. At the end of the book are several chapters in which Mr. Jensen attempts to evaluate Mr. Bunner’s work in the light of what his age produced, and in the light of what we now think.

Kathryn Moss, Alumnae Secretary, is director of District I of the American Alumni Council, the association of men
and women in charge of alumni work at the colleges of the United States, Canada, and Newfoundland. District I, which comprises the New England colleges, held its annual meeting in January at Greenfield, Massachusetts. Papers were read on alumni funds, the alumni magazine, alumni trustees, and alumni colleges by delegates from Amherst, Mount Holyoke, Simmons, M. I. T., Wellesley, Smith, and Wesleyan. Agnes Leahy ’21, Alumnae Trustee, read a paper on “My Job as Alumnae Trustee.” President Stanley

“The Misanthrope,” “Hedda Gabler,” and “Candida.” The ice storm was in progress on the day and evening of the performance, but despite this fact the evening was a great success.

Dean Nye has been asked to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee of the Connecticut State Latin Contest for 1940 which will be held on Friday, May 3d, in the William Hall high school of West Hartford. State Latin Contests were held in 1936 and 1938. In 1938 fifty-three secondary schools with an enrollment of

12,000 pupils in Latin entered the contest, and 353 students were selected to participate in the final contest. President Blunt has announced that Connecticut College will offer to the winner in the senior division, if a girl, a $250 scholarship for next year.

Four Connecticut students attended the American Youth Congress in Washington. They heard President Roosevelt’s speech, talked to a young share cropper from Missouri, listened to an address by John L. Lewis, attended a panel discussion on peace in which Mrs. Roosevelt took part, and finally went to the tea at the White House where one of the girls had an interesting chat with Mrs. Roosevelt.

King of Amherst and President Roswell G. Ham of Mount Holyoke spoke on college-alumni relations. Eleanor Harriman Baker ’25, president of the Connecticut College Alumnae Association; Emily Warner ’25, chairman of the Alumnae Fund, and Marenda Prentis ’19, Alumnae Trustee, also attended the meeting.

Blanche Yurka, actress and monologist, was presented recently by the seniors in the annual benefit performance for the Sykes Fund. The program presented was of comedy scenes found in representative plays of the five great periods of drama. Scenes were given from “Lysistrata,” “The Merchant of Venice,” “Romeo and Juliet,” “The Way of the World,”...
President Blunt has recently announced that eight students have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa as senior members. The new members are: Patricia Alvord, Knowlton Entrance

Winsted, Connecticut; Miriam Brooks, Windsor, Connecticut; Helen S. Burnham, Bayside, New York; Susan M. Carson, Youngstown, Ohio; Louise Flood, North Stonington, Connecticut; Dorothy Newell, Uxbridge, Massachusetts; Laeita Pollock, Norwich, Connecticut, and Dorothy Rowand, New London. Mary Anne Scott, New Rochelle, New York, and Sybil Bindloss, Mystic, Connecticut, became Phi Beta Kappa members last October on the basis of their first three years’ work.

Mr. Wells, outgoing chairman of the college chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, Delta of Connecticut, announced that the chapter would again award a fellowship to a student doing graduate work. Applications may be obtained from the secretary, Miss Frances Eldredge. Mr. Morris has been elected chairman of the chapter.

Miss Roach, of the History Department, will offer a six-point course next year on Latin-American history from the colonial period to the present time. The department has never before offered anything in the Latin-American field, but because of present conditions, the inclusion of such a course was felt to be highly desirable. Miss Roach is planning to study in Latin America during the summer.

The New London Chapter of the D.A.R., of which Mary Chipman Morris ’19 is Regent, has presented Emily Abbey House with a punch bowl, silver ladles, and glasses.

With the prospect of a census to be taken early in April public attention has been focused upon what the results of the enumeration will reveal. Events of the past few years have served to make our people conscious of population problems as never before. In a country plagued by agricultural surpluses the farmer is asking questions as to the ability of our domestic market to absorb his products in the future in the absence of foreign markets. Problems of adjusting our rural population more effectively to the land have been dramatized by Dust Bowls. The problem of the migratory worker has been taken out of the realm of academic consideration by Steinbeck’s vivid picture of our failure to sense the seriousness of the situation. Looking abroad, our people find propagandists using theories of population pressure to justify national policies of aggression. From such sources has developed the current interest in questions of population. The college is offering a course in Population for the first time this term. Attention is devoted primarily to the situation in the United States, but always with relationship to what is happening in other countries as well. An attempt is made to outline a rational policy. The course is given by Mr. Cobble-dick.

