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SATURDAY, JUNE 13

- 10 a.m. Annual Meeting, Alumnae Association 106 Bill Hall
- 12:30 p.m. Trustees' Luncheon for Alumnae and Faculty Thames Hall
- 4-5:30 p.m. President Blunt's Garden Party Terrace, Jane Addams House
- 6 p.m. Class Day Exercises. Senior-Alumnae Parade Outdoor Theatre
- Ivy Planting, Singing of Alma Mater Library Steps
(In case of rain, exercises will be held in Palmer Auditorium)
- Reunion Dinners (Time to be arranged by Reunion Chairmen)
- Class of 1925 Buck Lodge, Arboretum
- Class of 1926 Lighthouse Inn
- Class of 1927 Lighthouse Inn
- Class of 1928 Buck Lodge, Arboretum
- Class of 1941 Dutch Room, Mohican Hotel. Informal
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner, Class of 1911 (Members of all classes not having reunions)
. Knowlton House

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

- 11 a.m. Baccalaureate Service. For Seniors and their Families Only
. Harkness Chapel
- 1 p.m. Winthrop Scholars Luncheon College Inn. One Dollar
Speaker, Dean Rosemary Park
- 4 p.m. Commencement Exercises The Frank Loomis Palmer Auditorium
Address by Mrs. James W. Morrisson, Secretary of the Board
of Trustees, Connecticut College

Dr. Erb — An Appreciation

Faculty Member to Retire in June

By Gertrude Noyes '25

On February 5, 1923 Connecticut College felt the impact of a vibrant new personality—genial, competent, philosophic. From that day Dr. Erb has won and held the affection and respect of his colleagues, the students—most of whom he has taught and greets unerringly by their first names—and the alumnae.

A series of campus vignettes may suggest the variety of his daily life. Mornings he may usually be found in his glass-enclosed office in Holmes Hall dispensing wise counsel. Later in appreciation classes he pours forth musical knowledge at top speed; yet he pauses to make intricate compositions clear and to recall remote geniuses to life with a human anecdote. At noon he spans the campus with brisk strides on the way to Mrs. Erb and the big white house on Williams Street. Afternoons he may be found happily immersed in the organ pit in the Chapel luring the soul from the fine Austin which he helped to design. During concerts he occupies his special seat in the Auditorium with critical ears cocked and keen brain recording every effect for the discriminating review of the evening's performance which he will write by the midnight oil. Although committee meetings and routine appointments do not lend themselves to vignettes, they occupy an alarming share in the life of a professor; but it has never occurred to Dr. Erb to plead artistic temperament as a reason for neglecting the least or dullest of his duties.

To desert impressionism for a few facts, both student enrollment and the membership of the department have grown steadily under Dr. Erb's direction. Friday Chapels, consisting of fine organ programs by Dr. Erb, are always well attended. Recitals have become less formidable and

more frequent, and are now regarded not as trials or exhibitions but as a natural sharing of musical experience. The Competitive Sings held in mid May are among the most delightful and picturesque tradi-



tions of the College, and it is Dr. Erb who oversees them and awards the coveted cup.

Probably most significant and successful among his innovations was the establishment in 1934 of the general music course, which is unique and conforms to conditions at C. C. Introduced in the difficult years when few students could afford private instruction, the plan has gathered momentum until in the present year thirty-four students are studying piano, eleven voice, and seven organ under this arrangement. For the benefit of pre-1934 alumnae, I may say briefly that this plan embraces study of an instrument or voice in classes of three or four and simultaneous

and closely integrated courses in music appreciation and composition. Many students who would not or could not take private lessons have thus received much pleasure and training in music.

In his early days at Connecticut Dr. Erb wrote ambitiously in the *News*: "I should like to see in Connecticut College a development of musical interest and resources to such an extent that every student and faculty member . . . should take part in some musical activity or activities." If Dr. Erb's desire has not been completely realized, it is due not to any lack of endeavor on his part but to the height of his aspiration, the limitations of the rest of us, and the pressure of the world. We have always with us the over-practical and the over-busy, not to mention the tone deaf. Music is, however, available on the hilltop for those who wish it, from the secluded recesses of the Carnegie Room to the glamor of the Boston Symphony on the stage of the Auditorium.

Much of what I have said so far is familiar to alumnae. We are all appreciative of Dr. Erb's role in College life, and that would seem to constitute a complete and valuable career. We must not, however, overlook the prominent place he occupies in the musical life of America. Since Dr. Erb is not one to boast of his achievements, reports of these come floating in from without. We feel proud indeed when we read such tributes as that paid him in the Oct., 1941 *Musician* by the editor, Nicholas de Vore:

One will go far before he will find combined in one personality the conservative educator and progressive and far-seeing thinker, that have enabled Dr. Erb to make so powerful an impress upon the didactic systems of his generation. Others may have made more spectacular pronouncements and more radical proposals; but Dr. Erb, always modest, seemingly unassuming and safe-sane-and-conservative, has contentedly allowed his advanced ideas to gather momentum of their own weight, as frequently

echoed in the utterances of his confrères.

Before his coming to New London Dr. Erb was already well known among American musicians. He had amassed a rich musical training with degrees and honors, and had held such positions as director of the conservatory of the College of Wooster, director of the School of Music at the University of Illinois, and managing director of the American Institute of Applied Music in New York City. He had already served several terms as president of the Music Teachers National Association, an organization consisting of college and university teachers, which has sponsored many of the significant advances in musical education. In the famous Bohemian Club he has enjoyed informal contacts with outstanding artists and writers on music. He has thus been long in a position to follow closely developments in music and to spread his own philosophy of music efficaciously.

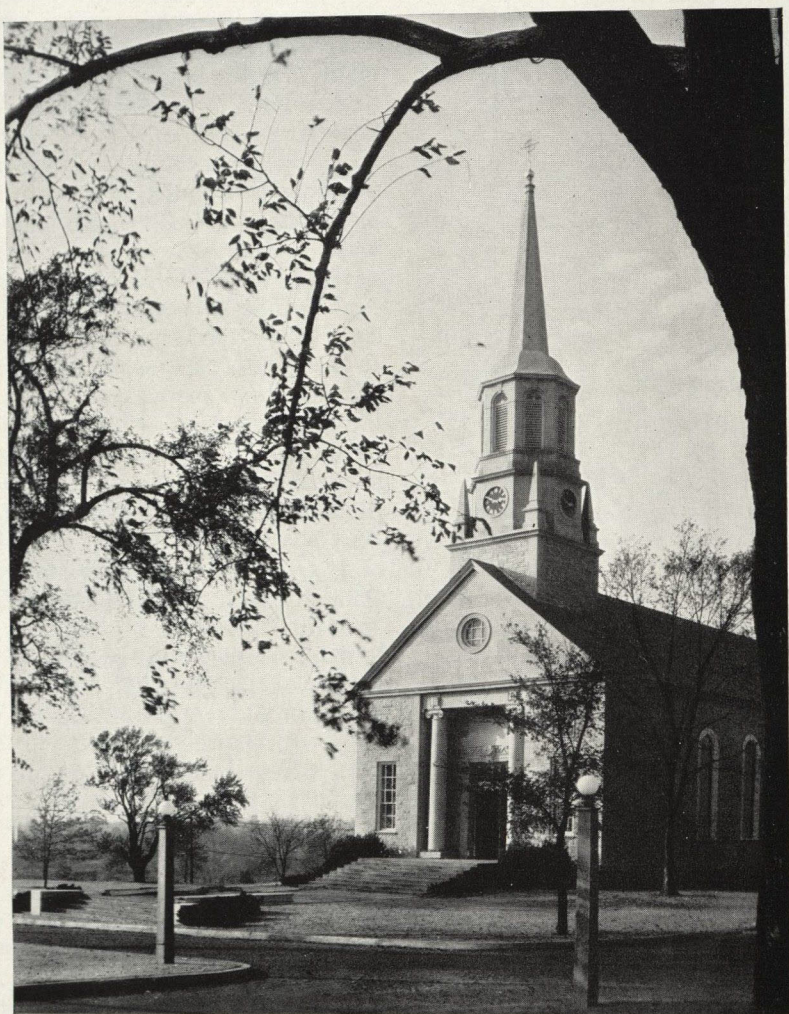
Dr. Erb has also been a prolific writer. Among other works he has produced two basic texts, *The Elements of Harmony* (1911) and *Music Appreciation for Students* (1926). He was the first to write a life of Brahms in English (1905), a work which achieved an enviable blend of scholarship and readability and was so successful as to require reprints in 1913 and 1925 and a revised edition in 1934. When in 1931 a need was felt to bring W. J. Baltzell's well known *Complete History of Music* up to date, Dr. Erb was selected to make revisions and extensive additions.

Dr. Erb's philosophy of musical education was, however, spread mainly through more than 300 articles contributed to various musical journals. Here he appears conspicuously as an enthusiastic student and promoter of American music and, as his career proceeded, more and more as a champion of the amateur. He believes that in a democracy, as on a college campus, there should be music for all and that music cannot be adequately appreciated without some participation. In his article in the issue of the *Musician* mentioned above, he

writes characteristically: "It is a safe guess that musical 'talent' is more common than is usually believed. Entirely apart from the matter of talent, however, is the capacity to enjoy music, which seems to be almost universal."

