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Letter to Alumnae

A letter written by Emily Warner Caddock, president of the Alumnae Association, was sent to all alumnae in September. We are reprinting the letter below because it contains biographical data on Miss Schaffter which some alumnae may have missed, and because we want to repeat on behalf of the entire Alumnae Association our greetings and good wishes to Miss Schaffter:

Dear Alumnae:

Many of you have seen the press announcement concerning the appointment in August of Miss Dorothy Schaffter as president of Connecticut College. We wish to be sure, however, that all members of the Association are informed of this important happening, hence this note.

Miss Schaffter leaves an associate professorship in political science at Vassar where she has been a member of the faculty since 1930. She was born in 1894, is a native of Iowa, received her A.B., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Iowa, has taught in grade and high schools, and at the University of Iowa. She also has studied music at Northwestern University. Her research work in political science, especially in the field of housing, is widely known, and she has numerous publications to her credit.

As an Association we shall give Miss Schaffter our faithful support and allegiance; as individuals we shall welcome her as a new and distinguished friend. We look forward to her administration with great interest, and with the hope that she will carry along and broaden the policies so ably developed by her predecessors.

Our very best wishes to Miss Schaffter and hearty congratulations to the Board of Trustees on their fine appointment.

Sincerely yours,

EMILY WARNER CADDOCK, *President.*

Omission

The name of Gertrude Noyes '25, author of the article, "In Memoriam, Dr. John Edwin Wells," which appeared in the Summer issue of the Alumnae News, was unintentionally omitted from the article.

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President Dorothy Schaffter

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Fourth President Inaugurated Miss Schaffter Takes Office

WITH ALL the ceremony and dignity proper to so auspicious an occasion on Thursday, October 28, 1943, Miss Dorothy Schaffter was inaugurated the fourth president of Connecticut College. Outside the skies were gray and rain fell intermittently, but inside the academic pageant, expressive of man's ancient and persistent veneration for learning, proceeded to its successful conclusion. On the stage a string quartet, directed and accompanied on the piano by Mr. Quimby of the music department, played the processional music, *Chester* (1778) by William Billings, and *Federal March* (1788) by Alexander Reinagle. Students, friends of the college, and the few alumnae who could be present stood as the procession marched down the aisle and trustees, delegates from other colleges, and members of the faculty took their places on the stage and in the front rows of the auditorium.

With the exception of President Charles Seymour of Yale, who gave an address, and President J. Edgar Park of Wheaton, who delivered the invocation, the college delegates marched in the order of the founding of their colleges. The order was:

Professor Arthur Adams, Trinity; President Victor Butterfield, Wesleyan; Sister M. Rosa, St. Josephs; President Robbins Barstow, Hartford Seminary Foundation; President Roswell G. Ham, Mount Holyoke; Mr. Arlo Wilson, State University of Iowa; President Henry N. MacCracken, Vassar; President Herbert J. Davis, Smith; Dean Bernice B. Cronkhite, Radcliffe; Dean

Roy Brammell, University of Connecticut; Dean Margaret S. Morriss, Pembroke; President Bancroft Beasley, Simmons; and Sister M. Uriel, Albertus Magnus. Also in the procession were the Honorable Raymond Baldwin, governor of Connecticut; Rear Admiral James Pine of the United States Coast Guard Academy, and Captain Edwin E. Cutts of the Submarine Base.

Trustees, also in academic attire, were Mr. William H. Putnam, chairman, Miss Mary Bulkley, Hartford; Mrs. James Morrisson, Judge Christopher Avery, Groton; the Hon. Wilbur L. Cross, Miss Marion P. Whitney, New Haven; Mr. Valentine Chappell, Mr. Lewis B. Doane, Mr. Earle Stamm, New London; Miss Louise Howe, Norwich; Mrs. Frances Scudder Williams, Glastonbury; Miss Katharine Ludington, Old Lyme; Mrs. Parker McCollester, New York; Miss Esther Batchelder '19, Mr. Bernhard Knollenberg, Washington; Alumnae Trustees, Mrs. Burton L. How (Janet Crawford '24), Hartford, and Miss Charlotte Keefe '19, New York.

Of special interest to alumnae among those in the academic procession were Governor Baldwin, husband of Edith Lindholm Baldwin '20; the venerable ex-Governor Wilbur L. Cross, a trustee of the college since its beginning; and Mr. Butterfield, the new president of Wesleyan, whose inauguration had taken place the week before Miss Schaffter's.

After the singing of the national anthem and the pronouncing of the invocation President Seymour of Yale

spoke. Parts of his address are printed on page 14. A metrical version of the First Psalm was then sung. The words were taken from the first edition of the Bay State Psalm Book which was printed at Cambridge in 1640 on a printing press brought from England. This book was the first English book printed in America. The melody was taken from the Bay Psalm Book of 1698. Both editions were composite works done by a number of Puritan clergymen. The motto of the college, "*Tanquam lignum quod plantatum est secus decursus aquarum*," is taken from Psalm I. The metrical version follows:

O blessed man, that in th' advice
of wicked doeth not walk;
nor stand in sinners way, not sit
in chayre of scornfull folk.

But in the law of Iehovah,
is his longing delight
and in his law doth meditate,
by day and eke by night.

And he shall be like to a tree
planted by water-rivers:
that in his season yields his fruit,
and his leafe never withers.

And all he doth, shall prosper well,
the wicked are not so:
but they are like unto the chaffe,
which winde drives to and fro.

Therefore shall not ungodly men,
rise to stand in the doome,
nor shall the sinners with the just,
in their assemble come.

For of the righteous men, the Lord
acknowledgeth the way:
but the way of ungodly men,
shall utterly decay.

Mr. William H. Putnam, chair-



PRESIDENT EMERITUS BLUNT

man of the Board of Trustees, inducted Miss Schaffter as president. Miss Schaffter responded:

"Mr. Chairman, I accept from you the authority and responsibility inherent in the office of the president of Connecticut College for Women. In this acceptance is implied my full appreciation of the high honor bestowed upon me, and of the serious nature of the duties which I assume. With the help and support of trustees, faculty and staff, graduates, and students it shall be my constant endeavor to further the interests of the college and to uphold her honor. I accept the symbols of my office as visible evidence of my pledge."

President Schaffter's inaugural address which followed is printed in full on page five.

After the song beginning, "O God, our help in ages past," was sung Miss Blunt was presented to Miss Schaffter by Dean Irene Nye, who had come from her home in Kansas to attend the inauguration. Dean Nye said:

"Madam President: It is both an honor and a pleasure to present to you for the degree of

Doctor of Laws, Katharine Blunt. Of New England ancestry, though born in Philadelphia, she has lived as a citizen at various times in several middle western and eastern states, and has been a traveler in who knows what far countries besides. A graduate of Vassar College, a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Chicago, at one time a teacher at Vassar, later a professor and Division Chairman for years at Chicago; an able chemist, an authority and government expert on nutrition; for fourteen years successful president of Connecticut College; member of the Connecticut State Board of Education, and of the Ocean Beach Park Board. The achievements of my candidate have often been rehearsed for she is already doubly dyed in what it takes to become an LL. D. The thousands of the alumnae and students of this college applaud her, the citizens of New London respect and honor her, our trustees here assembled aver that fourteen times she has held the reins on a large budget with steady hand, has swung it safely round dangerous curves, and each time has come down the track triumphant on Commence-

ment Day. Furthermore we doubt not that in the distant future when a succession of newcomers shall have taken the places of all now present, as long as the enduring stones of the gray walls on this hill stand firm and are not dissolved, so long will the name of Katharine Blunt be known and honored as Connecticut's great builder."

In conferring the degree of Doctor of Laws upon Miss Blunt Miss Schaffter said:

"Katharine Blunt, my deeply honored predecessor in office. As the first act in my official capacity as president of the college which you love so well, it gives me the greatest pleasure to bestow upon you the highest honorary degree which Connecticut College is empowered to confer. This is indeed slight recognition for your gifts to the college. You have been called a great administrator and an outstanding educator. Vassar College and the University of Chicago claim with pride that you are their alumna. Mount Holyoke College and Wesleyan University have been proud to grant you honorary degrees. But these honors, fine as

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Seated: William H. Putnam, chairman board of trustees; Miss Schaffter, Miss Blunt, Dean Nye
Standing: Rear Admiral James Pine, Capt. Edwin F. Cutts, Governor Baldwin

Inaugural Address

by Dorothy Schaffter

I HAVE JUST taken a most serious pledge and as a result of this action I have assumed a new responsibility which differs entirely from the responsibilities to which I have become accustomed. Although I know that one must never preface a speech with apologies, I cannot resist my impulse to ask your understanding of my situation this afternoon. For some twenty years before August, 1943, I thought of myself as a college teacher of political science. During the past three months I have been attempting as rapidly as possible to recast myself in the role of a college president, but such a change cannot be accomplished in so short a time. It must be as apparent to others as it is to me that I speak my new lines haltingly and manage the stage business with hesitation. Possibly it is a mistake to ask such a very new college president to say anything at all. But I am going to take the risk, justifying myself on the grounds that I really want to tell you something of my conception of my new work, and that I hope my statement will induce many of you, in turn, to give me the benefit of your advice and criticism.

A Period of Crisis

I shall spend little time in repeating to you several basic facts which have been stated and restated so frequently since December, 1941. For the record, I realize completely that the coming years are a period of crisis in education and I know that it is impossible to foresee even very general tendencies. In view of these conceded facts, it would be highly desirable to wait until the situation is clarified and then to devise plans, but such a course is obviously unwise. We shall all have to estimate and imagine, and hope that we shall not be too far from reality. The possibilities of error are considerable but the risk must be taken. With this realization in mind, I am trying to develop some plans which might conceivably be adapted

to the conditions under which we shall be working during the coming years. As you will see, such plans as I have are very general and I do not want to confuse you or myself by any attempt to make them more specific at this time. If we can think only of *what* we want to do and leave the means of accomplishment for later consideration, it will be a more valuable course of action at the present.

Position of the College

In long range planning for the future of Connecticut College, my first step must be to acquaint myself thoroughly with its present position. I am beginning to understand this, I think. One phrase which is repeated very frequently in the conversation of people who are trying to explain the college to me is "a liberal arts college with a vocational slant." Some people who use the phrase mean one thing by it—others mean something quite different—and I myself am beginning to develop my own interpretation. In fact, my interpretation of what actually is happening at Connecticut College leads me to believe that the college has gone considerably beyond the stage at which it could be accurately described in these particular terms. Most of the people who have been trying to help me to understand the college have used the expression, to be sure, but in my opinion what they have described has been something quite different. I wish that I were a brilliant phrase maker, because I should like to sum up in a half dozen words the nature of Connecticut College at the present time, as it appears to me.

My reason for wanting to spend time this afternoon in clarifying this description of the college is that, after a month at the college, I believe we are on the right track at the present time. If this is true and if we can hold steadily to the present policy of the college, we shall be able to adapt ourselves successfully to the difficult

post war conditions in which we shall be operating, perhaps sooner than we think. I am not deeply impressed by the gloomiest of our prophets who declare that the American college is a failure, and that we must be reformed completely if our existence is to continue. I am very far from believing that the great women's colleges are "failures," although I concede our defects and recognize that we must be prepared to make necessary changes, perhaps on rather short notice, in the immediate future.

The Academic Controversy

May I return to this conception of Connecticut College as a "liberal arts college with a vocational slant" and tell you why I think we must change our phrase to bring it in line with existing facts. Strictly speaking, if we say that we have a "liberal arts" college with a "vocational" slant we are saying that we are trying to combine one type of education with a different type. This combination may seem good to some people, and highly undesirable to others. I think we all used to believe in the difference between "liberal arts" and "vocational" education. Generally speaking, the former was intentionally and consciously non-vocational, and many people went so far as to believe that any education which could be used directly as a means of livelihood was not "liberal arts" education at all. Gradually this extreme position was modified and if the graduate of a liberal arts college later became the teacher of a liberal arts subject, the status of that subject was not changed. But it continued to be extremely annoying to the advocate of a pure liberal arts education to catch students who were taking courses (and after a while who were actually trying to break up neatly devised series of courses and correlatives and prerequisites and majors!) because they wanted to use them for purely vocational purposes after graduation.

The liberal arts college lost this fight, you know. It was not lost all at once, and mopping up operations are still being carried out in many sectors. Not all these sectors are remote and backward and unimportant, but the battle is lost nevertheless. The course of the struggle is familiar to most of the college administrators and teachers in this audience. At first, we merely overlooked the fact that students were developing their own majors provided that they made their courses look respectable and conventional. Then we let them take "extra curricular courses"—off campus and at their own expense and with no college credit—or we advised them to get these courses at some other school, in the summer, so that we would not be adversely criticized or lose our liberal arts status. Presently the courses were given on campus, if a special fee was paid. The next step was to give credit. Finally, they became regular courses exactly like English and mathematics and physics and Latin. In some cases, the students actually had to organize special groups to get what they wanted. In one university the administration spent a great deal of money on outside lecturers, but visiting novelists and explorers made up most of the program. Students wanted to hear some contemporary economists and sociologists and they organized a club, paid dues, and heard the people they wanted to hear.