The mid-winter production of Wig and Candle, “Stage Door,” by Edna Ferber and George S. Kaufman, was a highly successful performance. “Our Town” by Thornton Wilder was the Fall production.
IN accordance with the By-Laws of Connecticut College regarding the choice and election of Alumnae Trustees, the Nominating Committee of the Executive Board is pleased to submit the names of three nominees. The elected candidate will succeed Marenda Prentis '19, whose term will expire in September, 1940. The By-Laws state that further nominations may be made by presenting to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee a petition signed by twenty-five active members of the Alumnae Association. An active member is one who has contributed to the Alumnae Fund during the years 1938-39 or 1939-40. The petition should reach the Alumnae Secretary, Connecticut College, New London, by May 1st. The By-Laws further state that the Alumnae Trustees shall be elected by active members who are graduates of three or more years' standing. Therefore, active members of classes from 1919 through 1936 are entitled to vote. Ballots will be mailed on the first of May. The names of candidates are listed in alphabetical order.


Have You Contributed to the Alumnae Fund for 1939-40?

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EMILY WARNER 1925, Chairman; CATHERINE VAN DERLYKE CAWLEY 1933, Treasurer

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Total Number of Contributions: 379
Average Amount Given by Contributors: $3.94
Average Amount of Contribution per Alumnae: .81
Total Receipts from Individuals: $1,367.50
Chapter Contributions: 367.00
Class Dues, $10 each, '20, '24, '26, '32: 40.00

Total Fund Receipts, September 1—March 15: $1,774.50

NOTE: It should be remembered that the Class of 1939 contributed to the Fund 100% before graduation a total of $327.00, which is not counted in the September to March report.
Among the Chapters

BOSTON. Lydia Albrec ’35 has regretfully resigned as president of the chapter, and has been succeeded by Betty Von Colditz Bassett ’37. Bridges are to be given in members’ home in order to raise money for the college china project.

CHICAGO. Kathryn Moss, Alumnae Secretary, spoke at a luncheon meeting held at Marshall Field’s in October. A dinner was given in honor of President Blunt on February 13 at the Lake Shore Athletic Club. Alumnae, their families, the parents of undergraduates, prospective students, and their parents attended the party.

CLEVELAND. The annual Christmas dance was a big success, as was the undergraduate luncheon given during the Christmas vacation. President Blunt visited the chapter in February for the first time in six years. Her visit was greatly enjoyed. The scholarship committee is again at work, and Cleveland’s second scholarship will be given in the Fall of 1940.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY. The December meeting was held at the home of Genevieve Delap Speer ’25. Dr. Lawrence of the college faculty was the speaker and guest of honor. Bridgeport alumnae were hostesses.

HARTFORD. In October Dr. Lawrence spoke on “The United States and the Second World War” at the home of Emma Moore ’37. Madlyn Hughes ’35 showed colored movies taken by her on a recent trip to Europe. The presence of Governor and Mrs. Baldwin (Edith Lindholm ’20), and of Mr. Crawford and Secretary of State Crawford (parents of Janet ’24, Sally ’25, Sue ’33) at the Christmas dance lent great distinction to the affair. Rosamond Beebe Cochran ’26, alumnae trustee, spoke in January at the home of Janet Sherman ’36. On March 26 the annual drawing of the lucky ticket will be held. A trip in the United States will be given to the winner.

MERIDEN. Miriam Addis Wooding ’27 has been elected chapter president. At the January meeting, Miss Marjorie Tolland, Medical Social Worker at the Meriden Hospital, spoke about her work. The members present were delighted to hear the report, which came while the meeting was in progress, of the birth of Elmo Ashton Decherd’s daughter.

MICHIGAN. On October 31, Kathryn Moss, Alumnae Secretary, visited the chapter. On February 16 a dinner was given for President Blunt at the Women’s City Club.

NEW JERSEY. The October meeting was held at the home of Vivian Wake- man Noble ’31 with Dorothy Bayley giving an excellent talk on Book Illustration. In November Mr. Harold Bohn, Professor of English at Montclair State Teachers College, spoke at the home of Peg Royall Hinck ’33 on Current Drama. The January meeting was held at the home of Dorothy Daly ’37 in South Orange, and was in charge of recent graduates. A representative from Georg Jensen’s in New York spoke on Silver. Miss Orrie Scherer, formerly of the college art department and now at Macy’s, spoke at the February meeting on Personnel Work in a Department Store. The meeting was held at the home of Mary Langenbacher Clark ’23.

NEW LONDON. A supper meeting was held in November, following which the alumnae attended the fall play of Wig and Candle, “Our Town.” The annual Christmas party was managed by the Nor-
which group. Gifts were sent as usual to a local mission. In January two alumnae, Jean Hamlet Durley '29 and Marion Anello '35, spoke on their work as members of the staff of New London Junior College. Marenda Prentis, Alumnae Trustee, and Kathryn Moss, Alumnae Secretary, spoke at the February meeting.

NEW YORK. At the November meeting Madelyn Smith Gibson '26 and Louise Langdon '37 spoke to the chapter on commercial art. In January, Parkie McCombs '25 and Katharine Francke Stover '23 spoke on medicine and social work. In February, Katherine Renwick Holbrook '24, Rosamond Beebe Cochran '26, and Dorothy Swan ex-'26 spoke on radio, literature and movies.