Finally, Dr. Erb is well known as a composer in various kinds—organ and piano music, songs, anthems, pageants. Prob-

ably many alumnae will recall his lovely *Serenade*, a favorite with C.C. choirs and audiences through the years. While we are on the subject of productions and by way of triumphal conclusion, we might mention the fact that the Erbs have also produced a son, Donald, who is president of the University of Oregon, and who accounts for many of their Western trips.



Here and There on Campus

Mr. Arthur W. Quimby, head of the music department at Flora Stone Mather college, Western Reserve university, and Curator of Music in the Cleveland Art Museum, has been appointed head of the music department to succeed Dr. Erb. As an organist, pianist, conductor of choral groups, teacher and lecturer, Mr. Quimby has much experience to recommend him, and for the past fifteen years he has been a leader in musical circles in Cleveland. In connection with his museum work he has been interested in providing concerts in period music to parallel the exhibitions in painting and sculpture shown by the museum. He is a native of New England, a graduate of Harvard in 1920, has studied in Paris and Leipzig. Mrs. Quimby, herself a musician, and the three children will come east with Mr. Quimby this summer.

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Announcement has been made of the concert series for next year. The artists include Albert Spalding, violinist; the First Piano Quartet; the Boston Symphony, Serge Koussevitzky, conductor; the General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus; Guiomar Novaes, pianist, and Enya Gonzalez, soprano, in joint recital.

The concert series was begun in 1939 primarily to afford the students the opportunity of hearing fine music. During the first season approximately two-thirds of the tickets were held by students, and one-third by townspeople. During the third season only one-fourth of the tickets were held by students.

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In March Mrs. Reinhold Niebuhr, lecturer in the department of religion at Barnard College and wife of one of the favorite vesper speakers, Dr. Reinhold Niebuhr of Union Theological Seminary, directed

a three-day religious conference on the theme, "Rediscovering our Faith."

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Since early in February employers have been on campus almost daily to interview seniors for the many jobs now available. Representatives have come from *Life*, *Time*, and *Fortune*, Macy's, several insurance companies, the International Business Machines Corporation, the General Electric Company. According to the Personnel Bureau job prospects for the class of 1942 are brighter and more varied than they have been for any graduating class in the past ten years.

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Seven seniors, Verna Pitts of Orange, Conn.; Mary Franklin, Cranford, N. J.; Lenore Tingle Howard, Garden City, N. Y.; Lois Brenner, Ridgewood, N. J.; Barbara Beach, Minneapolis, Minn.; Nancy Wolfe, Centerville, O.; Helen Hingsburg of Seattle, Wash., were recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Sixty-seven students were included on the honors list announced for the first semester of 1941-42. Of these twenty-six were from the senior class, thirteen were juniors, eight sophomores, and twenty freshmen.

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The Defense Committee, composed of students and faculty, successfully carried out its drive to raise funds for the children of the United Nations. Approximately \$2,000 was raised, which will be given to the children of England, China, Russia, and our own southern mountain districts.

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Emily Abbey House, the cooperative dormitory, won the \$25 prize in the annual competition for the best house library. The prize is given yearly by an

anonymous donor for excellence in the choice of additions to the house libraries.

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May 16 was Fathers' Day on the campus, and despite all the difficulties occasioned by gas rationing 147 fathers were on hand for the eighth annual gathering of fathers of students. In the morning the visitors attended classes. Following an informal reception at Miss Blunt's home luncheon and a smoker were held in Thames. Further activities included a father-daughter soft ball game, an organ recital by Dr. Erb, and finally the traditional Freshman Pageant.

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The French Bazaar held in Knowlton in April was a great success, and an \$800 check was sent to the New London chapter of the Red Cross for the purchase of useful and needed articles of equipment. Under direction of Miss Ernst the ambitious affair was accomplished by the cooperation of the faculty and students of the college French department, the departments of botany, home economics, physics, and fine arts, as well as the three local high schools and numerous town organizations.

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Mrs. James W. Morrisson, secretary of the Connecticut College Board of Trustees, will be the speaker at the commencement exercises, to be held on Sunday afternoon, June 14. Mrs. Morrisson's topic will be "The Challenge of Danger." The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered Sunday morning by Dr. David Nelson Beach, whose daughter, Barbara Beach, is a member of the graduating class.

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The Palmer library, enlarged by the addition of three spacious wings, and with changes in the original building which unify the whole, was formally opened on May 9th with a brief ceremony. Expansion of the building was made possible by a gift of the late George S. Palmer and Mrs. Palmer of New London, donors of the original building. Their gift was made

in anticipation of the growth of the book collection. With it was used a \$40,000 grant to the college from the Carnegie corporation.

Mr. Bernhard Knollenberg, university librarian at Yale, in an address in the main reading room congratulated the college on the possession of its excellent library which he described as a "center of recreation, a museum of rare books and manuscripts, a place for research, and a tool for the teacher and his students." Miss Blunt expressed appreciation of the opportunities for scholarly work which the expanded facilities provide. Tea was served in Windham following the ceremony. During the afternoon student guides conducted visitors through the building.

The library changes consist chiefly of three added wings. East and west wings extend the south facade of the original building in accordance with the plans of the original architect, the late Charles A. Platt. The third wing extends northward from the main section of the library. In the west wing are the reference room on the main floor and the reserve book room. Staff offices are in the east wing.

On three sides of the stack on every level are small, excellently lighted studies or "carrels," about 100 in all. These, planned as an aid to independent work, each contain a desk, chair, bookshelves, and a fluorescent light. The desks are so placed in each carrel that the windows in all admit daylight over the student's left shoulder.

An interesting feature of the north wing is an air-conditioning system which makes it possible to provide the proper amount of moisture in the stack room to prevent deterioration of the books. Apparatus for the reading of newspaper and book film are in this wing. The main section of the library has been reorganized and redecorated. The reference room is furnished chiefly by the graduation gift of the Class of 1941. Its three brass and dark blue chandeliers were the junior class mascot and the gift from the class of 1943.

The College Today

Alumnae Conference Held on Campus

May 2, 3, 1942

Now more than ever the alumnae should know what is happening on campus, how the college is growing and changing, and in what ways the alumnae can be of help as individuals and groups. Believing that the best way of bringing the alumnae up-to-date is to have them return to the campus and see and hear for themselves, President Blunt and the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association sent an invitation to the president of each class and chapter, and to each Alumnae Fund Class Agent asking them to return to the campus for the weekend of May 2 and 3.

On the appointed weekend approximately fifty alumnae appeared, registered in the Alumnae Office, were assigned as overnight guests to members of the faculty, attended a meeting of the Alumnae Association, were guests of the college at dinner when Miss Blunt was the only speaker. The Saturday evening meeting was a symposium, *The College Today*, which, ably led by Agnes Leahy, Alumnae Trustee, was a most stimulating and informative session. Ten members of the administration and faculty spoke briefly, each on his special field or department. A picture of the college as a whole, the college today, was given, and it was a picture to make any alumna glow with pride.

An extensive tour of the campus was conducted Sunday morning by Miss Louise Potter, assistant to President Blunt. Miss Potter is an encyclopediac source of information concerning the campus and its day-to-day changes, and a better guide could not have been found.

Mary Crofoot DeGange '27 acted as secretary for the meetings, and in order that the detailed report of the weekend activities may be available to all alumnae the minutes are printed below.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

President Blunt was the speaker at the dinner for the alumnae group at 6:30 in Jane Addams house. She spoke briefly on the following points:

Applications. There are many more applicants for admission in September than can be admitted, and there is no lowering of academic standards because of wartime conditions.

Rumor. There is absolutely no truth in the current rumor that the college is to be taken over by the Government. Alumnae can help to kill the rumor.

Budget. The college budget for next year has been made to fit our income, with a sufficiently large balance to allow for meeting any unforeseen conditions which might arise. Our physical plant has reached the place where we shall not be expending as much for construction as has been necessary in the past several years.

Summer School. After consultation with officers of the U. S. Civil Service, the Department of Education, the United Aircraft Corporation, and other war industries, a summer session has been planned to fit the times. Training will be offered for chemists, statisticians, accountants, nursery school teachers, and secretaries. The session will run from June 29 to August 22. It is hoped that many alumnae will be among the student body.

Faculty. We are saddened by Dr. Erb's approaching retirement in June. Dr. Arthur Quimby now chairman of the department of music at Western Reserve university, Cleveland, will be Dr. Erb's successor.

Library. The additions to the library are now completed, and we have an adequate library equipped with all facilities

necessary for the greatest usefulness and efficiency.

Trustees. Mr. Freeman, chairman of our Board of Trustees, died a short time ago. We shall feel his loss greatly. During the past year Mr. Clement Scott of Hartford, another of our able trustees, died.

Lieb Fund. This scholarship fund now totals \$10,700, of which the alumnae have contributed \$2,900.