Then an even more dangerous tendency appeared! Not only did liberal arts students persist in their attempts to get usable educations, but they began to want to get help right in college about the *means* of using these educations. They would not consider the years in college as a time in which to *prepare* for living—their original goal—but they wanted to live even while they were in college. Actually, this was not an entirely revolutionary idea. Students who planned to be writers were writing, even in some cases for publication, and the physics and chemistry and biology and botany majors were *doing* something in laboratories, and the modern language majors were speaking the language (perhaps only one night a week at the so-called language table.!)

But the social science students

caused the most disturbance and difficulty. The government majors wanted to work with political parties and send advice to legislators, and the economics and sociology majors wanted to do field studies in the localities surrounding the colleges, and the education and psychology majors wanted to get into schools to do practical work. You all know what happened! The immediate reaction was to try to force students back into the old situation. We argued that they would have years for such participation, and only four years for an education. "But," they replied, "how will we ever know how to participate properly in these complex community activities if you will not teach us how to do it? We need advice and criticism and the opportunity for experimentation with actual materials. This is our laboratory. Of course we will be awkward, but it is better to make mistakes in college where they can be corrected than to make them later when we are out on our own. We want your help."

One Type of Education

Now this *was* an embarrassment! In the first place, too many of the college teachers could not give such help because they themselves had never done any of the things about which they were teaching. Furthermore, it took too much of their time. The state legislature or the board of trustees objected because the students' political, economic, and social ideas were not always those of their elders. Local communities were offended when young researchers came forth with astounding revelations concerning local shortcomings. Occasional college presidents and professors who had helped these students were placed in jeopardy. Parents wrote to say that their sons or daughters had been sent to *college* and would we please see that they stayed there, and tended to their studies. Alumni and alumnae were horrified at such performances in their honored alma mater.

But the students won again. Such a phrase as a "liberal arts education with a vocational slant" is one piece of evidence. But it does not at the present time, in my opinion, truly describe the situation. I think that, whether we admit it or not, we have

really stopped arguing about two things which we debated so long. I do not think that we are trying any more to differentiate between liberal arts and vocational training, as we used to do, nor do I think we believe any more that the college years are mere preliminaries to "life." "Life" does not begin at graduation or, in spite of Professor Pitkin, at any other time except birth. The efforts to convince college students that prior to graduation they were *preparing* to live, and that any attempt to anticipate life itself was improper, were useless. Nor could students be convinced that they must study something abstract and general called "liberal arts" in college, and then study something else called "vocational" as a means of living. They refused to accept the careful definitions which differentiated these two areas in the minds of educators. It was no longer possible merely to lecture and read and recite in libraries and offices and classrooms, and leave all participation in what was happening in the world to the adults and the young people outside the colleges. This made the life of the college professor and the college student much more difficult and complex and exciting and dangerous. Some liked the change and were willing to take the risks involved; some were lazy or afraid and tried to keep safely inside the college walls, and some were honestly unconvinced of either the validity or the necessity of the change.

These two movements which I have been discussing are, in my thinking, closely linked. If the college years are considered merely as four years of an individual's life, then what he does in that space of time is no more preliminary to what he plans to do later, than are the activities of any other four year span. We are always, all of us, learning something today which we will need to use tomorrow, but we never say that we are not "living" just because we are "learning." Nor can a type of learning dubbed "liberal arts" be confined to one group of years, and another type called "vocational" be restricted to a later or earlier period. How are you to classify the study of such a language as Japanese, for example? A

few years ago a few people learned it from what I suppose we must call a "liberal arts" standpoint, but suddenly the knowledge of Japanese language has the highest vocational rating. In one college, the first member of the faculty to be called into a special war service was a professor of Greek. Girls in college used to study mathematics just because they liked the subject, but now they are using it to earn a living. Must we redefine courses on the basis of the intentions of the students who are taking them? I spent several years directing the work of students who were studying housing. They studied government, economics, child welfare, public health, sociology, architecture, home economics, and other subjects. Some of these students are working with public and private housing agencies

which, I suppose, means that the course for them was vocational. Most of them did not enter upon this work as a profession but I hope and believe that such a course, through introducing them to a complex contemporary situation, gave them not only an understanding of that one situation but also a technique for comprehending other contemporary public problems. That is a respectable, classical, liberal arts college purpose. But no difference was made in the method or content to suit the needs of these two groups of students, and it would be impossible to classify the course as either a "liberal arts" or a "vocational" course.

Will *you* try to classify the following courses as "liberal arts" or "vocational"—and they are all taken from the current Connecticut College bul-

letin of courses? There is a course in elementary astrophysics which includes, and I quote, "practical ways in stellar photography, photometry, and spectroscopy." What are the courses in "horticulture" and "bacteriology," in "continental literature" and "labor problems," in "modern drama" and "art in industry." There are "contemporary literature" courses in the various language departments. Are the departments of "music" and of "home economics" only useful for students who plan professional careers? Is "advanced algebra" a liberal arts course, and "theory of investment" a vocational course? How do you classify "abnormal psychology," "recreation leadership," a course on "light and sound," or one on "principles of religious education?" What is the "Auerbach major?" Now, suppose we want to have a new major field—say, one dealing with aviation. It would have to include at least a half dozen existing courses in as many departments and we might have to add new courses. Many women wanting to enter upon careers in aviation will undoubtedly desire to start "living" while they are in college by beginning such aspects of their work as a college is equipped to give them. They will need to know, for example, about public administration because governmental control of aviation is even now very extensive. But "public administration" is a "liberal arts" subject. But *is* it a liberal arts subject? Suppose that many women students do not want to enter upon a career in aviation, but do feel that it is an extremely interesting and important part of contemporary culture. Shall we tell them that an aviation major is not for them because it is a "vocational" subject. But *is* it?

I am back to the beginning. I doubt that Connecticut College is now, or has been for some time, a "liberal arts college with a vocational slant." I think it has wisely stopped trying to decide which it is simply because it is both. The important thing is that living important subjects are being taught to living important young women. Under existing conditions it is almost impossible to keep dead courses in the curriculum of any col-

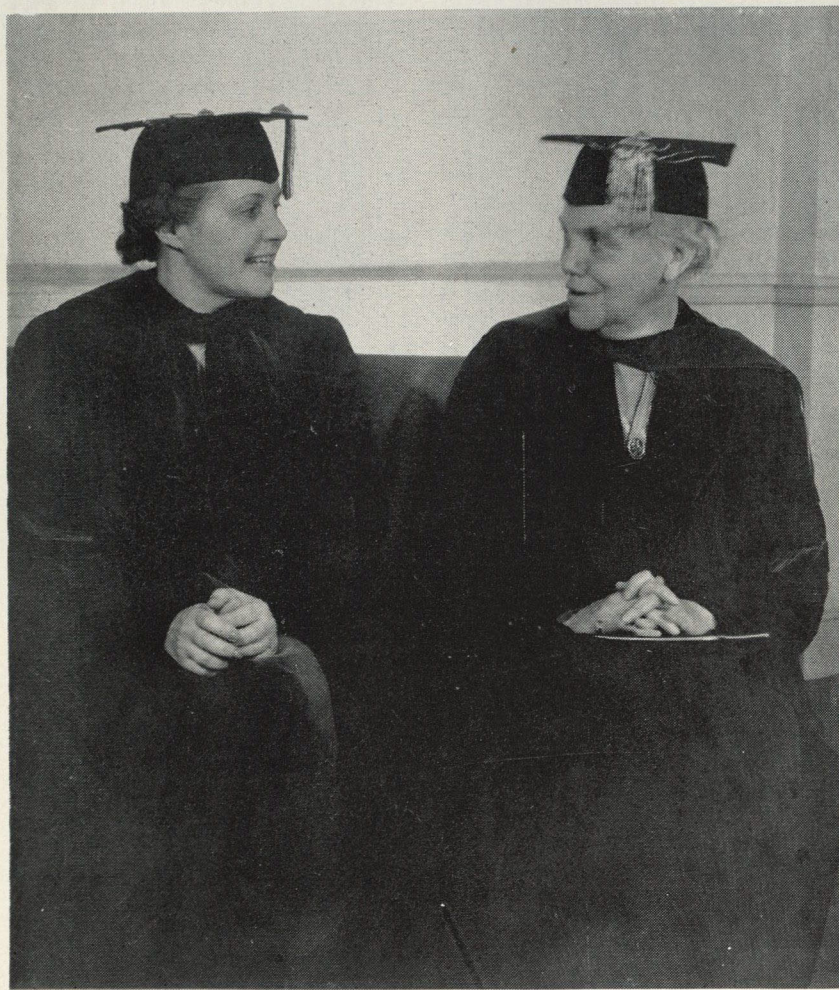


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TALKING IT OVER

lege for any great length of time, and it is equally impossible to prevent such a new subject as, for example, aviation from coming in. Anything which is a real and an important part of life is a fit subject for us to teach—and the students will *make* us do it, sooner or later. Either they will leave the colleges and learn what they need elsewhere, or they will get a living education from us.

College Not Apart from Life

This has always been true. The universities and colleges never have been either independent of or superior to life. A good liberal arts education always has been a good vocational education. It helps you to live with your neighbors, to understand what is happening around you in the light of what has happened before, to adapt yourself to new circumstances, to learn new skills, to lead a happier and fuller life, and these are the basic characteristics of any *good* education. Perhaps you can earn a living with such an education, perhaps you do not need to make money directly from it, or perhaps you want to use it as pre-professional training. If Connecticut College can guarantee to continue to teach certain tool subjects, subjects which furnish means of expression, subjects which permit of communication and cooperation with others, subjects which make available the wealth of past experience, subjects which give the means of intelligent enjoyment, subjects which help to provide an understanding of contemporary culture—in short, almost exactly the subjects which now constitute the curriculum of this college—her graduates will be able to live more successfully and, as one part of “living,” they will be able to “earn a living” in financial terms more successfully. If the college can continue to do this we shall be offering both liberal arts and vocational education, without trying to differentiate between them or to combine them.

Description Inaccurate

Have I made clear my reason for saying that Connecticut College does not seem to me to be a “liberal arts college with a vocational slant”? Can anyone suggest a new phrase—or

shall we have to stop describing ourselves so neatly? I want to be able to tell other people what we are doing and what we propose to do in the future, but I doubt that it can be done in so few words. I want to say that the college has tried in the past to give to her students what they needed to live successfully in the world of their time. That has involved the most careful attention by the three presidents who preceded me in this office, and by all the boards of trustees and faculty members, and by the alumnae and the students. Such an aim is so tremendous that, at the best, it has never been completely achieved. During periods of rapid change in the world, no universities or colleges have been able quickly enough to understand the situation into which they were graduating their students so that necessary changes could be made overnight, and at such periods some critics have said that the colleges have “failed.” We are now in a period of rapid change and most of us feel that this period will continue for an indefinite time. In spite of this, I do not believe that we shall fail, and I think our success will be assured if we are fully aware of the nature of our problem.

This problem can be stated very simply, in my opinion. We must do two things. The fundamental definition of a good college education must be kept before us continually, and we must be willing and ready to make any necessary adjustments to changing external conditions for the purpose of preserving that defined purpose. For four years young adults, with our help, will *live* in this college. These four years must be a fundamental part of the coming years of their lives, not merely a preparation. This means that we must be constantly in touch with things outside the college. We must be trying to foresee what conditions will be when the classes of 1947, and of 1946, and of 1945, and of 1944 leave the campus. We must keep ourselves in as flexible a state of mind as possible in order that any necessary changes can be accomplished promptly. We must not be afraid to change, provided that we are certain that our main purposes will be thus furthered. On the other

hand, we must not feel that everything we do must be wrong merely because some alteration has not been made since the war began. Many courses offer such basic materials that even a world war affects them very little. There must be no predisposition either for or against changes in the college, and each new proposal must be judged on its merits in the light of its effect on our fundamental purposes.

Our Major Purpose

In short, we who are responsible for Connecticut College will have to combine inflexibility of purpose with the greatest flexibility possible in devising concrete means of carrying that purpose into effect. I think we can more easily achieve such a combination of inflexibility and flexibility at Connecticut College than at some educational institutions, because it seems to me—and I hope that this is not merely a superficial judgment—that the combination is consistent with the character of the college as it has developed throughout the years. I have yet to hear any one say that Connecticut College is either a conservative or a radical institution, or that it is trying to merit either description. If we *must* be placed in a category, perhaps it would be fair to say that we are a four year undergraduate college with the major purpose of being a useful member of contemporary American society. On occasion this may lead us into conservative action, or we may need to make radical changes under other circumstances. The test of our conservatism or radicalism will always be our usefulness in contemporary American society. If we cling persistently to this test throughout the coming years I am most optimistic about our future. Only when a college is out of touch with its own time—when it is trying to carry out an educational program ill-adjusted to the needs of its students in the years after their graduation—can it be said to have “failed.” It shall be my aim to keep Connecticut College in the position which it now occupies, which I believe to be very far indeed from a “failure.” I ask only that all the friends of the

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On the Campus

Miss Blunt has been appointed by Governor Baldwin of Connecticut as State Civilian Chairman of Wac Recruiting, and is working actively for the Wacs. In November she represented Governor Baldwin at the Governors' Conference for Wac All-State Recruiting held at Fort Ogelthorpe, Georgia. Undoubtedly we shall soon be hearing that the number of Wac volunteers in Connecticut has increased with startling rapidity.