PHILADELPHIA. New officers elected in December are: President, Charlotte Harburger Stern '35; Secretary, Mary Ewing Lewis '36; Assistant Secretary, Dorothy Merrill Dorman '34; Treasurer, Julia Bernice Worrell ex-'40; Chairman of Entertainment and Publicity, Nancy Smedley ex-'33. A luncheon meeting was held on February 17 at which plans were made for the coming tea for prospective students to be given during the spring vacation.

WASHINGTON. A meeting was held February 7 at the home of Catherine Warner '39. The guest speaker was Mrs. Helen Orr Watson, who discussed her new book, “Chanco,” the story of a United States army homing pigeon.

June Dates

Friday, June 7 — Reunions Begin
Saturday, June 8 — Class Day, Class Dinners
Sunday, June 9 — Baccalaureate, President’s Garden Party
Monday, June 10 — Commencement. Miss Katharine F. Lenroot of the United States Department of Labor will be the Commencement speaker. The Very Reverend C. W. Sprouse, Dean of the Episcopal Cathedral, Kansas City, Missouri, and father of Beryl Sprouse '40, will preach the Baccalaureate sermon.

(We call your attention to the very unusual and pleasant fact that every class is represented in this issue of News. Our thanks to the hard working correspondents as well as to all who cooperated with them.

G. E. N.)

1919. CORRESPONDENT: Grace Cockings, 82 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, Conn.
Jean Savin's two daughters went to the N. Y. World's Fair last fall.
Esther Barnes is back teaching in Rumson, N. J., after a busy summer at home.
She enjoyed visits with Polly and Ruth Trail McClellan.
Irma has a brand new nephew so we know what kind of Christmas she had.
Sue Wilcox has moved to a new house in New Haven, which she shares with two other teachers.
Dorothy Upton is extremely busy at Skidmore, teaching several courses in English and acting as house fellow.
Gladys Stanton called me one evening, while in town visiting a mutual friend.
Juline wrote that she has a new grandson, born July 4. Her sister Harriet was in Turkey all summer, and almost sailed for home on the ill-fated Athenia.
Lucy's lovely new home was considerably damaged recently by fire.

1920. CORRESPONDENT: Betty Rumney Poteat, 239 Grandview Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
Addresses: Margaret Davies Cooper, 519 March St., Shillington, Pa.; Jessie Menzies Luce, 87 Berrian Rd., New Rochelle, N. Y.; Sarah Lewis Grusser, 1775 Greenwich St., San Francisco, Calif.; Alice Horrax Schell, 721 S. Cleveland Rd., Hinsdale, Ill.

Congratulations to Kay Hulbert on winning the Deerfoot Sausage prize!
It's good news that Esther Taber is teaching again in New Haven after some months' illness.
Agnes Mae Clark and her husband enjoyed a trip to New Orleans by boat in December, returning in time to celebrate Christmas at home.
Fanchon Hartman Title writes that her days are full, what with housekeeping, committee work for Girl Scouts, club and church, lectures and concerts, training her cocker, and reading when the house quiets down.
Clarissa Ragsdale and her husband are adventuring in homesteading. She writes: "We have two acres in northern New Jersey completely surrounded by forest though only one hour from New York City. Our house is in the embryo stage; so for the time being we are living in a tiny cottage. We are trying to work out a plan whereby we will be self-supporting on two acres. This winter we are doing some research in agriculture in preparation for our garden, fruit trees, and berry bushes. We have 20 hives of bees and use honey the year round instead of sugar."
Betty Poteat moved East in September and is happy to be back on her native heath.

1921. CORRESPONDENT: Charlotte Hall Holton, 121 E. Kendall St., Corona, Calif.
Eleanor Haasis makes sketches of prize-winners in the Woman's Building of the Tennessee Valley Agricultural and Industrial Fair in her capacity as chief assistant in that building. As president of the Knoxville Rose Society, she attended the American Rose Society Meeting in Brooklyn and visited her sister in Charleston en route.
Hattie Rosoff's son, Chester, is a freshman at Dartmouth.
Dot Wulf's new address is 901 Arrowhead, San Bernardino, Calif.
Gertrude Foster Howe ex-'21 lives at 515 30th St., Sioux City, Iowa.

The Institute of World Affairs at Riverside's famed Mission Inn was a recent highlight for me. Both pessimism and optimism were expressed, together with much learned discussion of world affairs by educators from Europe, Asia, South America, and all over the West.

Dot Gregson Slocum writes, "If things only happened to me—newsy ones, I mean!" Do the rest of you have the same plaint?