East House Addition. A new wing is being added to this dormitory which will include a faculty dining room and lounge, a student snack bar, and a number of additional student rooms on the upper floor.

Dimout. The college is required to shade all lights, and to be especially careful of those toward the Sound. Students are cooperating well and are taking all war precautions sensibly.

THE COLLEGE TODAY

The symposium was held in Jane Adams living room with Agnes Leahy presiding, and was followed by a question and discussion period. Brief talks were given by the following members of the faculty:

Admissions, Mr. Cobbledick. There have been no drastic changes in our admission requirements in recent years. All applicants are required to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test, and all applicants for scholarships are required in addition to take the Scholastic Achievement Test. Some regular applicants, not applying for scholarships, are also required to take the Scholastic Achievement Test as further proof of their preparation for admission. There are many more applicants than can be admitted. To date approximately 300 students have been admitted as freshmen and with advanced standing for September, 1942.

Academic Progress, Miss Dederer. New courses offered indicate trends of the times. Labor Problems will be a full course next year; this year a course in the Economics of Consumption has been offered; the department of History and Government is giving new courses in historical research; Latin-American History is being

given, and next Fall a survey course in Latin American Literature will be offered. We now have a major field in child development and nursery school training. The English department has made several changes. Composition and literature (English 1-2 and 3-4) are given as a combination course for two years. The Fine Arts department offers a course in graphic arts. The German department gives a course in English in German Civilization of the 19th and 20th centuries.

The Dean's Job, Miss Burdick. Dean Burdick went through her appointments for two days, explaining the kinds of problems and situations she had to meet. Among new situations are (1) the fact that twenty-one of our students have been married during the current year, of whom ten are still in college, and naturally the situation has some effect on other students; (2) Students frequently feel that they should help in the war effort by leaving college and getting jobs.

College Finances, Mr. Stamm, college treasurer, and member of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Stamm read excerpts from the treasurer's report of June 1928 and that of the past year, which indicated the sound financial condition of the college and the expansion of the college in many ways. In 1928 the total income was \$495,000; in 1941, \$864,000. The income from students and faculty in 1928 was \$403,000; in 1941, \$790,000. In 1928 the total amount of salaries was \$180,000; in 1941, \$337,000. At the present time the college has no mortgages on any of its buildings, and works well within its budget every year. Through gifts and appropriations from budget we have built the many new buildings of the past ten years.

Feeding and Housing the Students, Miss Harris. The college now has six trained dietitians and two residence assistants. There still are many student waitresses. Miss Harris emphasized the interesting variety of her job—working with the college administrative officers, with architects, interior decorators, dietitians, students, chefs, janitors, plumbers.

Present-day Problems of Nutrition, Miss Chaney. The college courses are all linked with community nutritional problems. Freshmen all take a course in nutrition, and this year many have taken the extra five hours required to get the Red Cross nutrition certificate. Home economics majors are active in the local community, giving courses in nutrition to townspeople, working in the day nursery, and giving radio talks.

Student Health, Dr. Scoville. The emphasis today is on prevention of illness. Under the direction of Miss Hartshorn of the physical education department a program of physical fitness and health education is being carried on. Students and faculty are greatly interested in first aid work, large numbers having taken the standard course, and some the advanced and instructors' courses.

Student and Alumnae Employment, Miss Ramsay. The seniors are getting good jobs. Fifty per cent of all those who have been interviewed have been offered jobs. During the last nine weeks there have been 125 interviews on campus, and interviewers seem favorably impressed with our students. Alumnae have been changing their jobs this year, usually for better ones.

The College and the Public, Mrs. Floyd. The Publicity Bureau consists of the director and twelve student assistants. The students cover the personal student news which is sent to the home towns of our students, and the director covers the college news. The alumnae can help by knowing all they can about the college and giving accurate information in response to questions of prospective students, parents, and school officials.

The College and Defense, Miss Dilley. The college defense committee was organized two years ago chiefly for the purpose of educating the college community in regard to defense problems, to decide between the many requests for relief which were pouring in from all over the world, and to raise money for at least one organization. Last year enough money was

raised on campus to "adopt" seventy British war orphans. Since December 7, 1941, the defense committee has expanded its functions greatly. It has charge of all disaster relief work and all safety precautionary measures which are being taken for any possible emergency. The whole college is well organized for an emergency.

ALUMNAE MEETING— ALUMNAE COUNCIL

The meeting was devoted chiefly to a discussion of the Alumnae Council which probably will meet on the campus for the first time next fall or winter. The organization of the Council was authorized at the annual meeting of the Association in June, 1941. The suggested set-up of the Council, as prepared by Marion Nichols Arnold '32, is as follows:

"The purpose of the Council shall be to strengthen the relations between the College and its alumnae, and between the Alumnae Association and its local chapters by obtaining and disseminating accurate information about the college; to help formulate alumnae policy and indicate lines of alumnae activity. It shall serve as an advisory body to the Association.

Membership: The Alumnae Council shall consist of the Executive Board of the Association, alumnae members of the Board of Trustees, one representative from each graduate class, one representative from each local chapter with an additional representative from each chapter having a paid membership of more than one hundred; councillors-at-large not to exceed five, to be appointed by the Executive Board. In the event of the inability of a councillor, or a councillor-at-large, to attend the Council meeting, her place shall be filled by an alternate appointed by class or chapter presidents, or the Executive Board respectively. Class Agents of the Alumnae Fund will also be members.

Meetings: The Council shall meet at least once a year other than at Commencement. Special meetings may be called at the direction of the Executive Board of the Association or at the written request

of ten members. Notice of stated meetings must be mailed to each member one month in advance.

Officers: The officers of the Council shall be a chairman and a secretary to be elected from the membership of the Council. The Executive Board shall appoint a chairman for the first term.

Elections: The Council shall determine its own method of election and appointment of members and the length of term."

The May 2nd and 3rd meeting was really a test-flight for the Alumnae Council. The information given to the alumnae, the opportunity for discussion among the faculty and alumnae, the possibility of

seeing the college when it was in regular session and not at the rushed Commencement period, the time for inspection of the campus, all these things will be factors in the success of the Alumnae Council, as they were during the May weekend. Both alumnae and faculty are thoroughly convinced of the great desirability of the Council. It will be the obligations of those class and chapter officers who attend to spread the new information further among their groups. Meantime the alumnae are grateful to President Blunt and to the faculty who were so largely responsible for the splendid sessions recently held on campus.

In Memoriam

Mr. Harrison B. Freeman, member of the college Board of Trustees since 1924 and its chairman since 1932, died in Hartford on April 9, 1942. Mr. Freeman's contributions to the growth of the college are reflected in many ways, chiefly in the increased budget for faculty salaries, in the number of new buildings, and in the excellent financial condition of the college. In a special chapel talk to the student body Miss Blunt spoke of Mr. Freeman's devotion to the affairs of the college and of the great loss his death had caused.

Among the Chapters

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Chicago

Three luncheons have been held this year, two in Chicago and one in Evanston. A successful sale was held to raise money for the Alumnae Fund. Beth McIlraith Henock, president, reports the organization of a chapter Red Cross unit with meetings held twice a month in the homes of members. The chairman of the unit is Peg Bear Gardner (Mrs. L. Gifford) '40. At each meeting small contributions are made specifically for the Alumnae Fund, thus combining war work and Alumnae Association activities.

Cleveland

Virginia Eggleston Smith '24 entertained the chapter in February when Renee Long of the Higbee Company spoke on styling one's personality and one's clothes. The March meeting, held at the home of Harriet Hickok Hardy ex'41 included a reading of "Blithe Spirit" by Harriet Mullin of the Cleveland Playhouse. It was decided that, as the members of the chapter are doing war work individually, no group activities would be planned. However, a collection box for loose change is in evidence at all meetings. Proceeds will be used for the purchase of defense stamps and, it is hoped, bonds.

Fairfield

The final report on the Harvest Bridge Party showed that \$45 was raised for the Alumnae Fund. The bridge was the first large money-raising affair held by the chapter, and both socially and financially the members considered it very successful. In March a luncheon meeting was held at the Red Barn. In consideration of gas and tire rationing and the forty-mile area of the county it was voted to reduce the num-

ber of meetings next year. Officers for the coming year are: Emily Daggy '34, president; Eleanor Harriman Baker '25, vice-president; Lesley Alderman ex'23, corresponding secretary; Muriel Dibble '34, recording secretary; Evelyn Utley '30, treasurer. War work is being done individually rather than by the group.

Hartford

Two money-raising affairs were held for the benefit of the Alumnae Fund, the annual Christmas dance and a bridge tea in March. Members of the chapter are active in community war efforts, being individually enlisted in Red Cross services, British War Relief, air raid warden duties, and many other activities. Virginia Clark '40 was appointed to serve as a delegate from the chapter on the Hartford Women's Defense Committee.