Miss Blunt has bought a house at 38 Glenwood Avenue, New London, where she will live when she is not traveling for the Wacs, and she most cordially invites alumnae to call on her when they are in New London.

An event which will receive far more attention in a later issue of the News is the impending retirement in early December of the Wrights, Miss Elizabeth and Miss Mary, as Bursar and Assistant Bursar. As everyone knows, Miss Elizabeth was one of the founders of the college, and since 1910 when the Hartford College club started the movement for a college for women in Connecticut, her life has been interwoven with that of the college. Miss Mary came to the campus in 1921, and the two of them through the years have lent a rare mixture of humor and stability to the campus scene. They will continue to live in their house built on the campus at North Ridge a few years ago.

The list of granddaughters on campus grows yearly. This year it includes: Jean Buck '44, daughter of Jessica Williams Buck ex '22, Glastonbury, Connecticut; Ann Bunyan '47, Helen Higgins Bunyan '23, New Rochelle, New York; Jane Coulter '47, Evelyn Bitgood Coulter '19, South Dartmouth, Massachusetts; Nancy Favorite '45, Louise Avery Favorite '31, Waban, Massachusetts; Marjorie Lawrence '45, Jessie Wells Lawrence '19, Glenbrook, Connecticut;

Barbara Wadsworth '45, Amy Kugler Wadsworth '19, Providence Rhode Island. In addition there are many sisters and cousins on the campus. Of interest to older alumnae will be the fact that Ruth Barry '47 is the daughter of "Miss McGarry," for so long President Marshall's secretary.

Joseph Bonnet, one of the great organists of today, will give a recital in Harkness Chapel on Wednesday, January 12. The college concert series includes recitals by Robert Casadesu, pianist; Yehudi Menuhin, violinist; the Coolidge String Quartet; the Boston Symphony Orchestra; and the Metropolitan Opera Quartet. Mr. Quimby of the Music department has given four recitals in the current Bach organ series.

Interest in the choir music is keen. A faculty writer of an open letter to the college News recently expressed the general enthusiasm: "... There is a great deal of music of concert excellence on this campus for which we cannot even clap. Nor can it be reviewed. There is nothing we can say or do about what the choir does, increasing in skill Sunday after Sunday, except try to suppress the Cheshire-cat grins which we are tempted to exchange with any nearby neighbor. Nevertheless, there comes a time when one is impelled to do more than listen and come again—hence this letter, written after a year when Bach chorales were as plentiful as blackberries, Mozart and Arcadelt and Hassler our familiar companions. This is an educational institution, and not the least of what it offers is four years' opportunity to know through one's ears the vast and rich literature of music which has been written for the services of the church. ... A new faculty member looked at me in surprise when I remarked that one could not stay away from certain things because one might miss what the choir might sing. There are colleges with

famous choirs where this is taken for granted. She simply hadn't known that this choir bid fair to be that kind of choir. ... There is a special pleasure in having Mr. Quimby's series of Bach works for the organ begin in a transportationless war year, when many persons feel sharply the absence of 'Mr. Lambdin's oratorio.' It would be impracticable perhaps for News to review this series (though no metropolitan daily could let them pass, but that is different), but again there is something unsatisfying about mere private jubilation when those recitals include for example such firm, strong, sensitive playing of Bach's great B minor Prelude and Fugue as we heard in October. Scholarly austerity and emotional power and delicacy do not always come together; these pieces require both, and we get both."

Foreign students for 1943-44 are: Hanna Lowe, Hedwig Seligsohn, and Mary Robinson, refugees from Germany; Toni Deane-Jones, England; Francesca Revaque, Mexico; Juanita Guruceta, Nicaragua; Tomoe Murata, Hawaii. At the recent International Weekend on campus these students spoke on educational affairs in their native countries. In the past this weekend has been held for the purpose of enabling foreign students of various colleges to meet and discuss with each other and with American students current educational problems. Because the college has not been able to take care of overnight guests on campus this year, the invitation could not be extended to foreign students of other colleges.

Wig and Candle will present three productions this year. The Fall play, the farce "Good Morning," will be presented on campus and at service men's centers. The second annual Connteen will also be presented, as was last year's Connteen with tremendous success, at nearby military and naval centers. An operetta written by two students will be produced under the supervision of Mrs. Ray and the Music department, and will be given during Art Week and also at service centers.

The Carnegie room in the Auditorium is open for faculty and student use. A gift of the Carnegie Foundation, the set includes a Capehart victrola, and an unusually complete library of records and orchestral scores. The recordings range from Gregorian chants to the latest modern compositions, include vocal, solo instrument, and orchestral works, and new records are constantly being added.

Letter received November 15, 1943 from Jean Ellis '39, now Placement Officer, Outpost Bureau, Office of War Information, 224 West Fifty-seventh Street, New York, New York.

"The Outpost Bureau of the Office of War Information in New York is extremely interested in securing the services of approximately some 25 secretaries to work in the Algiers or London offices.

The requirements call for high-type girls who have had good secretarial experience. The positions range in salary from \$2,000 to \$2,300 per annum plus overtime. Living allowance and traveling expenses are also paid.

Miss Ellis will be glad to have any interested person get in touch with her directly."

More than 100 color reproductions and over 200 black and white prints comprise the renting collection which the Art department lends for one dollar per year to faculty, students, and other members of the college community. The collection includes Goya aquatints, woodcuts, and works in color by old and modern masters from Giotto to Georgia O'Keeffe. Other artists represented are Daumier, Degas, Gainsborough, Matisse, Van Gogh, Rembrandt, Vermeer, and Picasso. The collection is made up of gifts from friends, the Carnegie Foundation, departmental acquisitions, and certain prints from the college's valuable Wetmore collection.

Each month a Masterpiece of the Month, borrowed by the Art department from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, another museum or private collector, is hung in the library. October and November pictures were "Bright Circle" by Vasily Kandinsky

and "Duck Pond," by Renoir. The Lyman-Allyn museum exhibited through November work of Paul Douglass, a New London artist who

painted in the early part of the twentieth century. Many paintings of the late Louis Michel Eilshemius were also on exhibition.

The Student Viewpoint

by Joanna Dimock '45

THIS YEAR started like any other year, with the organized confusion of Freshman Week and the excited surge of returning upperclassmen, but the opening assembly was different. While the hymns were sung and while the academic procession flowed majestically through the auditorium, there was a new air of expectancy. All eyes were focussed on the stage when Miss Blunt arose and began speaking, this year as always, to welcome the assembled company—and this year, as never before, to introduce the new president, Miss Schaffter from Vassar. The auditorium echoed with applause and Miss Blunt sat down, and faced a new life, a life that must have seemed strangely empty at that moment.

The faculty and students had already come to respect Miss Schaffter for her scholastic record, and many who had met her praised her poise and graciousness. Yet I believe everyone felt a new admiration for her after she began to speak designating Miss Blunt not as the ex-president, but as the indispensable friend, counsellor, and helper of Connecticut College. I think the tact and sympathy manifested in that speech are qualities that will make us love the new president.

Besides Miss Schaffter thirty new members have been added to the college faculty, and there have been other changes in administration and curriculum. The department of Economics and Sociology has been divided into two departments, after growing so large as to include from one-fourth to one-third of the student body. Miss Hafkesbrink and Miss Park have instituted a new course, German 29-30. Given in both German and English, it is a study of the cultural back-

ground of contemporary Germany. The only textbook is a collection of mimeographed sheets containing letters, essays, poems, and other material written in Germany from 1870 to 1943, and compiled by Miss Hafkesbrink and Miss Park. There are not enough sheets to go around, as the class is very popular. The students are especially interested in the course, since it takes the first World War as a starting point, and the historical and philosophical trends of that period have many present day parallels.

Perhaps this interest in war-time problems is typical of a new spirit at the college. In the past, despite the numerous war activities, such as first aid and other classes and the "Conn-teen" shows for the entertainment of local service men, the average student continued to live like the lady of Shal-lott. This year, we hope, will bring an awakening. On October 20 a very successful War Service Rally was held in the auditorium, and the year's program of war services was officially inaugurated.

Much has been done already. War saving stamps are being sold in the Sandwich Shop and in Fanning Hall. Tryouts for the new "Conn-teen" show are under way, and a dramatic show and musical comedy are also planned. These will give free showings for the service men and benefit performances for war relief, as did last year's "Conn-teen."

Many students have helped reap Connecticut harvests this Fall. A group of girls went to Lebanon near Norwich and picked 186 bushels of apples for 15 cents a bushel. A still larger group has assisted in hoeing and gathering the potatoes in the bot-any garden near campus. Grown as

an experiment, this crop will be welcome food for students during the winter. Many a girl has returned to her dormitory dirty but proud after an afternoon's hoeing. The War Services program has made a good beginning.

The college had a taste of war-time hardship in October. An effort to increase the pressure in the over-taxed water system of New London resulted in several burst mains. At

three-thirty on Tuesday, October 12, there was almost no running water on campus. A little could still be obtained from the nearby reservoir, enough for drinking and refrigeration. A little more was pumped to the gym from the Arboretum pond, a muddy, undrinkable trickle. During the emergency paper plates were used to save dish washing. Thursday morning the college resumed its normal mode of life.

or dance. This plan met with considerable success when it was tried last year.

New Jersey

Guests were invited on November 10 to a successful white elephant sale, with chapter members donating the articles to be sold. Betty Middleton '43 has worked out a plan of chapter sisters, based on the college junior sister idea. After midyear examinations, chapter members will send letters to the seniors, giving them a view of alumnae activities, and plan to see each one during the Spring vacation. A large bridge party will also be held for the seniors. For the chapter's share in the war effort, members will bake cakes or cookies once a month for the local Y.M.C.A., which is the center for entertaining service men in the area.

New London

Plans for the year are not complete as yet, but there will be the annual Christmas supper, a political service meeting, the scholarship bridge, and a Spring picnic. President Schaffter was the guest of honor at a tea in November.

Philadelphia

The following is the program for the year: October 30—Luncheon meeting, Rosamond Beebe Cochran '26, guest speaker. February—Speaker on education in the lower schools. Annual tea during Spring vacation for prospective students, with President Schaffter and presidents of various preparatory schools as guests. May—Annual business meeting and election of officers. Nancy Smedley ex '33 has joined the SPARS, and is now an ensign stationed in California. Charlotte Harburger Stern '35 has moved to Illinois, and is replaced by Roberta Chace Freygang '35 as Chairman of Social Service.

Pittsburgh

The annual tea for students is planned for Christmas vacation this year. Miss Schaffter will be the guest of honor at a Spring meeting.

Washington

Dorothy Stewart '36 reports that Althea Smith Latham '41 is now living in New London for an indefinite period, which adjusts Dorothy's status from "alternate" secretary to secretary of the Washington Chapter. A meeting was held on October 21, at

Chapters

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Boston

Only one or two meetings will be held this year because of the difficulty of transportation, and war activities. The outstanding event of the year was the evening meeting on December 1, at the Boston Y.W.C.A., when President Schaffter was the guest of honor.

Cleveland

The opening meeting on September 10 was a tea for new students, upperclassmen, and alumnae at the home of the president, Betty Miller Parkhurst '33. About forty attended the tea following the business meeting. September 22 was an evening meeting with joint executive boards and team captains for the lecture series sponsored by Connecticut College, Mt. Holyoke, Smith, Vassar, Wells and Wellesley. Work was also accomplished at the meeting on war stamp corsages. Emily Warner Caddock '25 attended a chapter meeting on October 20, while she was in Cleveland for a Girl Scout convention. Dr. Hannah Roach spoke for Connecticut College in the lecture series on October 25 at 11 a.m. at Cleveland College, followed by a joint luncheon with Vassar. Evening meetings are held every Wednesday to make war stamp corsages under the direction of Harriett Hickok Hardy ex '31, at the home of Virginia Eggleston Smith '22. In December there will be a Christmas luncheon for students, and in March President Schaffter will visit the chapter.

Fairfield

Again this year, due to war conditions, only two meetings will be held. The first meeting was held November 2, in Stamford, at the home of Gertrude Koetter Ryder '26. Sonya G. Machelson talked about Latvia. There will be a Spring meeting, at which President Schaffter will be the guest speaker.