1922. CORRESPONDENT: Margaret Baxter Butler, 775 Loraine Ave., Grosse Pointe, Mich.

New Addresses: Gladys Smith Packard (Mrs. M. L.), 8 Linden Ave., Middletown, Conn. Eleanor Thielen Wunch (Mrs. Edward, Jr.) is building a house in Dearborn Hills, a suburb of Detroit, and her address after March 1 will be 940 S. Highland Ave.

The trip to France which Blanche Finley won last year was postponed on account of the war. As the budget of the French Information Center has had to be cut and the staff reduced, Blanche finds herself extra busy.

Olive Tuthill Reid’s husband has invented a machine to measure the efficiency of highway lighting. He went to Hartford in the interests of General Electric last fall, and Olive accompanied him. Dorothy Wheeler and Gladys Smith Packard had a chance to see her.

Janet Frey, our class baby, will be graduated from Oakwood School, Poughkeepsie in June, completing the last two years in one. Ann had hoped to send her abroad for a year before college, but this seems out of the question. Janet is interested in Bennington College and expects to enter in the fall.

Millsie spent Thanksgiving in Connecticut and revelled in the festivities.

1922 made a creditable contribution to the Alumnae Fund last year. May those who have not yet sent in their checks be inspired to make a contribution promptly!

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

In November the New York Chapter had one of its monthly luncheons with our class members as hostesses. Ginny Root was chairman, and Judy Warner, Muriel Ashcroft, and Vivienne Mader also represented our class. Vivienne has a dance studio in Town Hall. Judy is with the Girl Scouts and “occasionally rides the same elevator with Florence Appel and Mike Namovich, who is doing play reading.”

We hear that Emily Leith-Ross is in charge of the new Art Museum down at New Hope. We are still waiting for news from Plupey.

Although our class tied for first place in amount of contributions to the Alumnae Fund, still everyone has not contributed. Let's make it 100%. “Get our Speed! Take the Lead!” Remember?

1924. CORRESPONDENT: Olivia Johnson, 193 South St., Oyster Bay, N. Y.

To the second generation, add one daughter, Susan, born to Peg Dunham Cornwall last May; and one son, Richard, to Virginia Eggleston Smith on Oct. 12.

Peg Call Ladd has been elected president of the Washington Chapter.

Bobbie Kent Kepner wrote that the death of her father brought her and her two boys from Logan, Utah, to Connecticut last summer to visit her mother. While East, Bobbie enjoyed a reunion with Marion Armstrong.

Change Catts Holmes Brandow’s address to 1671 Sutter St., San Diego, Calif.

Betty McDougal Palmer lives in Jamaica Plains, Mass., in a big colonial house at the gateway to the Arnold Arboretum. Her husband, a botanist, is employed by Harvard, works in the Arboretum, and specializes in hawthorns. Her children (McDougall, 8; Grace, 6; and Theodore, 4) attend a one-room rural school unique in the neighborhood. In the Dec. 11 issue of Life, p. 75, Grace is shown at
the Children's Museum holding a wood turtle.

1925. CORRESPONDENT: Emily Warner, 215 E. 15th St., N. Y. C.

Have you answered the letter you received from your correspondent in September? Why not DO IT NOW?


Midge Field Shaw was instrumental in organizing a theatre group in Easthampton, Mass., with which she maintains an active part—even to appearing in radio skits!

Geegee Delap Spear and Orpha Brown Mitchell have helped launch the active Fairfield Alumnae Chapter. They, Betsy Allen, and your correspondent reunited at the December luncheon of the New York Club. Geegee “found a note tucked in my windshield one day while at the Fair,” from Betsy and Parkie.

Dido Roos Morse attended the New York Club meeting on January 10, looking just as young as ever, “slick and fetching,” as Lucius Beebe would say! Parkie McCombs spoke on “Women in Medicine.”

Olga Gennert Greene is a partner in her father’s photographic supply business. Aside from that—Jimmy is 12 and Joanna, 9, so there you have Olga’s 26 hours in a day!

Helen Brown Elliott is “home from Manila” but Ellery Queen Warner has not yet found out where “home” is. Who knows? And will she tell?

Class members will be glad to know that Ellen McGrath is “recovering from a very serious accident last spring.”

Dot Kilbourn zigzagged her darkened-porthole way back from British West India at summer’s end. Kathleen Boyle is president of the Aetna Life Ins. Co. Girls’ Club in Hartford. Thelma Burnham teaches in Cambridge Secretarial School, Hartford. Connie Campbell Collins, Spuddy Ward, Charlotte Beckwith Crane, and your correspondent, among others, worked on the benefit (Scholarship Fund) performance of The Male Animal on March 6. Connie Parker was drafted into service to review a Boston showing for the Play Selection Committee. It’s our opinion she’s wasting her time with a publishing house!

1925 is slipping from its place in the sun! Send in your contributions to the Alumnae Fund NOW!

1926. CORRESPONDENT: Jessie Williams Kohl, Connecticut College.

Marriage: Frances Angier to Albert J. Thiel. Address: 122 Riverway, Boston.