New Jersey

In September a meeting was held for students entering college, the program being arranged by recent graduates who distributed lists of "musts" for every college girl. Graduates discussed their college majors in relation to their present work, and a question period was held for small groups. Mrs. Chase Going Woodhouse, member of the college faculty and Secretary of State of Connecticut, was the guest speaker in October. In December the money-raising project was successfully concluded, and announcement was made that every member had participated. Dorothy Baldwin '37 was in charge of the February program which stressed interesting hobbies. At the April meeting Kathryn Moss, executive secretary of the Alumnae Association, reported on defense activities on the campus and explained the Alumnae

Council to be initiated next year. A member of a local trust company spoke on wills, explaining how and why they should be made. Under the direction of Edna Smith Thistle ex'26 the chapter helped to knit sweaters and helmets for the men of the U. S. Coast Guard, many of whom are inadequately clothed for patrolling the coasts in small boats during severe winter weather. The chapter gave \$10 for the purchase of wool.

New London

Many chapter members took an active part in the annual joint scholarship bridge (with the local A. A. U. W.) in April. Members are individually active in war work, but no group activity is planned.

New York

Meetings have been held each month as follows: October—Anna Lord Strauss, college trustee and president of the New York City League of Women Voters, was the speaker, and Mr. Sanchez of the college Spanish department was a guest. November—Fitzroy Davis, author, actor, and lecturer, spoke on the theatre. December—A reception was held in honor of President Blunt. January—K. Brent Woodruff, executive director of the American Committee for Christian Refugees, spoke most interestingly on his work. Spring—An evening meeting to which prospective students and their parents were invited was held at the Woodstock Hotel. Kathryn Moss was the guest speaker.

Fund raising for the year included several small benefit bridges; the sale of calendars, and of a Defense Bond.

Under the chairmanship of Elinor Hunken Torpey '24, Connecticut College representative at the University Women's Center, the chapter entertained 150 service men at the Biltmore Hotel in January. Invitations were issued through U. S. O. headquarters to any 100 service men on leave in New York who wished to accept, and a most interesting group of men came with their friends. Alumnae (89 of them) were hostesses, and the program included

monologues, musical numbers, dancing, card tricks, and bingo. Katherine Renwick Holbrook '24, radio actress, was responsible for much of the success of the program. Refreshments were donated by the members. The University Women's Center regarded the party as so successful that they requested the New York alumnae to give another as soon as possible.

Pittsburgh

A tea for present and prospective students was held in April. The members are active individually in war work.

Washington

Membership in the chapter is constantly increasing, and a cordial invitation is again given to alumnae who move to Washington or its environs to call Ruth Rusch '40, 1408 Montague Street, N. W., who will be glad to add their names to the chapter list.

Activities of the year previously unreported include the October meeting held at the home of Ruth Rusch and the November meeting at Virginia Stephenson's home with the superintendent of the Florence Crittenton Home as speaker. Early in January the chapter gave a tea for C.C.-minded students now attending nearby preparatory schools. The event, which was a most pleasant one, was held at the home of Virginia Walton. At the March business meeting, held at Edna Kelly's, it was voted to raise money for the Alumnae Fund by taxing the members.

A group of alumnae of various colleges in Washington have organized for the purpose of finding adequate living quarters for college women who have recently moved to the city. Connecticut alumnae have accepted the invitation to participate in this work, and feel that alumnae of other cities undergoing a war boom might also be interested in undertaking such work.

Waterbury

In March Katherine Colgrove was hostess at a "covered dish supper." Judge Harry Beardsley was the guest speaker.

Mr. Cobbledick, Director of Admissions, was guest speaker at the annual Spring luncheon in April to which seniors in local high schools were invited.

Westchester

A detailed census of war work being done by chapter members has been made by Gladys Westerman Greene, president. Three-fourths of the group are taking standard and advanced first aid courses, half have taken nutrition, several are doing canteen work, many knit, a few roll bandages and make surgical dressings. Gladys has been assigned to a medical

clinic at the senior high school, and is taking part in the Garden Club Information Center for Victory Gardens. In April a series of house to house bridge parties netted more money for the Alumnae Fund.

Maine

Maine alumnae, especially those in the vicinity of Portland, are hoping to organize a chapter and to function as the newest member of the chapter group. Mrs. Ralph B. Harvell (Marion Cogswell Harvell '26) will be glad to hear from those who are interested.



THE NURSERY SCHOOL IN ACTION

Class Notes

GERTRUDE NOYES '25, *Editor*, Connecticut College, New London, Connecticut

Commencement Weekend — June 13, 14. Reunion Classes — '25, '26, '27, '28, '41.

1919

GRACE COCKINGS, *Correspondent*, 82 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, Conn.

Lucy and her mother enjoyed a week-end in New York, where they attended the Flower Show and did some shopping.

Prent and her mother called on Irma, when Prent was in New London late in the winter. They are making plans already to go to the Berkshire Festival next summer.

Dot Gray Manion's Bob is learning to play the clarinet and played at a Father and Son meeting a while ago.

Marion Rogers Nelson was in an automobile accident this winter. She suffered no ill effects, but the car was somewhat damaged.

Jean Sawin Hawley is active in Red Cross, Faculty Club, and church work, in Amherst. Barbara, a freshman at the university of Connecticut, is wearing a "frat" pin already. Janice is a sophomore at high school, and Eugene is in the second grade. Jean's husband was appointed Treasurer of Massachusetts State College after a year's leave of absence to get his M.A. in Business Administration.

1920

BETTY RUMNEY POTEAT, *Correspondent*, Sport Hill Pkwy., Easton, Route 1, Bridgeport, Conn.

It is gratifying to hear from so many of you that you are doing First Aid, Nurses Aid, Nutrition, etc., to help the war effort.

Joan Odell writes that Ray Smith visited her for a week-end in November. Dave is doing clerical work for the Home Defense Committee and is active in church and P.T.A. work. Dot Stelle Stone, while in Boston recently, met Esther Batchelder, who had flown up from Washington for a nutrition conference.

Congratulations to Fanchon Title on her appointment as Girl Scout Commissioner of Hartford.

Leah Silber is devoting two days a week to Red Cross and says she hasn't allowed herself to hoard except for that extra girdle and pair of galoshes.

Kay Hulbert Hall is the busiest person, doing all the Red Cross courses plus a Civilian Defense Course at Wellesley on the "care of children in war time." She was admitted to the Boston Manuscript Club in January, and in March won first prize in the Club for light verse and first prize for short story writing. We are proud of you, Kay. She represented our class on May 2 and 3 at a meeting on campus to discuss how alumnae can be of greatest help to their college during the war period.

Al Schell lunched with Helen Gage Carter in Cleveland recently.

Congratulations, Feta, on being the new President of the Bristol Girls Club.

Yesterday I received a letter from Miff Howard from Florida, where she is spending part of her sabbatical leave from Mt. Holyoke. The first two months of her leave she spent editing a "hand book on winter sports and outing activities" for the National Section on Women's Athletics. She will return north via Williamsburg.

1922

MARGARET BAXTER BUTLER, *Correspondent*, 775 Lorraine Ave., Grosse Pointe, Mich.

A note from Jeanette Sperry Slocum reports her marriage on Feb. 7 to Wayne Thompson. Her address is 3 Crescent Rd., Winchester, Mass.

Constance Hill Hathaway wrote that they sold their house in Maplewood, N. J., last spring and moved to a new home at 7 Taylor Place, South Orange, N. J.

Ruth Bacon Wickwire has been Dean of Women at Hanover College in Indiana this year.

Claudine Smith Hane's daughter, Melicent, is taking a pre-medical course in preparation for medical technology at the Junior College in Northfield, Minn., and

is planning to enter the University of Minnesota next fall. Marjorie Wells had operations on her eye last fall. The doctor was trying to correct a muscle imbalance, and she was apparently pleased with the results.

Alice Hagar Schoffstall's brother, Lyon, died in the middle of December after a long illness, and her father died the day before Christmas. Our sympathy to Alice.

Gertrude Avery Krout, her husband, and little June have moved to Paxton, Mass.

Marguerite Mills Murphy enjoyed a vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., early this winter. In February she fell in her home and broke her leg, and was in the hospital for some time. She was pretty frustrated when she had so much war work to do.

1923

MARY LANGENBACHER CLARK, *Correspondent*, 62 Dryden Rd., Upper Montclair, N. J.

Florence Hopkins has been teaching at Torrington High School every year except one since graduating from C.C. She writes: "This year I have a pupil whose father I taught in 1924. . . . I have taken a first aid course recently under Catherine Calhoun '25, who is librarian here." Last summer Florence and her sisters drove through the White Mountains to Quebec, took a boat trip up the Saguenay, and then drove around the Gaspé.

I did appreciate having one post card answered. May I have more by June 5?

1924

ELINOR HUNKEN TORPEY, *Correspondent*, 83-73 Charlecotte Ridge, Jamaica Estates, N. Y.

I telephoned Maddie Foster Conklin the other day to find out if our Treasury could afford to send a representative to the Alumnae Association Defense Conference being held on Campus May 2 and 3. Though we haven't a large sum, and it was collected toward a gift to the College at our next reunion in 1943, it seemed advisable to spend what little would be needed to have our class represented at this conference. So I attended and enjoyed greatly said meeting.