Hartford

The first meeting of the year was held on September 30 at the home of Mary Anne Smith '41 in East Hartford, combining a business and social meeting. The war project this year will be the rolling of bandages for the Hartford Hospital. Fanchon Hartman Title '20 has offered her recreation room as a workroom, and meetings are held there the first Wednesday of each month. Mrs. Baldwin, wife of the Governor of Connecticut, will be the guest speaker at the November meeting, and President Schaffter will be the guest at the Winter meeting.

New Haven

Four dinner meetings are to be held this year. The first meeting was on October 26. Each member was requested to bring an article for a white elephant auction, to provide funds for the chapter treasury, as well as to furnish amusement while members sewed for the Red Cross. Due to wartime conditions, yearly chapter dues have been increased, in lieu of an attempt to raise money by a bridge

Dorothy Stewart's apartment, to formulate plans for the four chapter meetings this year.

Westchester

On November 16, a meeting was

held in Bronxville, at the home of Mary Birch Timberman '23, when Pan American movies were shown. Money is being raised for the traditional Westchester Scholarship. This winter the New York, New Jersey,

and Westchester Chapters are planning a joint dinner meeting, at which President Schaffter will be the guest of honor. This will be the highlight of the year, and we are anticipating the event eagerly.

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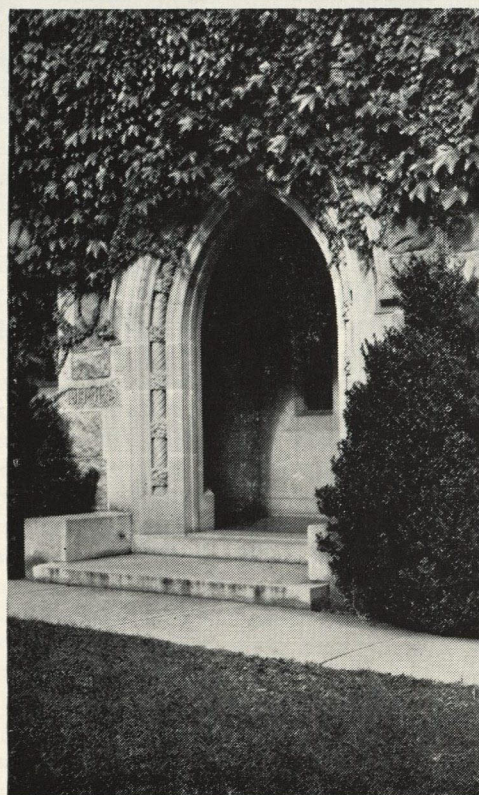
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Liberal Education

by Charles Seymour, President of Yale University

I THINK YOU must appreciate the pride I take in the privilege of participating in this occasion and the warmth of the congratulations I bring to Connecticut College as her new president is inaugurated. From Yale I carry to you affectionate greetings. I do not know whether they should be described as brotherly or sisterly or perhaps with an adverb indicating an even more interesting relationship; but of the sincerity of those greetings you may be certain. I do not have to emphasize the community of interests which brings Connecticut College and Yale close to each other or the pleasure which at least on our side we take in the increasing intimacy of personal and academic relationships.

To your new President and to the college itself I bring hearty congratulations. The opportunities which are open to this institution at this time in our history are of an importance that can hardly be overstated. We have complete confidence that in the new administration they will be capitalized. That Connecticut College stands ready to give the essential service to the state and the nation which the opportunity calls for, is the result of the older administration. As a citizen of Connecticut and representing Yale I bring to President Blunt our tributes of admiration and of gratitude. Under her the college has translated into established fact the ideal of a Connecticut institution that would provide for women, first of the state, then of the nation, an education as good as any provided for men. Forty-odd years ago President Taylor of Brown, writing to the trustees, said:

"The chance of directly influencing the life of one's time through the young men of a great college is alluring; but indirectly, and in an increasing degree directly, the influence of the educated woman in the home, the school, the church, the state and so-

ciety can hardly be accounted as holding the second place."

Under Miss Blunt, Connecticut College has not merely underlined the truth of this statement through the alumnae of these halls; it has also worthily maintained the ideals of a liberal college against the vociferous

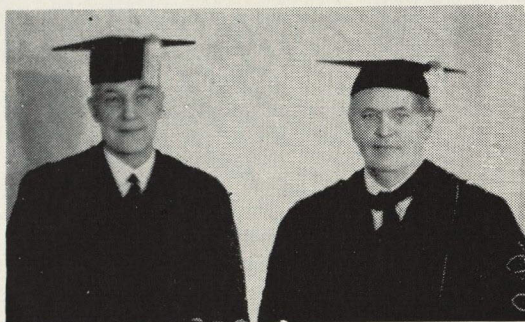


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Presidents Charles Seymour of Yale and Henry N. MacCracken of Vassar participate in fourth inauguration

demands of a utilitarian vocationalism. We are conscious that in the preservation of these ideals there is a further and an enduring sympathy with Yale.

We must not allow the liberal college to compete with the technical training school or the vocational institute, vital as they are in a national educational system. Ours is a special mission; if we are diverted from it we leave a gap that cannot otherwise be filled; if we fail in it we shall disappear as did the monasteries of old. Ours is a mission designed to provide for the young an intellectual experience, to enforce an intellectual attitude toward life that will enable them to use fruitfully the freedom they will enjoy as citizens. We must also provide for them in their life as students a moral experience which will teach them that effective freedom is obtained only through a process of self-discipline.

What a college gives to a man or woman is a topic of never-ending debate. Never yet have I heard it stated

in categorical terms that sufficed to win the unqualified acceptance of anyone besides the speaker himself.

Such conflict and confusion of opinion as to the value of a college education disturbs a good many people who like to know in pretty definite terms what good is in this experience for which hard cash is being paid, and for which four years are taken out of a man's life. During the past twelve months, when it looked as if the advent of the armed forces college training programs might ring the death knell of the male liberal colleges, there were not a few persons, some of them so-called educational leaders of a modernistic sort, whose general attitude was, "Well, what of it? The day of the liberal college had passed and it deserved no artificial resuscitation; it must give way to institutions capable of providing practical training in

subjects useful to a modern society. And they gave warning to the female colleges that their day was done unless they kept up with the times. To them have replied men and women far abler than I am, to show the values of a liberal education. Into this debate, at the moment at least, I do not propose to inject myself; although as you may suspect I confess complete loyalty to the latter group. The liberal arts I am convinced are essential to our modern democracy.

Accepting this postulate, however, is it true that our liberal college of today can be justified? How much of the spirit of the liberal arts does it actually instill in the students? Is the college bred man and woman of today imbued with the intellectual enthusiasm and the sense of moral responsibility which are the basic conditions of life in a free society?

I suppose that even the most enthusiastic proponent of the American liberal college would hardly put forward the thesis that our typical graduates were persons whose attitude to-

ward life or interest in it appeared to be primarily intellectual. Perhaps I am unfair to the ladies. Certainly our Yale alumni would reply to the suggestion that they were intellectual without hesitation "Perish the thought!" A Gallup poll is unnecessary. The character of the books on the tables of our alumni, the bookshelves, if there are any, prove nothing, since books in desuetude form handsome decoration, the nature of their conversation in the moments of leisure which business leaves to them, the quality of their avocations or recreations—all these indications of interest imply for the great majority of college-bred American men at least a healthy but hardly an intellectual philosophy of life; indeed the manner of life of many of them is so unconscious that one wonders if the term philosophy can be used at all.

Let me without undue palaver make the confession, unworthy though it may seem of a college president, that I am far less disturbed by this fact than some of my presidential colleagues in other institutions, less disturbed than I used to be, or perhaps than I ought to be. In the cause of honesty and for the salvation of my soul if not of my reputation I have to admit that the dream of graduating a class composed entirely of members of Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi has something of a nightmarish quality to it. There would be the greater certainty of an unbridgeable gulf between the college graduate and the mass of the nation, the creation of an intellectual caste, a sort of Magi, isolated from the man in the street and doubtless cordially disliked by him, a caste entirely foreign to the spirit of our national development. The peril, we may note incidentally, seems as yet to be quite remote.

Now before the academic guild rises to lead me for burning at the stake as a self-confessed apostate, let me clarify my position. For this is a dangerous matter in which to be misunderstood. I would repeat what I said in my inaugural address at Yale and frequently since, that the primary purpose of the college must be intellectual in its nature; that our main job is to help young men and women to achieve an enthusiasm for the pur-

suit of the intellectual attitude in life; that in so far as we fail to achieve that purpose it behooves us to better our ways and to produce more graduates with greater intellectual enthusiasm. But when that is said I still refuse to be discouraged by the product of the colleges, female or male.

Results of College Life

Their failure in the first place is relative. It is certain that a number of students, varying in number from term to term, enter college with intellectual aspirations and aesthetic tastes to find in the experience great satisfaction, and who develop their opportunities with high success. They carry forward these tastes into their later lives and the interest they take in their college as an intellectual institution indicates that they found their campus experience to be profitable. There is another group entering college every year with no awakened interest in the intellectual life, a larger number of souls, who would be lost outside the college, but who within it are snatched from the Philistine burning. Your guess as to the number in this group is as good as mine. Such undergraduates probably would never have had the least glimmer of intellectual interest, but in college acquire sufficient to exercise a marked influence in their later lives.

Let us say, then, that we may not be satisfied but ought not to be completely discouraged by the intellectual effects of college life. In another, and equally important field, I believe that we can be more positive. College graduates do seem to possess certain distinctive qualities, call them moral if you will, which apparently emerge as a result or at least as an aftermath of their campus experience. These are of importance for them and above all for the community. Such qualities are not, strictly speaking, the designed products of the college. Indeed it would appear as though they come to effective life only as by-products and that when you try to manufacture them synthetically you turn out sham articles. No one has yet made a man or woman a better citizen through any text-book system; an effective course in the building of character has yet to demonstrate its efficiency. The

development of these qualities is not the professed business of the liberal college; and yet we should feel the most profound disappointment if they did not result from college life. As an institution we must continue to keep our primary intellectual aim clear and endeavor constantly to improve our intellectual product; but we must be sure that we do nothing to disturb the magic quality of the atmosphere from which these by-products, which are beyond price may emerge.

These qualities are difficult to isolate and identify, graduates cannot agree upon their relative importance. One of the reasons I think, why they fail to agree in specifying college values lies in the fact that the more important of such qualities have in them so much of selflessness that they are hard to recognize in one's self. (This may sound paradoxical! it is I hope in accord with sound psychology; I am sure that it is true.) The most important of all is that which leads the individual to forget himself in his loyalty to the community of which he is a part, call it a sense of social responsibility or, if you prefer, as applied to the campus in preparation for life, simply college spirit. It is the basis of citizenship.

This is a moral quality. The founding fathers of our 18th century New England colleges no doubt had it in mind when they planned collegiate schools to prepare young men for public employment in church and civil state. Very wisely they did not set up a school of citizenship but rather laid down an intellectual curriculum. The better the brain the better the later service. But the by-product has been an outstanding characteristic of the history of these colleges. It has appeared of course in the long roster of college men who have fulfilled literally the purpose of "public employment" by entering the ministry or more numerous the ranks of government officials, state and national, appointive and elective. A crisis such as the first World War or that through which we are now passing, gives clear evidence of the power of this sense of responsibility to the community on the part of the individual. You cannot go into the Washington offices where the most important, the most difficult,

and the most ungrateful jobs are carried on, without finding yourself jostled at every step by graduates of the liberal college.

Less spectacular but even more convincing evidence is at hand to show the extent to which our graduates, men and women, have accepted the obligation to public service. It is not always translated into office-holding, but finds just as true an expression in the vast variety of community jobs, unpaid and often unrecognized, by which American democracy carries on its life without help, and we hope without interference from government. You find it in all the local communities, metropolitan, urban, rural—in New York, Denver, or Winsted. The leaders of your non-political community activities are college-bred.

This is no more than it should be, acceptance of the principle of noblesse oblige, the recognition in living terms of a repayment for privileges received. But it is a fact of tremendous importance and one that must be perpetuated if our democracy is to survive.

We shall, I believe, succeed in solving our post-war problems, but only if we develop and maintain a moral purpose and confess to ourselves that the road indicated by that purpose lies through self-discipline and self-sacrifice. Consider that today we are able to bring our social and economic activity to a point of unguessed power. The reason for this is that a patriotic war is accepted as a moral purpose adequate to inspire the degree of sacrifice in all classes of the community that is necessary to achieve success. Shall we confess that we cannot discover and perpetuate in times of peace a moral purpose for the nation, comparable in its effectiveness to that of the war?

The nation looks to the leadership of the college bred man and woman. Let us admit that their attitude is not predominantly intellectual. But while we pray that the Lord may send us more men and women with brains, the crisis we face is not one to be resolved in purely intellectual terms. As the distinguished British historian Professor Carr asserts, "There is all the difference in the world between an examination of the conditions

which a new faith and a new moral purpose must fulfill and an assurance that this faith and this purpose will come to birth. They cannot be generated by an intellectual process which can do no more than demonstrate the need for them if civilization is to be saved." Salvation can be achieved by the leadership of the college-bred man and woman, following in the traditions they have inherited, accepting and making their own the essential moral purpose that goes with the obligation of the individual to the community. Our students have learned

the lesson in the working and playing hours of campus life; in these days it is being drilled into them at the training camp, on the battle field, and in organized activities of the home front.