Birth: To Kay Dauchy Bronson, a daughter, Carol Ann, on Dec. 16.

Frances Green recently visited in New London with Barbara Bell Crouch, and both called on Peg Smith Hall.

Betty Linsley (Mrs. Carlyle Hollis) sends a cordial invitation to all C. C. people visiting in Bermuda to call on her. Her post office address is Box 435, Hamilton, and she is in the telephone book. She says, “We are living in a sweet cottage in Paget, near Elbow Beach and good swimming and dancing.”

Your correspondent beseeches a little shower of notes concerning the whereabouts and doings of other 26ers. And I am sure our Class Agent would appreciate your sending in your contribution to the Alumnae Fund now.


Birth: To Ruth Battey Silver, a second daughter, Joan, April 30, 1939. Big sister Janet will be four this March. The Silvers live in Aberdeen, Md. To Mary Storer Brooks, a son, Jonathan Storer, on May 20, 1939. Mary’s other children are Patricia, 6, and Robin, 4.

Two new addresses from brides of last summer came in my Christmas mail: Alice Owens Ansley (Mrs. Edwin), 2450 Peachtree Rd., Atlanta, Ga., and Dorothy McDonald Johnson (Mrs. Rob-
Being in the child-rearing business myself, one of my pleasures is to become acquainted with my classmates’ children. This summer, while business-tripping with my husband, I met a most engaging two-year-old in Concord, N. H.—violet eyes, long lashes, short brown ringlets, and an impish smile. Her name is Susan, and her mother is Esther Chandler Taylor. Ralph, a graduate of the School of Agriculture of the University of New Hampshire, runs a farmers’ supply store in Concord. Essie, among her many virtues, makes grand blueberry muffins.

Another charming member of the second generation lives near enough to play with my children (and she’s such a live wire she runs circles around them). This is three-year-old Connie Hill, daughter of Annise Clark Hill. She is tall and slim like her mother, blue-eyed with short blond curls. Her father, Carl, is so fond of gardening that they have gone rural, Carl commuting to his office at the New England Power Co. in Boston. Their address is 62 Rockland St., Natick, Mass.

Cora Lutz has recently been honored by the publication of an elaborate work of scholarship, which appears under the auspices of the Medieval Academy of America, and was made possible by grants of funds from the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the American Council of Medieval Societies. The publication is an edition of the commentary of John the Scot on the de nuptiis Philologiae et Mercurii of Martianus Capella. The book is impressive in size and appearance, and admirably printed.


Marriage: Sarah Emily Brown to George Weber Schoenhut in Lexington, Mass., on Oct. 7. When I talked with Say Say just before the wedding, she told me she was marrying a man whose name she couldn’t spell! Address: Wyco, Pa.

Birth: To Peggie Briggs Noble, a daughter, Deborah, on July 13. Peggie’s other daughter, Helen Frances, aged five, is now in school.

Address: Hilda Van Horn Rickenbaugh, 900 Brookewood Court, Birmingham, Mich.

A note from Mollie Hawley Smith says: “Memphis climate has been very hard on our Sylvia. She was sick for months until I finally took her to Massachusetts. She is well now, and the Smiths are beginning to live again.”

Karla Heurich King spent the Christmas holidays in Washington. Pat Towson Moeller is vacationing in Florida. Also in Florida is Fran Huling. She is working in the sports department of Best’s at Palm Beach and also devotes much time to tennis. She played in an exhibition match recently and won splendid reports in the papers.


Marriage: Eunice Mason to Arthur F. Blaser on Sept. 16. They hoped to spend his sabbatical year from Rensselaer in London, but they will remain in New York instead.

Births: To Connie Jacobsen Cade, a son, Carl Robert, on Dec. 15; to Peg Bristol Carleton, a daughter, Susan; to Adeline McMiller Stevens, a son, Thomas Laing, Jr., on Dec. 31.

We extend deepest sympathy to Muriel Kendrick for the death of her mother in November. Kenny is teaching in Laconia. Last summer she went to Honolulu for seven weeks and ran into Ruth Scudder Gilmore ex-29, who lives there.

Janet Boomer Barnard sent me a grand letter. She frequently sees Smudge Gove Studley, who is busy with the League of Women Voters. Mary Slayter has retired from the business world and will spend her time “going rural.” (Entirely my own idea. Please correct,
Slayter!) Pat Hine Myers and her husband stopped at Jan’s last August. “All 29ers welcome anytime,” says Jan. Verne Hall is teaching in Winchester. Speedro Greer has moved all her goods and chatels to 470 E. 52nd St., N. Y. C. Becky Rau is taking a part-time physio-therapy job in Winona, Minn.

Flash! Bibbo Riley breaks out in print. Don’t miss the Jan. 8 issue of Life in which “Life goes to Houseparty at Bowdoin.” The person on p. 61 with the very good rear view is our own Bibbo. Those “wandering Pielages” are located in Olivet, Mich. (Box 311), but I have no word of what Maggie and Joe are doing.