Maddie told me of her visit in March

with Ellen McCandless Britton, who lives at 301 Forest Hill Blvd., Knoxville, Tenn. Ellen has a charming home, garden, and daughter. Her husband is connected with the Athletic Department of the University of Tenn. However, a recent letter from Ellen says that she has since been sick and has had to undergo an operation. We hope that, by the time she reads these notes, she will be fine again.

I've heard from no other 1924ers, but no news must be good news. I'm sure that we are all using every available minute doing what we feel most useful for our country. Modestly I'll mention what I am doing, in hopes that others will write and tell of the much bigger and more important things they are doing. Since the outbreak of war the Girl Scout movement has grown in leaps and bounds in our community. I have been helping to form new troops, am the leader of a Brownie Troop to which my daughter belongs, and have helped in the drive to raise money. The Woman's Club of Jamaica Estates is another of my side lines. Being program chairman has been a busy job, because the Club is on an all-out war basis, conducting Red Cross, Victory Garden, and U. S. O. projects. The League of Women Voters and our New York Alumnae Club both have me on their lists as Vice President, but I do not have much time to devote to either. For the alumnae I gave a benefit bridge here at home, had eight tables and quite a few alumnae as well as guests, but no 1924ers. However, when I was in charge of the Service Party, Billy Renwick Holbrook took over the entertainment and made the party a success. Eddy Langenbacher Breede helped, too. We entertained 150 soldiers and sailors, and had a fine time. My main job, however, is running my home.

1925

CATHERINE CALHOUN, *Correspondent*, 44 Cook Street, Torrington, Conn.

Just as your correspondent was about to open a campaign for news for this column, she and her appendix had to part company—and she did not get into circulation again until almost the dead line.

Dorothy Roberts McNeilly is living in a new home on Fairmont Ave., Chatham, N. J. She finds it a "full time job, keep-

ing house and looking after my incredibly lively two and a half year old daughter."

Charlotte Frisch Garlock replied to a request for news: "News of me? We have two charming boys: Bobby Jr., 7, and Peter, 3. Also a handsome dog, an English Springer, Beau. As for my activities, I've been recording secretary of our Westchester alumnae group this year and have helped organize a completely new organization, The Child Guidance Center, with offices in New Rochelle which serve Eastern Westchester. It is a private, non-sectarian Child Guidance Clinic, and I am the volunteer psychiatric social worker. The staff is all volunteer with the exception of the psychiatrist director. Have completed First Aid and am lined up as a social worker under the Red Cross to function in the event of disaster. I have also been active in the P.T.A. of Bobby's school and am to address an evening meeting of the P.T.A. in one of the New Rochelle schools on the Effect of War on the Emotional Life of the Child."

Our sympathy goes to Betsy Allen on the death of her father. Betsy was enroute from California to Florida to visit her family and could not be reached.

Orpha Brown Mitchell is chairman of the program committee of the ladies' society of the church and has been substitute chairman of the Foreign Policy Group of the League of Women Voters. These two jobs, plus air raid duty and the care of three children, keep her busy. That her family is growing up is indicated by a P.S. to her letter: "Ann has a beau, and Sarah has learned to milk a cow."

Parkie McCombs would like to hear from all of you. To date two have responded to her reunion letters, Peg Ewing Hoag and Charlotte Lang Carroll, and they can't come. Won't you write either Parkie (Dr. Parks McCombs, 147 East 50th St., N.Y.C.) or Peg Cort Palmer (Mrs. Courtland Palmer, Waterford, Conn.) and express your wishes? June is almost here, and '25 should have a good representation on campus.

When we do meet I hope that we all haven't changed as much as your correspondent and Janet Goodrich Dresser apparently have. We were both at the same wedding last summer; but the first I knew about it was in January, when Janet sent

me a note in which she remarked about being in Torrington for the wedding.

1927

BARBARA TRACY COOGAN, *Correspondent*, 236 Greendale Ave., Needham, Mass.

Born to Winifred Maynard Wright a daughter, Judith Maynard, on Feb. 11. Win's husband is now associated with the Federal Reserve Bank in Cleveland.

Annis Clark Hill and family have moved back to Middlebury, Conn. on North St. just two houses from her old home. Carl has a position with the Scoville Manufacturing Co. in Waterbury.

Our list of author-husbands has grown to three. Are there more to add? There are Robert R. R. Brooks and his labor relations; and George H. Coxe and his mysteries; and now comes Charles Edgar Cunningham, husband of Susan Chittenden, with his biography of Timothy Dwight—the first full length portrait of Yale's great president. The Boston Post said in part: "The fascinating story . . . is told . . . with admirable fidelity to truth and a genial friendly style that captivates the reader." It was published in February by Macmillan, with which company Ted now holds a position. Sue is enjoying the gay moments of an author's wife in New York City. Their new address is 130 West 12th St.

A fine letter has come from Betty Cade Simons, who now owns a home at 20 Kingston Ave., Bryn Mawr, Yonkers, N. Y. She says, "My two boys, Wally and Jack, keep things very active around here and get more interesting each year. I keep busy with being a Pack Mother (Cub Scouts) and teaching First Aid. For the past two years I have been making an intensive study of the American Indian, studying especially the Indians of the East.

"I see Florence Thornton quite often. She is secretary to the Editor of *Vogue*, and she certainly is up on all the latest goings on in New York. Last fall Natalie Benson Manley and her husband dropped in to see me, and she certainly looked well and happy. Meg Addis Wooding and Ed and their little Bennie dropped in one day last summer."

1928

BETTY GORDON VAN LAW, *Correspondent*, 3 Glen Rd., Larchmont, N. Y.

DEBORAH LIPPINCOTT CURRIER, *Correspondent*, Las Barrancas, Oracle Star Route, Tucson, Ariz.

The most important item for this column is that we are having a reunion this year—June 13 and 14. Ruth Shultis Wurth, chairman, says to tell everyone not to worry about spending money on costumes and such, as everyday clothes will be in order. We hope to have as successful a reunion as our last one.

A letter from Adelaide King Quebman says: "We were suddenly transferred back to New England and have taken up our abode in Attleboro, where John works for the Attleboro Refining Co." Kinky has two children: Carol, who must be about nine years old, and Jack, nine months.

New Addresses: Adelaide King Quebman (Mrs. John), 174 County St., Attleboro, Mass. Helen Williams MacDonald (Mrs. Norman), 2316 Lake Place, Minneapolis, Minn.

A note from Egie MacDonald says, "I am no longer selling bonds, but am still at Sloane's part time. I just heard from Say Say; they are going to Hanover, N. H. soon, where George will be technical director of the Dartmouth Players. Ruth Shultis Wurth, Dot Bayley, and I met and started reunion plans which Ruth is carrying out nobly."

On my way to Boston two weeks ago, whom should I (Betty) meet on the train but Tauchy Perry ex'38 who was on her way to Stowe, Vt. She and her husband have bought an old farm there and are enjoying the life very much.

Edna Somers is going to speak to our Westchester group at the next meeting on "Fashion and the War." She is still Director of the Fashion Center in Jordan Marsh Co. in Boston.

Let's all make an effort to come to reunion.

1929

ELEANOR NEWMILLER SIDMAN, *Correspondent*, 11 Victor Ave., Glen Ridge, N. J.

I certainly did have good intentions when I took this news job. I was going to

write each of you a letter, but I never seem to get any farther than penny postals. Most of you have been swell about replying, and I wish you would all send in some news in the very near future. By the way, does anyone want to take over my job, because I don't want to be greedy about the honor? I have the New Jersey Alumnae Chapter under my guidance for another year and that keeps me busy. Any criticisms or suggestions? Let's hear them.

Helen Stevenson White writes that her son David, aged 8, was very sick for eight weeks but is fine now. She is busy with First Aid but has no desire to take the Home Nursing, as she says, "I'm thoroughly sick of it, as I've been doing nothing else all winter."

Betty Williams Moody's home at Warwick Neck, R. I., is very lovely. The Moodys have three acres of gardens and a beautiful view of Narragansett Bay. Betty stopped off in Seattle enroute home from California last summer and saw Ginny Shank Anderson and her charming sons. Gin's husband, Steve, was very ill about a year ago, but we hope he is well by now. In Chicago Betty saw Pat Early Gurney. Both Pat and Ginny have remodeled houses and have achieved enviable results. Betty reports that: Fran Hall Staples has her fourth child, a girl! Nice going, Fran. Betty is busy with First Aid, U.S.O., and Girl Scouts. Her young son, Terry, is fine and thrives in the great open spaces of R.I. He attends the kindergarten of a nearby country day school. Any one passing by or near Warwick Neck will be most welcome.

Jean Hamlet Dudley is devoting her time to her home and her daughter, Lucinda Hastings Dudley, who was one year old on March 22. She hears from Roddy Holmes Smith once in a while. Roddy's two children are very attractive, says Jean. The Dudleys visited Jean's parents' home in Chevy Chase at Christmas and saw Frances Tillinghast Selko and her husband, who have just bought a farm. Chili Fahey Reilly was too busy to be found. Cynthia Lepper Reed stopped in to see Jean this fall. Cynthia and her husband and children have a lovely home with a hill for skiing and coasting and a lake for skating. Sounds like a dream! The "Dudley Doings" which Jean and her

husband print each Christmas is most interesting reading.