The liberal college of today represents three hundred years of this tradition which here in New England has been of especial power. The tradition is ancient but its power has been manifest in our younger colleges as in our older ones. Through its maintenance and its strengthening we shall find our justification as institutions essential for a democratic society.



CAMPUS CONFERENCE

Class Notes

Gertrude Noyes '25, *Editor*, Connecticut College, New London, Conn.

1919

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

Barbara Hawley, daughter of Jean Sawin Hawley, was married to John Vondell on July 28 in the Riverside Church, N. Y. C. Mr. Vondell is in the service, and Jean will be at home in Amherst for the duration. Irma has a new position as Home Service Secretary with the Red Cross in New London, and finds the work very interesting. She had a surprise visit recently from Marion Kofsky Harris, who is Home Service Correspondent with the National Red Cross in Washington. Marion's husband is a mediation officer with the War Labor Board. Julie Hatch was interviewed by the N. Y. *Herald-Tribune* recently in regard to the case of two boys who needed a temporary home. The case was handled through Julie's agency. Alison Hastings spent her vacation at Twin Lakes, Conn. with her family. She discovered that Jessie Menzies Luce '20 and her son were staying at the next cottage. Dorothy Upton suffered an acute attack of appendicitis this summer. Juline and her husband went to their camp in Colebrook, Conn. this summer.

Dorothy Dart is a secretary with the Carnegie Endowment, where she works in the library. Clem Jordan Goulart wrote that she and her husband pedalled over to Evelyn's new home at South Dartmouth, Mass. this summer. Clem went to night school two winters to study Portuguese so that she could help her husband's patients. Lucy went up to Ocean Point, Me. for a short vacation. Prent has just moved into a new apartment in Boston. Jane Coulter, Evelyn's daughter, has entered C.C. in the freshman class and is living in East House. We are proud to hear that Marion Rogers Nelson's son, Lloyd, has joined the faculty of the University of Connecticut as instructor in the Physics Department. He will work with the Army classes in a newly designed basic engineering course. Lloyd recently received his B.S. from the University of North Carolina. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in May, 1942.

1920

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

Leah Pick Silber is our new Class Agent. Give her a boost by sending in your checks for Alumnae Fund now! Her daughter, Janet, entered high school this fall. Leah is a staff assistant for the Red Cross.

Teed and Ray Baldwin hope to move into the Governor's Mansion in Hartford by December 15. Joan Munro Odell had a very busy summer with victory garden, Red Cross, and air raid duties. Fanchon Hartman Title is Girl Scout Commissioner of Hartford. Her son is a freshman at West Point. Feta Perley Reiche's son is a freshman at Trinity, has already passed his air corps exams., and expects to enlist in January. Margaret Davies Cooper has moved to R.D. 2, Sinking Springs, Pa. Her daughter, Eynon, is a freshman at Wilson College and is majoring in chemistry. Dave says, "Whether or not we can have a reunion, we will want to give a gift to the College after 25 years, and our treasury is in a deplorable state." The more dues now, the less assessment at reunion time—so send her your check for two dollars now. Rachel Parker Porter writes that her son is in the Air Force, training to be a pilot. Her daughter is a senior at Ethel Walker School. Agnes Mae Clark spent three weeks in New York this summer. Her Charlie, who is a colonel, attended the recent conference at Quebec. She sees Marion Kofsky Harris occasionally in Washington. John and I spent a lovely weekend this fall at Lord Jeffrey Inn at Amherst. Dot Stelle Stone and I tried to get together in Springfield between trains but missed each other. Her son is training to be a pilot in the air corps and will get his wings in February.

1921

Members of the Class will be saddened to learn of the death of Anne Flaherty in Brooklyn on July 11. She had been forced to relinquish her teaching duties in February on account of illness.

Pending the appointment of a correspondent, two members of the class have kindly sent in some items. Dorothy Pryde supplies the following: "Marion Lyon Jones's daughter, Marion, was married on December 23, 1942 to Ensign Richard Eddy of the C. G. Reserve. They are living in Chicago but were home visiting Marion recently. Marion Adams Taylor ex'21 has a son, Sterling, Jr., in the Navy V-12 program at the Medical School of George Washington University. Her son, Marshall, is in his first year at Harvard, taking the pre-medical course. Her daughter, Anne, is attending Mrs. Day's school in New Haven. Hattie Goldman Rosoff has been busy with a Victory Garden this year. Her son, Chester, is in the Harvard Medical School, while her daughter, Gladys, is a freshman at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. Esther Watrous Hendricks has spent a busy summer canning. As for myself, I had a glorious two weeks visiting a friend in North Carolina. During a week at Asheville I slept under three blankets, but it was 100 degrees in the shade the next week at Davidson, N. C."

Another much appreciated contribution comes from Bobby Newton Blanchard: "Had a nice long letter from Dot Gregson Slocum. After two years in Montreal she has returned to her home in Darien, Conn. Her oldest son, Bobby, is at Lawrenceville this year; and Mary Jean goes to Miss Thomas's school in Rowayton. I saw Laura Batchelder Sharpe last fall at her delightful home in Hartford. Her teen age Marquita is very pretty; and Pudsie, about thirteen, looks like his good-looking mother. Grace Fisher's mother and father will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary soon. They are having a big reception. My own three daughters are growing up fast! Robbie is a sophomore at Smith this year, and Joan a senior at the Brimmer-May School in Boston, while Sally is in high school. I'm very active in the Florence Crittenton League and do some substituting in canteens. Wish the gals from '21 would include news with their Fund contributions this year."

Marguerite Paul has just returned to teaching in Wallingford after a two-year leave of absence, one winter of which was spent in Florida and the other at the University of Connecticut, taking a few refresher courses. We are sorry that '21 fell by the wayside in producing a paper reunion.

1922

AMY PECK YALE, *Correspondent*,
Box 146, Sta. A, Meriden, Conn.

Greetings to all members and ex-members of 1922! Most of the news for this column has been culled from questionnaires filled out in May by 21 members and eight ex-members, and it has been a privilege to read what you are all doing now. Where are the rest of you? A few statistics: of these 29, 21 are married and have 23 daughters and 14 sons. Ten live in Connecticut, five in New York, three in Massachusetts, and the rest scattered from coast to coast. Two have husbands in the service.

When Margaret Baxter Butler asked me to take this job, she sent some news. She is busy as social worker and psychologist in the Woman's Hospital in Detroit. She told me the sad news that Ruth Rose Levine died in the summer of 1942. Another sad item is the death of Catherine McCarthy last May. She had taught in Meriden High for twenty years and was loved by faculty and pupils, who wrote a very fine tribute to her in the school paper. They loved her for the personal interest she took in every one of her pupils.

Mary Thomson Shepard comes to some of our Meriden chapter meetings. She is working in the Southington Pratt and Whitney Plant as crib attendant and is living in Plantsville. Her daughter, Nellie, is in the sixth grade. Ruth Bacon Wickwire is at Turner Field, Albany, Ga., where Grant is stationed. He's a lieutenant in the Air Corps, serving as instructor in ground work. Katherine is in school in Washington, D. C., and Ruth is tutoring Lyn at home. Gertrude Avery Krout, whose husband is a Congregational minister, keeps busy on the town Victory Garden committee as a 4-H worker. Her daughter, June Gertrude, is five.

Grace Berger Barbee is an attorney with a branch of the Army in San Francisco. Lucy McDannel has her law office at 9 Rockefeller Plaza, N.Y.C. Helen Coops is a professor at the University of Cincinnati and expected to spend this summer overseas as club director for the Red Cross. Helen Crofoot is a cataloguer in the Columbia University Library. Marjorie Smith is working in the Providence Public Library, doing teletype work in the Providence Warning District, and acting as senior hostess at the Gallery Canteen, about which

there was an article in the April '43 *Recreation Magazine*. Mildred Duncan is Director of the Social Service Department of the Allegheny General Hospital. Her work deals with emotional problems of patients and with the rehabilitation of handicapped people.

Ann Graham keeps busy at home in Stonington. Marion Gray Bradley is operating a chicken plant with 3000 laying hens in Mystic, Conn., while her husband, Col. Eric Bradley, is on active duty with the Air Force. Ann Hastings Chase is teaching square-dancing to the soldiers at Easton, Pa., where her husband is Professor of Government at Lafayette College. Constance Hill Hathaway gives her occupation as "Household Executive and Household Technician, Coach in music, art, and other fields to two mentally and physically vigorous children," and has so many other activities with Girl Scouts and war jobs that one wonders how many hours she packs into a day. Elizabeth Merrill Blake keeps busy with her home, her two children, and defense work.

Marguerite Mills Murphy's son passed his eighteenth birthday in March. Marguerite is busy with Red Cross and Hospital Aid work, and her husband is on the Price Control Board. She is living in London, Ontario. Augusta O'Sullivan is running an insurance office in New London for the duration. Helen Peale Sumner is another who considers being a housewife and mother a full-time job but still manages to get in Red Cross, gardening, canning, etc. Gay Powell Slayton was "moving next week to our own home in Larchmont" but didn't give her new address. Ann Slade Frey is studying and teaching piano, but added gardening to her program this summer. Ruby Tracy Wegman is teaching singing. Claudine Smith Hane writes that her daughter, Melicent, enters the University of Minnesota as a junior this fall, studying to be a medical technologist. Gladys Smith Packard, her husband, and two daughters live in Middletown, Conn.

Jeanette Sperry Thompson is chairman of the committee for nurses' aides in Winchester, Mass. Helen Stickle Downes lives "high on a hill" in the northern part of Westchester County. The women of New Rochelle have been learning all about canning this summer from Helen Tryon. Since March Olive Tuthill Reid has been working in the canteen

at Parker Appliance, pushing a truck load of food around one of the departments and selling the food to the workers. Jean Buck, daughter of Jessica Williams Buck, is in the class of 1944 at C.C. Dorothy Wheeler is counselor to 550 girls in the Bulkeley High School in Hartford, and teaches Math and Geography. She has traveled in 43 states and so many other places that it's like the index of an atlas. Helen Clarke got out of Paris just before the Nazis came in. She is now living in Mansfield Center, Conn., with her mother.

We have had no word from nearly half of the class; so let's hear from you before next time. Oh, yes, I'm still on the farm. We've kept very busy this summer, and now winter activities are beginning. My oldest daughter, Amy (Jr.), is planning to go to C. C. in another year. Harriet is a Sophomore at High, Alice is in the eighth grade, and Julius is at home working on the farm.

1923

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

If any of you feels very rushed these days, take a second out to read of Jessie Bigelow Martin's three jobs, and relax. She is Editor of Publications at George Washington University and also holds a highly technical and exacting part time position as editor with the Social Security Board. "On the side," she writes, "there are three children, a home, a dog, a cat, and odd bits of war work." Watch the *New York Herald-Tribune* for letters on foreign policy by Harold C. Bailey (Helen Avery's husband). I have read two of them so far. Maya Johnson Schmuck's attractive daughter, Nancy, fifteen, is a student at Rogers Hall this year and expects to go to C. C. Johnny is at the adorable age of three and a half, just Donnie's age; and we had a wonderful visit with them at Nantucket in August.

Our class boy, Beecher Davis Gold, Jr., now in the Marine Air Force, has just been married to Jane Truesdale Struthers in Jacksonville, Florida. He was attended by his brother, Thomaston, Aviation Cadet in Reserve. Helen Higgins Bunyan is mother of Ann Bunyan, who is now a freshman at C.C. and living in Grace Smith House.

Emily Slaymaker Leith-Ross has taken a position as tennis coach at the Holmquist School in Bucks Co., Pa.

where her daughter, Bunny, is a student. Nellie Le Witt was on campus recently with her young cousin, a prospective student. Dorothy Dean Gardenier ex'23 writes: "I have two sons in the service—H. Calvin Gardenier, Jr., an Aviation Cadet, now taking his final pilot training and Edward Dean Gardenier, now training to be a gunner in the Navy. I am still an interviewer in the personnel department of the Eclipse-Pioneer Aviation Branch of the Bendix Corporation at Teterboro, N. J."

1924

DOROTHEA CRAMER, *Correspondent*, 113 Pearl St., Torrington, Conn.

The class of '24 owes a vote of thanks to Kay Hardwick Latimer and Kathryn Moss for the intensely interesting Paper Reunion which they compiled. Our treasurer, Madeline Foster Conklin, reports that the treasury is in a solvent state with a balance of \$88.80 after making the \$225 gift for a moving picture of the college. Forty-two girls paid the five dollars, one paid an extra five, and six paid varying amounts. Eileen Fitzgerald, Elizabeth Wigfall Root, and Kathryn Moss helped Maddie in the arduous job of persuading us to pay our class dues.