A note from Erin Morris tells me she had two books accepted for publication and some 22 song lyrics. Hats off to you, Erin! She also mentions a gain in weight from 105 to 140 pounds.

From Jean Hamlet Dudley’s clever Christmas edition of “Dudley Doings” we gather that she and Dud have an apartment on Pequot Ave. in New London. We also note some interesting bits about her wedding—such as a certain attendant and classmate of ours losing her petticoat during the ceremony!

1930. CORRESPONDENT: Louisa M. Kent, 555 W. 173rd St., N. Y. C.

Ruth Jackson Webb of Denver left her two-year-old son recently long enough to journey eastward, stopping in Cleveland for a chat with Fran Gabriel Hartman. Fran’s child, Diane, is now fourteen months old.

The Bradburys (Bianca Ryley) of New Milford, who have settled in the Connecticut hills with chickens, horses, fields of corn, hay, and clover, added Michael to their menage on August 29. Bianca says, “This raising boys is a nice racket.”

Another Michael, the son of Lt. and Mrs. Harry Davis (Dorothy Feltner), was born just three weeks before Christmas. Big sister “Dotzie,” aged three, finds this a very happy situation. Dot and family are living in St. Margarets, Annapolis, with woods and river at their door.

Johnny Johnson is Mrs. Doctor Robert Hume, lives in Olean, N. Y., and recently celebrated her daughter’s first birthday. Mary Nichols Connell ex-’31 has been found in Darien, Conn., bringing up twins. Virginia Williams Goodman ex-’30 has a daughter, Jane, and lives in Cleveland. Our Cleveland agents also report that Fanny Young, seen recently at a C. C. dance there, looks just as young as she did ten years ago.

Helen Weil Elfenbein, whose New London address gives us nostalgic twinges for the Thames, Lighthouse Inn, and Ocean Beach, has a Betsy and a Billy, five and two respectively, who sound like great fun.

We hear that Jane Murphy is becoming prominent in Danbury activities and that Emily Tomlinson is doing social work in Portland, Me. Bob White Keniston sent out very attractive greeting cards this year from her young son Jock.

Betty Edwards is a doctor’s technician and office manager in Stamford, treasurer of the Fairfield County Alumnae Chapter, devoted aunt to a bouncing lad of two, runner-up in the state badminton ladies’ matches—and wonders why she can’t gain any weight.

Your new correspondent, who woke up one cold morning and found herself with this job, is most appreciative of the responses to her urgent S. O. S.’s. Working in the midst of a fairly large medical center, she catches glimpses of C. C. alumnae whose appendices, tonsils, or other useless appendages will not behave. Connie Green Freeman was a visitor in the fall, and only last week Honey Lou Owens Rogers ’28 left Harkness with a huge smile on her face and daughter No. 2 tucked under one arm.

1931. CORRESPONDENT: Caroline B. Rice, 129 E. 82nd St., N. Y. C.

Births: A second daughter, Rachel, to Toot Holley Spangler, April 26, 1939.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Francis P. Guida (Anna Cofrancesco) a daughter, Martha, on November 2nd, 1939.

Lorna McGuire is now adviser of freshmen at Barnard College, where she also teaches English.

Betty Butler Shamel and her husband spent several days with Toot Holley Spangler last spring. Their visit was especially pleasant, Toot writes, for C. C. visitors are few and far between way out in Wisconsin. Toots says nothing can interfere with her plan to come east in 1941 for our tenth reunion.

Edna Martin, Bea Whitcomb, Aurelia Hunt Robinson, and I attended the C. C. Club monthly luncheon in January. Edna, Bea, and Iz Rieley Armington were present at the last Alumnae Weekend.

Connie Ganoe Jones is now living at 148 Imperial Ave., Bennington, Vt. She spent part of her Christmas vacation visiting in and about New York. From a snapshot I should say that her two and one-half-year-old daughter, Debby, looks just like Connie.

Have you sent in your contribution to the Alumnae Fund? We are still a long way from achieving our goal.

1932. Correspondent: Isabelle Bartlett Hogue, 142 Vesper St., Akron, O.

Billy Hazelwood reports that dues are not coming in very promptly. And how about your contribution to Alumnae Fund? Only 14 have given so far! A pretty weak showing, don’t you think?

Engagement: Louise Bunce to Winthrop Warner, yacht broker and designer of Middletown, Conn.


The following girls stole a march and were married—when? Carolyn Hincks to George R. Dillman; Edgewood School, Greenwich, Conn. Ruth Paul to Donald Miller; 69 Ward Pl., S. Orange, N. J. Dorothea Petersen to Kenneth A. Southworth, Jr.; 61 Glenwood Ave., E. Orange, N. J.