We are sorry to learn of the death in an accident of Anne Steinwedell Donnelly's eldest daughter, Myra, aged 12, and wish to express our deepest sympathy.

Mary Slayter Solenberger spent two weeks in the sunny (?) south at Christmas. She still lives in Mechanicsburg and reports that all are well.

1930

RUTH BROWN, *Correspondent*, 71 Church St., West Haven, Conn.

1930 is honored by having a Second Lieutenant in the Army, Louisa Kent. Good luck, Kentie!

Tommy Hartshorn sends greetings to you all. She is heading up a Physical Fitness program for the students known as C.C.M.D., "C.C.'s. modern design for living" or "C.C. doctors the situation." She is also an air raid warden, and mentioned that our honorary member, Miss Brett, is chief air raid warden for College. Tommy hopes that, in spite of the many demands for money, we shall be able to stretch the budget to include: 1. Class dues, 2. Alumnae Fund contributions, and 3. Dr. Leib Scholarship fund.

Tommy relayed a recent letter from Isabel Gilbert Greenwood (Mrs. Tom), whose address is: St. Peter's Vicarage, Hale, Altringham, Cheshire, Eng. She has two sons: David, 5, and Michael, 3. She was pleased to receive the *Alumnae News*, and I'm sure would appreciate letters from any '30ite.

Helen Benson Mann ("Benny") is up to her neck raising twin girls, Heidi and Wendy, born Oct. 21, 1941. She finds herself working harder than she ever thought possible, and quite unable to do any Red Cross work. Benny said that Kay Fuller Whitney has a second child, Bruce Barnard, born in January. She also has a little girl, Phyllis.

Helen "Flinner" Smith tells of her five year old daughter who considers herself quite grown up. Flinner is active in Y.W.C.A. work, advanced First Aid, and the U.S.O. groups. She and her husband bought a new home and moved into it on April 15. Her new address is 39 Harwich Road, Longmeadow, Mass. She had heard from Rudy Jackson Webb and from Fran

Gabriel Hartman. Rudy has two boys, and Fran two girls.

Betty Capron expected to go into the hospital April 12 to have an operation on her back. She will have a long siege with six weeks in a cast. She expects to be away from work for two months, but hopes that time will not drag too slowly, with good friends to help cheer her. We hope that the operation proves helpful.

Betty McCusker White wrote me the following news: 1. Eleanor Thayer Toney was in Honolulu with her son Albert when war started, but they later reached California safely. 2. Allison Durkee Tyler, her husband, and daughter, Joy, came to New York on a holiday before Christmas and had a fine visit with Betty. 3. Evelyn Clarke has transferred from Philadelphia to New York, where she works for the Y.W.C.A. 4. Adelaide Finch was in Miami for the winter because of the poor health of her father. 5. Betty met Bob White Keniston and Jim when they were in New York and had a gay evening. 6. Betty is busy with her two year old, the Y.W.C.A., and bandage rolling.

1931

ACHSAH ROBERTS FENNELL, *Correspondent*, 96 Sarles Lane, Pleasantville, N. Y.

A son, William Dwight II, was born to Jane King Buss on Feb. 22. Louise Buentzle is librarian in the Allentown, Pa. Junior High School. She tells of two freighter trips and a week on an old sailing schooner. On the way home from South Carolina, she and Betty Norton Neilson spent four days together. Bonnie Bahney Wylie reports that her three year old Betsy looks like sister Betty Bahney Mills. Bill, her husband, is an Annapolis graduate and a lieutenant. Bonnie travels as navy wives do; at the moment she is with her mother and keeps busy with Red Cross and Family Welfare Society work at Elizabeth, N. J. Doe Johnson Imes writes from Louisville, Ky. that she and her surgeon husband, Pat, are fond of travel. They spent several weeks in Miami this winter. Doe has planned Music Committee programs for the Younger Women's Club of Louisville this year. Katherine Dunlap Marsh lives in Oak Park, Ill., where her husband is salesman for the storage bat-

tery division of Thomas Edison, Inc. She has a two year old son, Walter Dunlap Marsh.

Bee Brooks Carpenter lives in Providence, R. I., where her husband is a lawyer. They have two boys: Brooks, three, and Gordon, one. Bee works hard for the Woonsocket Hospital Aid Association and was recently general chairman of their show which cleared over \$1500! She is also second vice president of the Woonsocket Day Nursery and Children's Home. Billie Brown Seyfried's husband, Ernée, was one of the doctors called when the tragic Lehigh Cement explosion happened. Midge Shea has been playing a role she hates this year, that of hospital patient. Hope you're fine by now, Midge. Toot Holley Spangler's professor husband, Ross, is training radio technicians for army and navy at night, besides teaching days. Marj Platz ex'31 is Mrs. Eugene Murphy of La Crosse, Wis. and has a six year old daughter. Esther Green is teaching English at the Norwalk High School. Thursa Barnum, who teaches at the Norwalk Junior High, has been ambitiously collecting a master's degree at N.Y.U. weekends and summers.

Dr. Lorna McGuire, our professor at Barnard of whom we all are proud, has another honor, we hear. The Barnard Year Book is being dedicated to her. C. B. Rice took the photo. Edna Martin was involved in the special Red Cross service at St. Thomas Church which was broadcast over WOR. She went to Raymond Massey's residence as her firm's perfect secretary and took down the speech you heard him deliver, among other duties connected with the broadcast. Dorothy Gould is directing physical education, teaching home defense, and is in charge of 65 girls in a dormitory—all at the Westtown School, Westtown, Pa. Catherine Lynch is working at the Girls' Club of San Antonio, Texas, a social welfare agency for the recreation and education of underprivileged girls, mostly Mexicans. She finds it very interesting and likes working with the Mexican people. N. Y. U. published my husband's views on the Reconstruction Court and Religious Freedom in the *Contemporary Law Pamphlets* series. We returned from Florida in time to shovel snow and start a garden.

Dot Birdsey Manning reports herself busy with her family and Red Cross work and courses. Dot also supplies news of several other classmates. Mockie Fitzmaurice Colloty writes that her daughter, Susan, who will be a year old in September, keeps her too busy for much letter writing; but she occasionally hears from Caz, whose daughter is also not quite a year old. Punch Bishop, Mrs. Howard N. Arnold of 238 Derby St., West Newton, Mass. keeps busy with Red Cross work and caring for her kindergarten son, David. Jane Seaver Jameson has a part time job as librarian and has two children, Lloyd and Ann. She sees Ev Whitemore Woods at meetings of Artists and Writers of Connecticut, to which they both belong. Jane recently had a poem published in their journal, *Leaves of Laurel*. Peg Osborn is working in the New Haven Health Department.

Ginnie Hinman Allen visited in Hartford with Bethel Dean Limmerman, who was East in February. Bethel has a daughter. Bobbie Pollard has been president of the Willimantic College Club this past year. Lucille Abel is chief observer of the Lebanon, Conn. observation post. Imogene Manning is assistant professor in the Home Ec Department at the University of Tennessee. She has taken trips to the Great Smokies to see back country handicraft. Isabel Colby is taking singing lessons from Miss Leslie at C.C., and is still teaching at W. M. I. in New London. Betty May Williams' husband, Dick, has a sheep and poultry farm in Glastonbury. Their daughter, Marian Alice, is two and a half. Marj Taylor spent a weekend with them recently. Edith Schneider MacGlahan has bought a new home in Hartford at 31 Euclid. Jane Buss and family went to New Orleans to attend her brother Fred's wedding.

Jo Lincoln Morris has been very active as president of the Junior Guild at Fairmount Church, Cleveland. Fanny Young Sawyer '30, Harriet Hickok Hardy ex'31, and Iz Rieley Armington are active members. *Life* and *Time* magazines for the first week of April had articles about the new church windows. Jo's father is credited with securing the steel for the building, and all the C.C.ers can well be proud of C.C.ers working on this project. Jo is

also on the finance committee of the Y.W.C.A. Jane Williams Howell visited in Pittsburgh with Lois Truesdale and some of the former Knowlton gang. Thalia Fuller Duncan ex'31 and children—Jack, 7, Teedie, 9, and Fuller, 2—have been neighbors of Izzie Rieley. Now that Thalia's husband is in the service, they have rented their home and will live with Thalia's mother for the duration. Harriet Hickok Hardy ex'31 had the April C.C. meeting for the Cleveland chapter at her home. Harriet is chairman for the Mother-Daughter party at Fairmount Church.

1932

ISABELLE BARTLETT HOGUE, *Correspondent*, 113 Vesper St., Akron, O.

Good news arrived from Honolulu—Marion Kendrick Daggett and Jean Stimson Wilcox are safe and well. Ricky's second child, a son, Bruce Kendrick, arrived March 11.

Jimmie Wyeth Jones has moved to 2 North Drive, Bethesda, Md. She says she's "involved" in production work for the Red Cross, has taken First Aid, and is doing work with the Brownie Scouts.