Along with her treasurer's report Maddie sends news that her son, Foster, enrolled at Deerfield Academy this fall. Ellen McCandless Britton's husband is now a lieutenant colonel serving in Europe. Our president, Elinor Hunken Torpey, writes that she has seen Gloria Hollister Anable this summer. Hunken developed bursitis in her right shoulder from a fall and was laid up for a month but is back in her routine of Scouting, League of Women Voting, and house-working. She has recently had charge of a Service Men's party given by our New York College Club at the Hotel Biltmore. From Northampton Harriet Warner writes that she spent her summer at the University of Oregon Extension summer session, teaching three courses in Education. She "visited several ship-building plants and launchings, sojourned in Los Angeles, and topped off with a brief interlude in Mexico City."

Peg Call Ladd sends a card from Silver Spring, Md., telling of her attempt at a victory garden which proved a success despite the worst drought in Maryland in twenty years. She and her husband spent some of their vacation in St. Johnsbury, Vt.,

and the remainder in their shack at Sherwood Forest near Annapolis. Early in the summer Peg spent a day with Genie Walsh Bent and had a grand visit. Marion Armstrong is the new Assistant Guidance Director at the Woodrow Wilson High School in Middletown, Conn., besides teaching Latin. She is also president of the local branch of the A.A.U.W.

1926

KATHERINE COLGROVE, *Correspondent*, 164 Prospect St., Waterbury, Conn.

Birth: To Harriet Gillette Reynolds, a daughter, Sarah Jean, on June 1 at San Gabriel, Calif.

The accounts of war work undertaken by '26 are most enlightening. Courses taken by a number of persons include: Home nursing, First aid (2 persons are acting as instructors), Nurses' aide, Nutrition, Air Warden, Radio theory. Red Cross activities include: staff work, surgical dressings, bandage making, knitting, motor corps, canteen work. Several reported work at air raid warning centers as air raid wardens and as airplane spotters. Others reported work in relief organizations and social agencies. Still others work at the U.S.O. and at information centers for servicemen. Maddy Smith Gibson and Margie Ebsen spend several hours a week at the information desk at the Times Square Servicemen's Center. Edna Smith Thistle is chief registrar in the emergency mobile unit in New Jersey. Connie Clapp directs a vacation church school in a war housing center for children of defense workers. Many others report full days at work in war plants or in caring for their families and adjusting their lives to the countless problems of running a household in wartime.

Helen Hood Diefendorf writes of herself: "We have entered our four children in the Newton (New Jersey) schools so now feel that this is our home—at least for the duration. Our livestock has increased until we now have 74 cows, 27 pigs, 200 chickens, 15 turkeys, and several cats and dogs. We turn over half a ton of milk a day. My job has been the garden, the canning, and the poultry. This summer Gretchen (aged 7) and I went to visit Robert and Carolyn, who were at camp, and on the way stopped to visit Barbara Brooks Bixby and Chet and their children, Elizabeth and Benjamin. They all joined us for a nice day at Lake Sunapee."

Dorothy Bidwell Clark ex'26 is now living in East Hartford. Besides caring for her home and two children (a girl, 12 and a boy, 10) she is full-time secretary in the branch office of the YMCA-YWCA in East Hartford and part-time secretary of the Council of Social Agencies. Her husband is an instructor at Brainard Field. Jean Gillette Smith, who has two sons, aged 9 and 12, is living in Rock Island, Ill. She has a full-time job with the rationing board, of which she says laconically, "It is quite mathematical and I majored in English." Dorothy Brooks Cobb has left Burlington, Vt. and is now at Winchester House, Scarsdale, N. Y. Her husband is connected with a New York publishing house. Evelyn Sherman Grumman ex'26 has three sons and a daughter. Her oldest son (aged 14) has been awarded a scholarship at the Peddie School in Hightstown, N. J. Ruth McCaslin Eager has finished her secretarial course and now has a position in Concord, N. H.

Larry Ferris Ayres went to San Diego, Calif., in August to visit her husband, a major in the marines. Kitty King Karslake and her four children spent the summer in Chautauqua with her family. Ellie Whittier Abbott vacationed at Ogunquit, Maine. Barbara Bell Crouch and family spent the summer at their cottage at Groton Long Point. Bella Rifkind Levin ex'26 reports that she is now living in Brooklyn, N. Y. She has a twelve year old daughter, Theodora. Marjorie Northrop Rutili ex'26 is living at 2099 Robinson Road S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich., and has two children.

1927

BARBARA TRACY COOGAN, *Correspondent*, 236 Greendale Ave., Needham Heights, 94, Mass.

1927 welcomes all the newcomers to its second generation! In Middlebury, Conn. Norman Howard was born on June 23 to Annise Clark Hill. He has two sisters, Connie and Christine. Marjorie Halsted Heffron of Franklin, Mass. announced her third child, Nancy Joyce, born July 24. Midge's Beth and Frank are pleased, and Beth is old enough to help with the baby. From Potsdam, N. Y. came word from Mildred Beardsley Stiles of a third daughter, Emily. On July 26 Louise Claire was born to Harriet Taylor La Montagne. Harriet writes she has thus ended her teaching career and begun

this new phase of her married life in a "pretty woodsy location" called Birchcroft. The address is P. O. Box 30, Palmer, Mass. Are there more additions to the cradle roll?

Lucy Barker Keddie, whom I discovered living in nearby Wellesley Hills (18 Hawthorne Rd.) came with her family to picnic with us early in the summer. Her husband, Jimmy, manages the sales of *Journeys Through Bookland*. Ann, their daughter, is in the fifth grade and shares her mother's interest in the piano. Grace Trappan, librarian at Portland, Maine, has purchased a farm on an island off Portland. Her mother and sister spent the summer there. Betty Leeds Watson, who is a secretary at Boston University, has transferred to the military department with the R.O.T.C. She has moved to a different apartment at 193 Tremont St., Newton, Mass. Betty visited Sally Barber Pierce this summer. The Pierces have moved to Norwich, Conn., where Raymond is superintendent of a milk and ice cream plant of a local dairy. The three daughters—Elvira-Anne 10, Nancy 8, and Sally-Jane 4—are enjoying the new home with its acre of woodsy land on the outskirts of town towards New London. Lois Abbott and her family have purchased a small Connecticut farm. Lois, still an eager language student, has added a half-acre vegetable garden and 200 pet hens to her enthusiasms.

Mitzie Watchinsky Peck with her two children has moved to 198-12 111th Ave., Hollis, Long Island to join her husband, who has been working in New York for about a year.

1928

BETTY GALLUP RIDLEY, *Correspondent*, Box 326, 22 Westford St., Chelmsford, Mass.

The Class of 1928 extends its best wishes and full cooperation to our new president, Dr. Dorothy Schaffter!

Hilda Van Horn Rickenbaugh writes from Birmingham, Mich. that for the past year she has been an instructor for the Red Cross in Nutrition and Canteen. That, with her two children (Kent, 5 and Ann, 11), her house and garden, keeps her busy. Rick is Merchandising Manager at Cadillac Motor and is also doing Industrial Relations work. Hilda says that Toots Foote Denison is active in Cleveland Red Cross and Garden Club work. She has two boys, 8 and

11. She and Hilda get together every two years or so. Eleanor Wood Frazier was in New London in the summer visiting Navy friends and was amazed at the changes on campus. She is trying to track down a long lost fund of '28, so if any of you have any information concerning our financial status will you let her or me know?

I was in Washington in July for a vacation and talked with Karla King. Everything was well with her and her family. Chick is stationed at present in Washington. She told me Edna Kelley is working in the Pentagon Building, having left *National Geographic* for government work. If you read this, Kelley, you might like to know that my niece, Lois Maher, who worked with you at *National Geographic*, was aghast when I told her we were classmates. "Why, Edna isn't that old," she said. I also talked with Mary Storer Brooks '27. Bob is doing government work during a leave of absence from Williams, and Mary is longing for a return to the quiet and peace of Williamstown. I expect by the next deadline in January I will have received notes from all of you giving me the latest news—or is there only one like Hilda in '28?

1929

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

Hope everyone had a grand summer. The Sidmans spent five gorgeous weeks at the Jersey shore and came back home ready for a big winter. My youngest daughter, Sandra Jane, aged 5, claims she really does things in the first grade. Her sister, Shirley Ann, aged 9, is full of enthusiasm as a tenderfoot Girl Scout. Helen Minckler became Mrs. Theodore Dawson this summer and is living in Messena. Both she and her husband are working at the Aluminum Co. of America. Peg Burroughs Kohr and her husband recently spent a week up in Montreal and saw Helen and Ted for a weekend.

Fran Wells Vroom says Barbara, aged 5, loves kindergarten. Fran tells me that Winnie Link Stewart has moved to 321 Lakeview Ave., Rockville Center, L. I. Ruth Ackerman is doing secretarial work at the Alison Co. in Beverly Hills, Calif., where she has been since April, 1939. Get out the brass band! We have an ensign in our midst. Yes, Edith Simon-ton was commissioned an ensign in the U.S.N.R. on March 2 and was

assigned to Hunter College. Shirley Vogel Land writes: "My engagement to Ensign William J. Cregan was announced in June. I expect to be married sometime this winter."

1930

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

Marriages: Adelaide Finch to John Royle, June 23, in Ramsay, N. J., with Tommy Tomlinson as maid of honor. Maidda Stevens to Louis Mauro, June 30. They are living at 9 Rock Road, Montowese, Conn., and Maidda is continuing her teaching at Meriden High School. Evelyn Utley to Ralph Keeler on July 15. They are living at 67 Glenbrook Rd., Stamford.

A note from Gwen Thomen Sherman in June said that she and her family were enjoying a new Newfoundland dog—their third in six months. Her war work consisted in raising the younger generation—P. T. A., Sunday School, and transportation to and from school. Betty Webster Hinman and her husband had also heard that Pinky Bertschy Jackson was in Dayton while her husband was in camp in Wisconsin. Gwen's husband had visited with Fanny Young Sawyer's husband in Cleveland and they were well.

Mildred Meyer Doran (Mrs. James A.), 1664 Fairfield St., Teaneck, N. J., and her baby Susan (aged eight months) are holding down the homestead while her husband is in the Army Air Force. Mary Kidde Morgan (Mrs. Walter E.) ex'30, 47 Glen Ridge Pkwy., Glen Ridge, N. J., has three children: Louise Elizabeth, 12, in 7th grade; Elsa Ann, 9½, in 4th grade; and Walter Edward 3rd, eight, in 3rd grade.

Helen Weil Elfenbein (Mrs. A. E.), 83 Lower Blvd., New London, Conn., is busy with her family consisting of Betsy, 9, Billy, 6, and "Bones." Frances Kelly Carrington (Mrs. Monroe), Squash Hollow Farm, New Milford, Conn., has been employed since Nov., 1942 as Clothing Supervisor of the Southbury Training School, Southbury, Conn. Marian Ransom, 97 Chestnut St., East Orange, N. J., writes that she will soon reach her 13th anniversary with the Prudential Insurance Company, and still finds her work interesting.

Elizabeth Hartshorn had a summer position in the Personnel Department of Robert Gair Co., Inc., Un-

casville, Conn., and was called Clerk-General. She says it was plenty general, but most interesting. Uffie Cooper Carroll and her children spent the summer with her family and sister at Saybrook, Conn. Bianca Ryley Bradbury and her children are leaving New Milford and taking a house near Mystic, Conn. Since Brad is now in service, the Bradburys decided to pull up stakes and have sold their home in New Milford. The Bradbury address is now: R.F.D. No. 1, Stonington, Conn.

On my way through New Hampshire this summer, I stopped in Concord for a short visit with Meg Jackman Gesen and her children. They are all busy and very proud of Carl, who is now a commander in the Navy. Ruth Barry Hildebrandt (Mrs. F. Dean) is living at 2724 Harrison St., Evanston, Ill., and has two sons—Dean, ten, and Barry, seven.

1931

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

The lack of 1931 news in the last issue was obvious; forty personally written cards were not answered. Evidently the following have new addresses. If you know even one address, will you please send it either to the Alumnae Office or to me? Elizabeth Clifton Ray, Harriet Bahney Wylie, Mary Geier Brigham, Dorothy Hare, Helene Moore, Mary More Harrieff, Elizabeth Pyper Bauer, Margaret Rood McLean, Carol Swisher Williams, Lois Truesdale Gaspar, Jeanette Warriner Cleaver, Elizabeth Clo, Marjorie Disbro Fichthorn, Jeanette Greenough Yedinack, Marjorie Platz Murphy, Jean Satterthwaite Scott, Elizabeth Smith Snezy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. MacGlashan announced the birth of their third child, David Bruce, May 19. Mrs. MacGlashan is Edith Schneider. Margherita Swanson was married on September 11 to Andrew Leo, assistant manager of Wiggins Airport in Norwood, Mass. They are moving in October to Canton, Mass. Anna Co-frances Guida's doctor husband is now serving in the U.S.N.R. as lieutenant. Kay Bradley (Mrs. Andrew B. Wallace, III) is serving as hospital aid at the Wesson Maternity Hospital and also as a volunteer for Travelers' Aid. Her husband is a captain in Springfield Ordnance.