Birth: To Alice Winston Liebman, a son, Richard, Jr., on Jan. 6.

Betty Gabriel Haas keeps busy with Bobby 3 and Susan 2. She reports that Iz Ewing Knecht is busily supervising the construction of a new home. Ruth Seanor Hubbell has a son, John, aged 3, and a daughter, Jean, aged 8 months. Billy Hazelwood is directing two little theatre groups, one in Glastonbury, Conn., and the other in Longmeadow, Mass.

Pree Moore Brown writes enthusiastically of their 100-year-old home (143 Grafton St., Shrewsbury, Mass.) and even more so of her son, Stephen, aged 1 year. Prue Bradshaw Adams and her husband visited Pree and then journeyed to New Ipswich, N. H., to see Ruthie Caswell Clapp and family. Mary Kent, who also visited Pree, is in charge of the school library at Staatsburg, N. Y.

Faith Conklin Hackstaff and her husband are stationed at Bozny, Russia.

Three good resolutions for 1940 are: Pay dues, Pay Alumnae Fund contribution, and Send news!


First of all, your correspondent apologizes and corrects two errors in recent items. Ruth Hawkins wrote me posthaste after the Fall News that she is engaged but not yet married to Thomas S. Huntley. She is working at the Open Book Shop in Elgin. Second, although I’m sure she is capable of it, Betty Parkhurst is not the one with the new job with
Lockheed Aircraft; it is husband Ned. Some of us would like her new address in California in case we should get out west this spring.


Most of my items came unsolicited this time squeezed on the backs of Christmas cards. Through this medium, we learn that Jerry Wertheimer has chucked her job and, becoming nostalgic for Third Floor Branford, Inc., is coming east in January to check up on things. Ginny Parrish is back in the comparative quiet of Barranquilla after a hectic summer in Europe. I should like to promise a feature article on their hasty return, but that depends on whether I can wheedle it out of her via long-distance mail.

On my weekly trips to New York (for courses at the N. Y. School of Social Work) I did manage to see K. J. Jackson ex-33, who is working at Altmann’s, and Gay Stephens, who drove 100 miles so that we could lunch together and discuss reunion. Some of us have it decidedly in mind, and the rest of you will hear more later. Do you want a banquet or a picnic? What about costumes? What can we plan that you will come back for?

**1934. CORRESPONDENT: Elizabeth Turner Gilfillan, 28 S. 32nd St., Camp Hill, Pa.**

Thanks to Toots Rush Roberts and to your help, we really have some news!

**Engagements:** Jane Petrequin to Aubrey E. Hackenburg; Violet Stewart to Raymond Ross of New Milford, Conn.

**Marriages, Recent and Less Recent:**


**Births:** To Lucile Austin Cutler, a son, Theodore, Oct. 12. To Lillian Bacon Hearne, a daughter, Susan Blair, Oct. 21. To Florence Baylis Skilton, a son, Robert, Jr., April 27. To Nan Laycock Olmstead, a son, Richard W., Jr., Aug. 5, 1938. To Betsy Turner Gilfillan, a son, Robert George III, on Nov. 20. To Helen Merwin Tally, a daughter, Sue Anne, Sept. 22. To Elizabeth Moon Woodhead, a second son, Ward Moon, on Oct. 4. To Lydia Riley Harrison, a son, Harrison III, Dec., 1938.

**1935. CORRESPONDENT: Margaret T. Watson, R.F.D. 3, Silverside Rd., Wilmington, Del.**
Engagements: Barbara Rohrmayer to Alfred L. Otis of W. Hartford. The wedding will occur in May. Madlyn Hughes to Francis B. Wesley III. They plan to be married in the late spring and live in Philadelphia, where he is employed. Dorothy Prillig to Julius Rosenblum of Brooklyn. MT Watson to William M. O'Neill of Indianapolis. The wedding will be in June.

Marriages: Pudge Sawtelle to Samuel Ehrlich on Aug. 25. They are living at 37 Auburn St., Brookline, Mass. Dorothy Krinsky to Morris Stein on Oct. 8. Address: 126 Plaza Ave., Waterbury, Conn.

Birth: To Rene Dewey Walsh, a son, Don Dewey Walsh, on Sept. 26.


Don’t forget this will be our fifth reunion. Are you all planning to be there?

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

This department is most grateful for a long letter from Maggie Waterman and wishes that more of the class would write. After getting another degree at Teachers College last year, Maggie is teaching English at the Junior High in Yarmouth, Mass. She is also the inspiration behind the dramatic department, doing writing, costuming, and staging of the school pageants and plays.

Engagement: Bunny Dorman to William O. Webster, Dartmouth graduate, of Pelham Manor, N. Y.