Ruthie Seanor Hubbell has completed First Aid and Nurses Aid courses, and now is studying Motor Mechanics.

Gerrie Butler writes that she works four hours every other day at the Army Information Center—"the most worthwhile and interesting thing I've ever done."

Nat Clunet Fitzgerald and young Jerry, aged four, visited me a few weeks ago. Her new address is 924 Oakwood Ave., Dayton, O.—a lovely new home into which she and Fitz moved last June.

Drusilla Fielding wrote Mabel Barnes Knauff telling of her new job as secretary to a vice president in the Hartford National Bank and Trust Co. Mabel also wrote that she has "found" Debby Roud. She is married to Dr. Cutler, an army doctor.

Kay Shultis Dubay has added Stephen Newton to the roster of the Dubay family. Peter is five and John Porter, two years old.

Everyone reports being active in various phases of defense work. How about the defense of our Alumnae Association? Contribute to the Alumnae fund today!

1933

JERRY WERTHEIMER, *Correspondent*, 6143 Kingsbury Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.

Helen Peasley Comber has a son, James Bunnell, born on March 9. This is good news, but there isn't enough of it. Collecting scrap metal for Civilian Defense was a snap compared with collecting C.C. news. So once more I plead, jot down your news on a postal and send it on to me today! And while you're in the giving frame of mind, don't forget your Alumnae Fund contribution!

1934

ANNE SHEWELL, *Correspondent*, 230 Canton Ave., Milton, Mass.

The Class extends sympathy to Mrs. Lawrence and family. Dr. Lawrence, who died in January, was an honorary member of our class.

Thanks to all who returned cards, there is a good bit of news.

Births: A daughter, Elizabeth Helen, on April 3 to Helen Andrews Keough. A second son, another redhead, David Lord, on February 3, to Eleanor Hine Krantz. A daughter, Ruth Marguerite, to Barbara Johnson Stearns on Feb. 25. The Stearns have moved to 21316 Lake Rd., Rocky River, Cleveland. A daughter, Jane Edna, to Edna Kent Nerney on March 5. A son, John Merrill, to Dorothy Merrill Dorman on Feb. 7. A son, Adin Miller, to Alice Miller Tooker on April 2. A son, David Charles, to Marjorie Young Siegfried on Feb. 15.

Marjorie Bishop has a new job supervising art in the East Hartford elementary schools. Address: 117 Washington St., Hartford, Conn. Ernie Herman Katz expects to move into a new house (more or less finished) by May. The address is 7308 N. Albany Ave., Chicago, Ill. Her husband is now in the Navy. Ruth Jones Wentworth is moving to 714 New St., Champaign, Ill. in the fall. Lydia Riley Davis's address is now Academy Lane, Hingham, Mass. She writes that Esther Martin Johnson '35 lives in Hingham, too and is substituting at Derby Academy (where Lyd's husband is headmaster) in Phys. Ed. Dorothy Smith Denby has moved to 3 Ronald Rd., Barrington, R.I. Betsey Turner Gilfillan has "finally settled" at 121 N. Norwinden Rd., Spring-

field, Pa. Millie Waghorn Cass has a new house at 229 17th St., Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Lillian Bacon Hearne is teaching a Red Cross Nutrition course. Anna Fowler McMahon writes that she has two boys, Roger Fowler and John J., aged three and two. Her address is 8317 34th Ave., Jackson Heights, N. Y. Harriet Isherwood Power is moving to Cambridge, Mass., where her husband will teach electrical engineering to officers. Liz Moon Woodhead and children have been having a siege of mumps but are now recovered. Marjorie Prentis Hirshfield writes that she has a daughter, Katherine, born in Aug., 1936 and a son, James, Jr., born in Jan., 1939. They live at 666 Irving Ave., Astoria, Ore. Frances Rooke Robinson and husband, who live in Plainfield, N. J., are raising white leghorn chickens as a hobby. Jane Trace Spragg is Treasurer of the Queen's Branch of the American Association of University Women. Indirectly I hear that Frances Way is now Mrs. Weir and that last October she had a second son, Leverett. She lives in East Glastonbury, Conn. Rose Piscatella Insinga, whose mother died recently, is keeping house for her father, two brothers, and her husband. Betty Waterman Hunter is busy with First Aid and Canteen Service work in Saratoga, Calif. Edith Richman, besides extra work for the Foster Home Bureau in New York, is also a junior post warden. Your correspondent is teaching classes in Home Nursing for the Red Cross.

Toots Rush Roberts wants to know if the Class would like to get up another News Letter. All those who took part in the first one know what a success it was. All in favor drop a postal to Mrs. William H. Roberts, 314 W. Summit Ave., Elmhurst, Wilmington, Del.

Will those who have not given to the Alumnae Fund this year please send donations to Mrs. Shirley Spragg, 149-41 Hawthorne Ave., Flushing, N. Y.?

1935

M. T. WATSON O'NEILL, *Correspondent*, Casa Blanca Bldg., Apt. 3-A, 2 Refugio St., Santurce, Puerto Rico.

Marriages: Jill Albree was married April 11 to Samuel Bradford Child, Dartmouth. They will live in Meriden, Conn.

Betty Merrill was her attendant. Word comes to us that Ruthie Lambert was married Jan. 24 in Chicago to G. Bromzerg. Frances Rush to B. T. Caldwell on April 15 in Pasadena, Calif.

There certainly are a raft of new arrivals in our class both this time and next from all reports. We'll have some C.C. alumnae around 1963, I'm sure.

Births: To Bobbie Rohrmayer Otis, a son on March 18. The Otis' have remodeled an old house and have just moved in —43 N. Main St., West Hartford, Conn. To Janey Barton Shurts, a daughter, Susan Barton, on Mar. 15. This is their second little girl. The other, Mary Elizabeth, was born on Feb. 14, 1938, which fact, I believe, has not been reported. To Peggy Baylis Trones a son, Stephen Baylis, on Jan. 20. At five weeks, young Stephen had a major operation but is now recovering rapidly. Peg manages to keep busy with her two children, First Aid, and knitting for Red Cross. To Petey Boomer Karr a son, James Neal, on March 10. Neal's job has undergone a great change. The first of this year he was transferred to the Singer's plant in St. Johns, Quebec. By the middle of May the Karrs expect to be settled in their new home, which will be on Richlieu St., St. Johns, Quebec.

Addresses: Hugs Hughes Wasley and her husband have bought a new colonial home at 12 Ridgeway Circle in White Plains, N. Y. Hugs hopes to do a little gardening along with everything else. Adelaide Rochester Smith is now living at 175 Kelbourne Ave., North Tarrytown, N. Y. Martha Prendergast, 4311 Spruce St., Philadelphia.

My own time is spent with Red Cross work, swimming, tennis, etc. Right now I look more Puerto Rican than Continental because of the tanning qualities of the sun here, which shines at least part, if not all, of every day. My Spanish is improving with every day but is still a dead giveaway that I'm a Continental. Would I had studied it harder at C.C.!

Bobby Hervey and Ham Harburger Stern represented '35 at the recent alumnae conference at College.

Only 22 members of our class have so far contributed to the Dr. Leib Memorial Fund. Will the others please send in their checks?

1936

PATRICIA HALL STATON, *Correspondent*,
4 E. 9th St., NYC.

The grapevine tells of Karen Rigney's engagement to one Bill Newton—no details.

Marriage: Ruth Peskoff to Dr. H. W. Glass on March 8. Dr. Glass is stationed at Fort Slocum, N. M., with the public health service.

Births: To Marge Harris McLean a daughter, Susan Leslie, on Dec. 9, 1941. To Mary Griffin Conklin a son, Steven Briggs, on Feb. 10.

Gertrude Mehling Partington and her doctor husband, Phil, are back in Cleveland with their two children, Michael and Ann.

Gertrude Weyhe Denis had a package from Bunny Dorman Webster postmarked Columbus, O. Have you moved again, Bunny?

Elsie Neischlag Treubner, her husband Louis, and their two children have just moved into a new house on Westover Road in Stamford, Conn.

Please pay your class dues and please, please write to your correspondent. She is desperate!

1937

LUCY BARRERA, *Correspondent*, 54 School St., Manchester, Conn.

I had a very pleasant visit from Bud and Mary Dolan Sterns on Easter and had my first glimpse of little Molly, now almost two, and the most adorable and lively little miss. Bud and Mary are now living at 263 Graphic Blvd., River Edge, N. J. Mary brought news of another youngster, Dan, son of Daniel and Elsie Morton McMahon, who is now a strapping young man of one year. The McMahons have a new home at 45 Garden Drive, Lynbrook, L. I.

Kay Kirchner Grubb was one of the representatives of the Poughkeepsie Junior League at the Junior League Conference in Kansas City the week of April 27. Kay is Placement Chairman of the local league for '42-'43. Bud and Kay have bought a house on Spackenkill Rd., Poughkeepsie.

Martha Storek has just been named one of three graduate students at Bryn Mawr to receive travelling fellowships for next

year. As travel is not feasible under war conditions, Martha will continue her studies for the doctorate at Bryn Mawr, where she has been for the past two years.