Jeannette Shidle (Mrs. T. K. Morris, Jr.) lives at 10 Crescent St.,

Warren, Pa., where her husband is district traffic superintendent for the telephone company. Gretchen Shidle was married last May to Robert D. Martin. The Martins live at 5624 Forbes St., Pittsburgh. Elinor Wells Smith writes of being "just a housewife" with a ten year old son, Red Cross work, gardening, and canning.

Iz Rielely Armington is program chairman for a Mothers' Club group. Jo Lincoln's father has said some interesting and intelligent things on the subjects of incentive pay (quoted in *Reader's Digest*) and renegotiation of government contracts (in the paper printed by the American Manufacturers' Association). Jo and Howard Morris have organized a square dancing group of fifty couples who are looking forward to six dances, complete with caller, orchestra, and food. Jo has planned a fine program for her P.T.A. group.

Last year I was a P.T.A. program chairman, and I am presiding this year. My husband, William Fennell, as house counsel for Commercial Solvents, Commercial Alcohol, and Commercial Molasses, is busy with the legal angle of supplying the government with various war necessities. Frances Ayen Osgood (Mrs. Frederick M.) has a daughter, Judith Ayen, who is now two years old. Elizabeth May Williams (Mrs. Richard G.) ex'31 writes: "We're still running a sheep and poultry farm. We have one daughter, Marian Alice, aged 4." Toot Holley Spangler keeps busy with her three daughters: Rilla aged 6, Rachel 4, and Holley 5 months.

1932

New Address: Eleanor Sherman Vincent (Mrs. Robert K.), 2632 Lakeview Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

1933

JERRY WERTHEIMER, *Correspondent*, 6132 Kingsbury Blvd., St. Louis 12, Mo.

Births: To Virginia Vail Lavino, a third son, Stephen Vail, born April 16. To Sunny Ray Stewart, a 7 lb 8 oz. son, John Frederick, on April 25. To Marion Agnew Kirk, a son, James Agnew, born in March, making the sum total in that household two boys and one girl.

Addresses: Elizabeth Overton Bryan (Mrs. William W., Jr.), 510 Monroe St., Easton, Pa. Esther Barlow, 118 Beacon St., Portland, Me. Margaret Mills, 90 Kelsey St., Wat-

erbury, Conn. Katharine Bonney, 30 Chester St., Stamford, Conn.

Jessie Wachenheim Burack writes that, with her four year old daughter, nurses' aide, and civilian patrol, she keeps busy while her husband is overseas. Ruth Ferree Wessel's husband is a pfc. in the Army Air Corps. If he ever lights anywhere long enough to make it worthwhile, Ruth and her nine months old daughter, Jane, will join him. Nancy Smedley ex'33 (315 E. Wadsworth Ave., Mt. Airy, Philadelphia 19, Pa.) is in training at the Coast Guard Academy for an officer in the SPARS. Alma Skilton Yates finds young Jeffrey "a full time job—and an interesting one." Frances Greco Benjamin (Mrs. Albert E.) is living at 5923 Marnat Rd., Baltimore 8, Md. and has a son, Albert Edward, Jr., born in January. Judith Epstein Routman is living at 54 S. Myers Ave., Sharon, Pa. and has two daughters.

Vivian Schlemmer, now an ensign in the WAVES, writes: "I joined the WAVES last November and have been stationed in the Bureau of Ships in Washington since December. It has been a great satisfaction to be in uniform and to feel that one is doing all in her power to serve our country." I have been absorbed lately in a new job as manager of a cooperative liberal book shop but hope to get some news for this column on my next trip to New York. Meantime, keep me posted, please!

1934

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

Births: A second son, John Peter, to Jean Berger Whitelaw in June. A daughter, Anne Moray, to Florence Baylis Skelton on August 28. Babe also has two boys. Address: 10 Springdale Ct., Greensboro, N. C. A son, James Walter, to Millicent Waghorn Cass in the spring. Address: 17th St., Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Addresses: Lucille Austin Cutler, 44 Fernwood Rd., W. Hartford, Conn. (temporary). Her husband is a lieutenant j.g. in the Navy. Emily Benedict Halverson has moved back to R. D. 2, Troy, N. Y. to live with her mother while her husband is in the Army overseas. Louise Hill Corliss is back again at 47 S. Pine Ave., Albany, N. Y.

Andy Crocker has finished training at Children's Hospital in Boston. After state board exams, she is planning to join the Army Nurse Corps

and will work at Children's in the meantime. Address: 3 Blackfan St., Boston, Mass. Dorothy Luer Saylor was busy during the flood last spring. Her twin daughters are four now and full of mischief. They still live at 1500 Henry St., Alton, Ill. Dorothy Smith Denby and Edna Kent Nerney vacationed next door to each other in New Hampshire, and one day in Wolfboro met Camille Sams Lightner. Dorothy says she read in the paper that Grace Cavin is teaching in the high school in Barrington, R. I. Betsy Turner Gilfillan, back in Media, Pa., is doing substitute teaching in the local high school.

1935

MARGARET WATSON O'NEILL, *Correspondent*, R.F.D. 1, Darlington, Md.

Births: To Rose Camassar Kushner, a son, Jeffrey Kushner, on May 28. To Jill Albree Child, a son, Howard Olmstead Child II, on July 22.

My husband was transferred back to the States very suddenly, and we are now all together again living on a farm here in Maryland. It's quite an experience for me; and, aside from the fact that our nearest neighbor is a mile away and Bill is only home about one night a week, I'm really making out quite nicely—even to taking care of the chickens our landlady left us. This summer I saw Maude Rademan Hickey a couple of times. They have bought a farm in Chesterfield, N. H., but though it is very close to Keene, gas rationing prevented our getting together much. Maude has two grand boys—6 and 3. She told me that Pat Parkhurst Orcutt's husband is in the Navy, and Pat has two children—a boy about 5 and a girl born last November. Pat is now at home with her folks—133 First Ave., Gloversville, N. Y.

Ruth Lambert Bromberg is working as a child psychologist at the Children's Aid Society and Catholic Charities in Pittsburgh, Pa. She says she's there for the duration—then back to Chicago where their home is. Bobbie Birney has become Chief of Civilian Personnel for Ft. MacArthur in San Pedro and says it is a real job—hiring, firing, and otherwise looking out for some 500 employees—best luck to you, Bobbie! Dora Steinfeld, Mrs. Arthur Wingate Todd, now has two children—Ann Viney Todd, 8 months (named after great, great grandmother who ran a paddle

wheel trading boat on Ohio River and Mississippi), and James Wingate Todd, just 2 years old.

1936

PATRICIA HALL STATON, *Correspondent*, 111 W. 11th St., N. Y. C.

Marriages: Virginia Bowen to Joseph E. Wilcox at Lake Roukouwaka, L. I., on July 3. Her husband is a private in the Army. Mary Schoen to Francis Manion on July 14. Address: 866½ S. Mariposa Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Margaret Woodbury to Walter M. Thomas on October 2.

Births: To David and Dorothea Watson (Dorothea Holley), a son, David John, on March 6. To Robert and Arlene Stoughton (Arlene Goettler), a son, David Goettler, on July 5.

Addresses: Evelyn Kelly Head (Mrs. Raymond), 245 Pleasant St., Laconia, N. H. Alys Griswold Haman (Mrs. John K.), Old Lyme, Conn.

Phine Pratt Lumb (Mrs. James L.) sent a nice note describing herself as a busy mother these days with a son Stephen, aged 4, and a daughter Barbara, aged 1. A clipping about Gretchen Schwan says she is secretary to the American Red Cross field director in New Caledonia. She loves her work and has a new luxury—a Hot Shower! Agatha McGuire Daghlion is moving to Rochester, N. Y. in November, where her husband, Phil, will teach English at the University. Arline Goettler Stoughton is living in Bristol, Conn., where her husband is teaching history at the high school.

1937

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

Marriages: Marion Taylor to Sgt. Everett E. Phelon of Hartford, on Sept. 11. Dorothy Waring to William W. Smith on April 30. Bill is in research work in Philadelphia. Dot has given up her teaching at German-town Friends School and Haverford Friends School.

Births: To Ellen Cronbach Friedman a daughter, Leigh, on Feb. 18. To Betty Gilbert Gehle a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, on Aug. 30. To Betty Schlesinger Wagner a son, Charles Kenyon, on March 11. To Doris Wheeler Oliver a daughter, Dorinda Jane, on June 6. To Peg Ross Stephan a son, Walter. Peg's husband is Superintendent of the Aultman Hospital in Canton, Ohio. The Stephans'

backyard adjoins that of the Schreibers (Barbara Fawcett); and young Jamie Stephan, 2½, and Ralph Schreiber, 3½, have a great time together.

Charlotte Calwell Stokes ex'37 has two young sons, Francis J., Jr. and Charles Calwell. Address: Ardmore Ave., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia 18. Harriet Brown Bickford's daughter, Steffine, is 3½ now and Skipper is 8 months old. Husband Al is an Army Captain. Lucille Cate Hull ex'37 is with Prudential Life in Boston while her husband is in the Army overseas. Helen O'Brien Halstead is with the J. Walter Thompson Advertising Agency in N. Y. C. while George is in the Army. Shirley Cohen Schrager has been promoted to First Lieutenant in the WAC and is now executive officer of a company at Madison Barracks, N. Y. We hear that Marjorie Webb is also in the WAC.

Betty Adams Lane and young son are with her family while her Navy husband is on duty. Virginia Deuel writes of her promotion to Manager of the American Airlines city ticket office in the Hotel Statler, Buffalo. She says Emmy Moore is vacationing from the West Coast in Hartford, New York, and Boston. Ginny ran into Joan Blair's brother, Jack, at the Park Lane in Buffalo recently. Edie Burnham is enthusiastic as she begins her fourth year as secretary to the Master of Silliman College at Yale. Edie is making a special point of visiting classmates this winter and has already seen Emroy Carlough Roehrs and Grace Bosco Cunningham ex'37, both of whose husbands are in service. Edie says Lee Gilson Williams is back home with her young son while her husband is in the Army. Evelyn Miller, now an ensign in the WAVES, has recently been assigned to duty at San Diego.

1938

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

Congratulations to those who have interesting new jobs! Dorothea Bartlett, having received her Master's degree from Columbia this year, is now chief dietitian at Memorial Hospital, Nashua, N. H. Anne Oppenheim Freed, a Community Analyst with the War Relocation Authority, has been working in Newell, California. Anna Louise Baier is teaching history in the high school at Chester, Conn. Carmen Palmer von Bremen is on the

Food Staff of *McCall's Magazine*. Joan Roberts has a position on a ranch in Tucson, Arizona.

Our Cradle Roll continues to grow, mostly with second children now. Some are a year old, but we didn't hear about them earlier. Audrey Krause Mason has a son, Thomas Ernst, born on September 14, 1942. Betty Talbot Smith's son, David Oliver, is a year old. Betty Wagner Knowlton's son, John Hayden, was born on October 25, 1942. Katherine Andrews Bird has a daughter, Ann Hanley. Joan Kier Luttrell's Peggy is now a year old. Mary McClusky Seebold has a son born on September 1, 1943. Margaret Muloch Bannister reports a son, Hulbert Muloch, born October 28, 1942. Kay Caldwell Nichols's daughter, Kay, was born on July 17 last. Peg Gifford has a daughter, Phyllis Ann, born last February 26. I have also heard that Eleanor Robertson Trout, who is now living in Manchester, Conn., has two boys. Edith Wyman Tupper has a boy and a girl.

1939

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

Thanks to Kathryn Moss, I have quite a bit of news about "the thirtyniners!" First, the children: Ruth Wilson Cass had her second daughter, Debbie, born in June. Ruth and Tom are still living near Chicago. Bets Parcells Arms' second son, David Salter, arrived July 2. She and Chuck have moved into a new *whole* house in Cleveland. Helen Gardiner Heitz has a son, Jeffrey Gardiner, born September 17. His father is an Aviation Cadet in training at Sikeston, Mo.; so Helen is living with her family in Columbus. Virginia Walton Magee and Major James C. Magee announced the birth of Virginia Carre Magee on September 9. Polly Salom is Mrs. Lloyd W. Stevens and has a daughter born on January 28. Dorothy Whipple Robinson has a son, Teddy, three years old and a baby, Tommy, five months old. Dobie and her family are living in Washington, where Jay is working in the Office of Strategic Services. Nini Cocks Millard's son, Stanley R., Jr., was born last April 29. Happy Gray Burger with three-year-old daughter, Julie Gray, is with her husband in South Carolina, where he is an officer at an air base. Libby Taylor Irwin has two children—Lynn Perry, born on January 27, 1942, and Henry Taylor Ir-

win III, born July 10, 1943. Hank is a lieutenant. Caroline Sutherland Hartman has a daughter, Caroline, born last January. Her husband is an Army captain "somewhere in England."