Marriages: Elinor Knoche to David Baird on Oct. 7 in White Plains, N. Y. They will live in Hartford, where Mr. Baird is with the Conn. Life Insurance Co. Anne Anderson ex-’36 to Raymond R. Thompson in Morristown, N. J. They will live in Scotia, N. Y. Mr. Thompson is with the General Electric Co. Petie Spalding to Edmund Zacher on Oct. 14 in Lowell, Mass. They will live in Rochester, N. Y.

1937. CORRESPONDENT: Lucille Barrera, 54 School St., Manchester, Conn.


Elizabeth Schumann, 1443 President St., Brooklyn, N. Y., has announced her engagement to Edgar Rogers Everitt. They plan to be married in the fall.


Births: To Soapie Kirkman Payne, a son, Guy Arthur, last summer. To Fay Irving Squibb, a daughter, Marilyn, last fall. To Betty Jane Buell Mulford ex-’37, a son. To M. Louise Cook Swan, a daughter, Judith Louise, on Jan. 18.

Libby Hamlin returned last November from an exciting trip around the world on a British freighter. Before her trip Libby had studied costume designing for two years in Los Angeles. After spending the winter at home in Providence, Libby expects to return to the West Coast.
Liza Bissell has an interesting new publicity position with the Columbia National Life Insurance Co. in Boston. Liza writes that Phoebe Nibbs is still at the Harvard Business School as secretary, that Lee Gilson is teaching a primary school class in Milton Academy, that Coco Tollotson is working at the Little Useful Shop, and that Betty Von Colditz Bassett recently enjoyed two weeks of skiing in the Laurentian Mountains. Liza is a member of the Project Committee of the Boston Junior Advertising Club.

The Nominating Committee met at Thanksgiving and drew up a slate of officers. Please make a point of returning your ballot letter. This is an experimental way of voting, but we hope it will prove more efficacious than waiting until June.


Birth: To Margaret Ames Cookman ex-'38 a son, Bryant S., Jr., on Aug. 9. Margie is now living at W. 8th St., Stamford, Conn.

Bobbie Lawrence is "hibernating in the wilds of New Jersey" (she didn't give her address!), learning to write. She is starting on a novel. Best of success, Bobbie! Gertrude Backus has returned safely from the war zone. Judy Waterhouse has a position at Macy's in the Personnel Department. Jean Pierce is working at the Boston Airport. Betty Brewer has been on a trip to California. Mary Hellwig is doing volunteer work at Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, and also learning to cook! Emily Agnes Lewis is giving advice on "modernizing your kitchen." And the rest of you?

1939. Correspondent: Dede Lowe, 1156 W. Exchange St., Akron, O.

Middy Weitlich married Charles F. Gieg on June 30 and is living in Sewickley, Pa. Betsey Parcells and Charles Arms were married July 3 and live in Plaza Apartments, Toledo, O. Ruth Wilson announced her engagement to Thomas Cass of Philadelphia last July. Phyllis Ranken—now Mrs. Peter D. Burgess, living at 636 Parrot D.
San Mateo, Calif.—is cooking, sweeping, cleaning!

Irene Traggis is taking a twenty-month course in medical technology at Temple University Medical School. Mildred Lingard entered Yale School of Nursing, where she plans to get her R.N. and M.N. Frankie O'Keefe worked in the allergy clinic of the Massachusetts General Hospital during July and went to Bermuda in August with Bets Lyon. Caroline Neef is attending the School of Library Service at Columbia, and living at Johnson Hall, 411 W. 116th St., N. Y. C. Pat Pope is going to the Vesper George Art School. Elizabeth Jordan worked a month in G. Fox & Co., Hartford, and is now attending the Prince School, Simmons College, for a year's course in department store work. Carol Prince is an assistant in the chemistry department of the Woman's College, University of Delaware. Virginia Taber spent the summer in Europe and is now at home. Mags Robison became a provisional member of the Junior League and has redecorated her room—even to taking off the paper and painting the walls! Nancy Weston and Mary Belle Kelsey are working at the Aetna Life Insurance Co., Hartford. Muriel Hall is a student dietitian in the Presbyterian Hospital, Medical Center, N. Y. C. Dorothy Clements is on the staff of the Children's Center in New Haven, having herself a time helping the children solve their problems. Mary Driscoll is working in the laboratory of the Hungerford Hospital in Torrington, Conn. Rose Lazarus is studying interior decoration and architecture at the N. Y. School of Fine and Applied Arts. Butt Patton is at Miss Pierce's Secretarial School and lives at the Students' Union, 96, The Fenway, Boston. I. Dede, "have been doing volunteer work in the 'Hospitality Shoppe' at the City Hospital and have dreams of going skiing, maybe!"

**"The Male Animal" Benefit**

**Great Success**

On Wednesday evening, March 6th, the New Jersey, New York, and Westchester chapters presented a benefit performance of James Thurber and Eliot Nugent's delightful comedy of university life, "The Male Animal." The benefit was a brilliant success from all points of view, and represents arduous and intelligent work by all alumnae groups. Details of the affair will be given in the next issue of the News.
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