Your correspondent has been so occupied this winter with air raid warden and first aid courses in addition to everything else that she has been rather lax in gathering news. Won't you cooperate by writing without getting a reminder? Let's make this column grow for the next issue.

1938

MARCELLA BROWN, *Correspondent*, 3095 Lincoln Blvd., Cleveland Heights, O.

First some news we can be proud of as a class! Poufie Earle Britton writes that our three year Class Fund which we pledged at graduation has been closed and that she has turned \$654 over to the College. Miss Blunt informs us that this money was spent for lights in the new library wings. I think it is especially interesting that, although we were paying toward this gift fund, we ranked first in the Alumnae Fund in amount of money given and eighth in percent contributors. Bouquets to '38! Thanks to you, Pouf, for your tireless efforts in collecting the college fund. To Katie Boutwell Hood, thanks for keeping our standing in the Alumnae Fund so high.

Nat Bailliere Eddy had some interesting experiences in Java, where her husband was an aviation instructor for the Dutch Navy before they returned in February. A letter from Connie Leavitt Scott's aunt gives good news. "Connie has one son about a year old—John, Jr. She was in Honolulu on December 7 and watched everything from her house overlooking Pearl Harbor. At last account she was fine and expecting to remain in Honolulu."

I had lunch in New York at Christmas time with Kay Walbridge. She was looking well and working hard for the Red Cross. She writes that she and Bobbie Lawrence have lunch together occasionally. A card from Elsie Schwenk Fullerton, telling of her son, said that Marie and Fred were in Pensacola, Fla. last winter. Elsie's address is 311 W. 26th St., Wilmington, Del.

We are increasing our "Cradle Roll" rapidly, and the boys and girls are a tie

this time! To Elsie Schwenk Fullerton, Allen Walter, March 18, 1941. To Jane Kellogg Stanley ex'38, Deborah Lee, last fall. To Polly Mitchell Blake ex'38, Laurie Gail in September. To Virginia Wilson Hart, Charles Wilson on Nov. 4. To Ruth Hollingshead Clarke, Leslie Pell on March 11. To Marjorie Mintz Dietz, Jane Elizabeth on March 27. To Katie Boutwell Hood, Stephen Boutwell on March 23. To Harriet Beaton Loring ex'38, a son in July.

Our weddings: Jeanette Dawless to Douglas M. Kinney on March 21. Barbara Case to John H. Franklin on March 28 in Cleveland. Leonora Walser to Barton Jones on December 6 in California. Lee is living in Hazelton, Pa. now. Ellen Curtis to Leonard Hollis, Jr. on March 28 at Hartford. Bunny Hurlbut is Mrs. White now and living in Mt. Sterling, Ky.

Carmen Palmer returned to C.C. recently to talk to the Home Ec. Club on the possibilities of home economics in the business field.

1939

ELDREDA LOWE, *Correspondent*, 1156 W. Exchange St., Akron, O.

Engagements: Jane deOlloqui to Ruth-erford Harris of Pittsburgh on March 7. Madelaine King to Chester A. Congdon, Jr. of Duluth, Minn. Janet Evans to Willard Miner of Madison, Conn. Louise Carroll to Albert G. Moore of New York City and Kansas City, Mo.

Marriages: Virginia Walton to Capt. James Magee, Jr. of the U.S. Marine Corps on April 25. Betty Brett Galloway was an attendant. Their address will be 151 2nd St., Warrington, Fla. Carol Prince to Lewis F. Allen on Feb. 28, with Mary Winton as one of the attendants. Address: 45 N. Fullerton Ave., Montclair, N. J.

Birth: A daughter, Linda Wilson, was born to Ruth and Tom Cass on March 13—a lucky Friday the 13th!

Butt Patton writes that she is "an Ad Analyst and, as the boss says, general wet nurse for the Copy Department of the McCann-Erickson Inc."; that Rachael Homer has a job in Washington; and that she hopes everyone has contributed to the Dr. Leib Memorial Fund!

Catherine Ake and I are pretty busy doing volunteer work and are members of the Red Cross Motor Corps.

Please send news of yourself and others by June first!

1940

MARY E. GIESE, *Correspondence*, 34 Liv-ermore Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Weddings are still the main social event in the class. The winter brought many others into the expanding list, which has just about reached the halfway mark of the class. On March 7 Eleanor Timms became Mrs. Henry R. B. Irish out in California, and the following week Mary Fisher was married to Randall McWilliams. In November (you can see how we are just catching up with things) Helen Rudd was married to J. Bernard Doriss with Lib Thompson as one of her bridesmaids. Hainey Bosworth and Beryl Sprouse also were married this winter—Hainey to Richard Shepard, now living at 1648 S. Elizabeth St., Denver, and Beryl to Alexander Cochran, Jr., 2633 Palm St., Houston, Texas.

Peggy Budd has just announced her engagement, as have Doris Hart and Nat Klivans. Naomi Ramsey ex'40 is engaged to Thomas B. Lewars, Jr. of Burlington, Iowa; Pat Alvord to William C. French, Jr. of Winsted, Conn., and Laura Sheerin also is to be married, to Richard Gaus.

Ollie McIlwain Kerr has just been in Boston for Easter and reports that Tony Holcomb Dewey has a new son. Franny Rockwell Kinney, also ex'40, and her husband have adopted a little girl, Karen Ann. Mrs. John Umpleby (Darby Wilson) is living at 414 Osage, Manhattan, Kansas. She received her M.A. at Columbia at the end of the summer. Katy Partridge is teaching secretarial work and math at Rogers Hall School in Lowell, Mass. Dottie Gieg is a receptionist for an oil company in Philadelphia. Betsy Pfeiffer has a very impressive title as assistant to the director of Social Service at the Memorial Hospital, Worcester, Mass. In Washington are Betty Anderson Lerchen and her husband, also Alice Mendenhall, who has a grand job with a scientific monthly. Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sether (Hallie Fairbank) have returned to the East for his government job after living in

California; and Hallie, Minxie, Bernard, and Breck Benbow (now a secretary in a day nursery) seem to have a wonderful chance for a get-together. Minxie, by the way, says she is up to her ears in all sorts of civilian defense and Red Cross work. Both Minxie and Ollie Kerr are air raid wardens in their respective localities.

From Hartford comes word that Ginger Clark is an ace insurance girl. Bumpy Deans reports that she has left the insurance city to do insurance company trouble-shooting in New York.

1941

ALIDA REINHARDT, *Correspondent*, 48
Stuyvesant Ave., Larchmont, N. Y.

Engagements: Ann Breyer to Ian Ritson, U.S.N.R., and Mary Jane Reft to Ensign John J. Miles, Jr., U.S.N.R.

Marriages: Ethel Prescott to Ensign Frederick Tucker at Key West, Fla. on Dec. 21. Jane Rogers to Tyler Dennett on Feb. 14. Elizabeth Butler to Omer J. Cordelli on Jan. 3. Mary "Hoffie" Hoffman was maid of honor. Address: Saxon Gardens, Mamaroneck Rd., White Plains, N. Y. Thea Dutcher to James Sage Coburn on Feb. 15. Address: 190 S. Marshall St., Hartford, Conn. Anita Kenna to Edward J. Doonan on Feb. 16. They are living in New York City. Mary Hoffman was married to New Russell on March 7 with E. Butler Cordelli as matron of honor. Phyl Grove was married to Sidney B. Clocum on March 7, as was Mary Reisinger to Albert Edward Oelschlaeger, Jr. Quite a day! Phyl is living in Milwaukee. Rise had Janet Fletcher and Dodie Wilde as two of her attendants. She is living at 155 East 72nd St., N.Y.C. Barbara Hickey was married on Easter Sunday to Dale Metzler. Most of her group including Freddie Tilden, Fletch, and Kay Ord managed to get to Boston for the ceremony. She is now living at the Kemper Lane Hotel, Cincinnati, O. Carla Eakin ex'41 was married to Richard L. White, Jr. on April 9. Dorothy Gardner was married to Benjamin Downs and is living at Pascagoula, according to Thea Dutcher Coburn. Marilyn Klein was married recently to Tracy D. Pratt of Stratford, Conn.

Birth: The class of 1941 extends hearty congratulations to Phil and Ginny New-

berry Leech. The class baby, Robin, was born Monday, March 16.

The rest of the news has just been dribbling in. I wish you'd all make a resolution to try to write me at least once every three months. While her husband was at the Merchant Marine School, Mary Walsh Yates was in New York City for a while living with Margaret Kingston. I spent a week-end with Lee Barry, who has a grand job with the Liberty Mutual Life Insurance Company in Newark. She spent three hilarious weeks in Boston being trained, and while there she visited May Monte McLaughlin. Marianne Upson is still studying music and devotes her spare time to being chairman of the Newark (Ohio) Motor Corps. Kitty Bard is studying shorthand and typing in Santa Barbara, and hopes to get a job in one of the big aircraft plants. Ethel Moore wants you all to know that she advanced the date of her wedding "a whole day" just so her friends could come to the wedding and reunion too. So—DON'T FORGET RE-UNION, June 13 and 14. Plan to come.

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