Helen Kreider is engaged to S. Sgt. Charles M. Belmer of the U. S. Army Air Force, who is now a prisoner of war in Germany. Helen is employed by the American Red Cross and loves the work. Pokey Hadley is doing recreational work with the Red Cross. She is, at this writing, a trainee stationed at Fort Eustis, Va. Ruth Broadhead Heintz, husband, and son, Teddy, have moved back to New Rochelle from St. Louis. Her address is 193 Mayflower Avenue. Elizabeth Jordan is employed by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York (140 Broadway) in the Corporate Administration Department of the Corporate Trust Division.

Gertrude Clark Daniels is a Sergeant in the WAC. She joined last December and is now in charge of the Visual Aids Department at the Army Administration School for the WAC located on the campus of Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College in Richmond, Ky. Florence Rankin is a secretary to the Director of a Governmental Research Institute in Hartford. Another member of the WAC is Mary Elizabeth Baldwin. She is a Private, now stationed at Fort McClellan, Ala. And by the time you all read this, I shall be married to Captain Louis William Nie, Medical Corps, U. S. Army. Catherine Ake will be maid of honor; and Jean Lyon Loomis, whose husband, Chet, is in Africa with the Air Force, and Mary Chapman Mathes, whose husband, Jim, is an Ensign in the Navy, expect to come "West" for the event! Address: 11115 Lake Ave., Apt. 208, Cleveland, O.

1940

MARY GIESE GOFF, *Correspondent*, 34 Livermore Rd., Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Marriages: Helen Minnie Bernard to Robert West (Ensign, U.S.N.R.) on June 12. C.C. bridesmaids were Sue Vaughan, Alice Mendenhall, Mary Ann Scott Johnson, Kate Wilbur Lahm. Also present for a C.C. reunion were Kay Kirk Landes, Helen Stott Heisler, and Hallie Fairbank Sether. Harriet Rice to James R. Strain on June 19. Mr. Strain is in the Navy submarine service.

Births: To Libbie Barron Ding-

man, a son, Carleton Gage, on March 12. To Florence McKemie Glass, a daughter, Louise Meriwether. To Hallie Fairbank Sether, a daughter, Susan, on March 29. To Helene Bosworth Shepard, a daughter, Susan, in June. To Beryl Sprouse Cochran, a daughter, Beryl. To Evie McGill Aldrich, a son, Thomas Ross Aldrich III, on June 22. To Mickey Rice Holt, a daughter, Carla, on July 30. To Ann Hardy Autell, a daughter, Patricia, on July 19. To Polly Frank Shank, a son, John Martin Shank, Jr., on August 12.

Liz Gilbert Wild writes that she has been seeing a lot of Edna Headley Offield, who is living in Santa Monica, California. She also ran into Helen Biggs Brown somewhere on the coast. Liz has recently moved to San Francisco. Hallie Fairbank Sether reports that Beryl Sprouse Cochran is living at home with her daughter and her parents, as her husband is with the RAF. Wendell Sether is also overseas with the OWI. Also at home again in Worcester, Mass., is Anahid Berberian Constantian, whose husband is in the medical corps of the Air Force. While traveling a la Army around the country, Anahid ran into Ann Hardy Autell in Alexandria, Louisiana. Ann is now living in Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Petty Warner Doerr has a house in Norfolk, Va. Her husband is a lieutenant (j.g.) on sea duty; so Petty lives most of the time alone with her year-old daughter, Kathie. Deb Curtis Henry is a housewife in Florida, where her husband is a Coast Guard instructor. Deb's address is 164 Marine St., St. Augustine. Mim Brooks Butterworth reports that she and her husband have adopted a 19 year old Nisei girl. We are very sorry to report that Katy Partridge Post's husband in the Air Force has been reported missing in the European theater of war. Our very deep sympathy is with Katy, who is expecting a baby in January. Lieut. Betty Morton, WAC, is stationed at Lockbourne Air Base in Columbus, Ohio, as Executive Officer in the WAC company. She writes that it is a wonderful place and living there has given her a chance for reunions with Helen Gardiner Hietz '39 and Jane Loewer Butler, who is at home in Columbus with her baby.

Connie Buckley is back at C.C. as part-time assistant in the Art Department and secretary in the infirmary. The Irishes and the Goffs (Eleanor

Timms Irish and Mary Giese Goff) spent a wonderful weekend together at Timmy and Henry's house at Corona Del-Mar, California, while Henry Irish was temporarily at Santa Ana Air Base and Harry was at Pomona Ordnance Base. Natalie Klivans Morganstern is living at 821 S. Steele St., Denver 9, Colo. Her husband is stationed at the University of Denver on the administrative force for the College Training detachment. Nat is making herself useful by organizing a Student Wives Group for the wives of cadets. She is helping the young wives find accommodations and jobs, and is also working on entertainment and educational projects for them. Helene Bosworth Shepard is also in Denver with a cute house and a baby about six months old. Nat reports that Virginia Clark Binger is in Miami with her Navy husband.

Thanks, everyone, for sending in so much news—please keep us posted on all new developments. Goodbye until Spring!

1941

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

Engagements: Of prime importance, and one reason why the paper reunion is so far behind schedule, is the engagement of Janey Fletcher to Ensign Anthony V. Ellrodt, stationed in San Diego, Calif. Elizabeth Sawyer ex'41 to George Rose, who is on duty in the South Pacific.

Marriages: Doris Goldstein to Benjamin A. Levinson. They must be living in New London, since he is connected with the Electric Boat Company. Sybil Ward to Richard Smith on September 11. They will live in Glastonbury, Conn. Eleanor Fuller to Ensign Hal Skinner on July 10. Connie Hillery Murcott, Lu Horan, Uffie De Yoe, and Ruth Doyle were all bridesmaids. Connie Smith was married to Bill Applegate on July 31 with Betty Rome Poor and Betty Holmes as bridesmaids. July 17 was the big day for Harriett Leib. She was married to Lieut. Albert A. Garofalo, a lawyer when there isn't a war on. A letter from Peg La Fore states that she has been Mrs. Allen Rogers Moltzen since last January 19. Why don't people tell me these things! She sees Ensign Betty Smith quite often. Betty is stationed in Washington, D. C. for the duration. Peg's address is 2659 Connecticut Ave., Washington, D. C.,

N. W. On October 9 Ensign Margaret J. Kerr became Mrs. Edgar S. Miller, Jr. Lieut. Miller is a naval officer stationed at the East Boston Airport. Their address is 48 Florence St., Wollaston, Mass.

Births: Ginny Newberry Leech now has a second daughter, Suzanne Gene, born August 25. A daughter, Carla, was born to Lieut. and Mrs. Richard L. White (Carla Eakin) on September 21. Their address, by the way, is 1912 Oak St., Lawton, Okla. Mary Lou Sharpless Swift has a son, Hugh, who is now eight months old. To Oscar and Lee Harrison Mayer, a son, Oscar Harrison, born on September 24. Allayne Claire Wick was born on September 2 (at 4 p.m.) to Douglas and Allayne Ernst Wick. To Henry and Louise Stevenson Anderson, a girl, Marcia Louise, on June 17. Mary Emily Pettengill ex'41, now Mrs. Porter Smith-Petersen, had a son, David, on September 26. Among other should-be arrivals are numbered Peg Munsell Palmer's baby and that of Helen Arline Jones Coster. However, I haven't heard from either of them.

Phyllis Walters Stover writes that she is busy being domestic with a child and a house to take care of. However, she does see Thyrsa Magnus Beall and her husband Bill for bridge once in a while. Claire Haines has changed her job and is now taking the place of an interne at the Allegheny General Hospital. She has a title "Serology Technician." Gene Mercer is still working for Batton, Barton, Durstine & Osborne in Philadelphia. She writes that Dutch van Houten is with the SPARS in Seattle, and Bobby Yohe Williams is with her husband at Ft. Meyers. Linnea Paavola is also with the Navy. She took top honors in a class of 110 and is now an Aerographer's Mate 3c stationed at the Naval Air Station in Glenview, Ill. Phyl Sheriffs Harrington is going to a school for lady welders, so now '41 will be represented in all branches of war work.

By carrier pigeon comes word that Mary Ann Smith of the *Hartford Courant* got an interview with General Henri Giraud when he was in Montreal. That gal certainly gets around! Jane Holbrook has set herself up in business as a free lance surgical photographer, although still retaining her job with the Massachusetts General Hospital. She's offered to draw my liver for free. Kay Ord McChesney is now at home to all

callers at 307 Central Drive, Fayetteville, N. C. Priscilla Duxbury is working for the League of Women Voters. She does secretarial work in the Boston office and travels all over New England to various other offices the rest of the time.

Beth Main Chandler stopped over in New York for half a day; and Marcia Wiley, Brad Langdon, and yours truly all had a hilarious luncheon together. Beth was on her way back to Nashville, Tenn. to join Minot. Marilyn Klein Pratt's husband Tracy is now in the Marines, and Mal is starting work for the *Reader's Digest*. Lee Barry Wilderrotter is finally settled in Arkansas for the winter. Address: 4110 Chaffee Drive, Ft. Smith, Ark. Mary Ware writes that she is to become an invalid for three and a half months while she has her sacro-iliac remodeled by surgery. She will be at the New York Orthopaedic Hospital. Sue Fleisher is also laid up in the hospital. She sustained a fractured spine when she fell off a horse. She is at the University Hospital of Philadelphia and says that no permanent disabilities are anticipated. A speedy recovery to you both!

1942

NANCY WOLFE HUGHES, *Correspondent*, Quarry Ridge, Station Rd., Centerville, O.

A letter from Connie Bleeker Blayney in June reported that she and Paul were at Camp Shelby, where he is a second lieutenant. Fran Hutchinson Knight wrote in the same month that Howie had departed on active duty and she was holding down the fort at home.

Josephine Hinds ex'42 wrote an interesting account of her activities after leaving Connecticut. She went to Katie Gibbs (N. Y.) for a year, then worked in the advertising department of General Shaver Corp., a division of Remington-Rand. After eight months there, she went to the N. Y., N. H., and Hartford Railroad Co. as secretary to Counsel and assistant Counsel in the Law Department, where she remained until last June, when she was accepted in the WAVES. She went to Hunter College for her boot training. In July, she was sent to Washington, D. C., and has nothing but high praise for her life as a WAVE. Jo claims that their living quarters, recreational facilities, and food are wonderful, and the work is interesting and varied. In fact, I would guess that Jo is trying

to urge that more of us consider entering that service.

On June 26 Peter Frey became Mrs. Rolliston Linscott, Jr., and took up residence in Pocahontas, Arkansas, with her air cadet husband who, incidentally, was her brother Frank's Dartmouth roommate. They are now living at 1902 W. Main St., Dothan, Ala., where Rollie will receive his wings as a pursuit pilot at the end of November. Another June bride was Jan Kane, who married Ensign Ken Applegate, Navy flyer, on June 5. Her sister, Marian, and Jean Grant ex'42 attended her, and Bobbie Brengle Wriston hopped up for the ceremony. They are living at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Manteo, N. C. They share a neat little cottage right on a beach with two other couples. Tough, eh?

On June 28, Faith Maddock von Maur and Jack celebrated the birth of their second child, a daughter named Susan. Three days later, Faith's old roomie, Marj Meyer Riviere presented proud papa Nick with a daughter Suzanne. Any similarity in names is purely coincidental. Ginnie Hadley Bowersox, residing at 5129 Benton Hts., Baltimore, Md., writes that she was unable to return the paper reunion questionnaire, because she was busy at the time—giving birth to *twin* boys! Congratulations to Ginnie for the first class twins, and may her Child Development major stand her in good stead! Her husband is a staff sergeant stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Md.

Woodie Worley received her M.A. in psychology from Yale June 6 (and says she can't read her diploma—it's in Latin!). On July 1 she started working at the University for the clinical psychologist for Yale undergraduates. She gives mental tests, writes case histories, locates information about patients, and keeps the counseling and vocational guidance work running—just the kind of job she'd hoped for. On June 26 her engagement to Paul R. Peak, Jr., a cadet at the Coast Guard Academy, was announced. In September she went to Denver with Paul to meet her future in-laws. They hope to be married in New Haven next June, when Paul graduates.

It is with deep regret that I report to you information that Lt. John Starr, U.S.C.G.A. '41, husband of Peggy Ramsay Starr, reported missing at the time of the paper reunion,

was killed on active duty on March 3.

On July 17 Lois Brenner became Mrs. Charles Ramsey. Her husband is a Navy Ensign, and they are living in Chicago. Ginny Martin Pattison reports that a Pattison heir is expected in January. Her husband, now a lieutenant (j.g.) in the Coast Guard, arrived home unexpectedly in June on their first anniversary. He was ordered to San Francisco and three weeks later was transferred to Florida. As Ginny said, there's nothing like travelling from Massachusetts to Florida by way of California. Ginny's Pat is a gunnery instructor at the advanced officers training school. Her address is 93 Cedar St., St. Augustine, Fla. She saw Dory Kitchell in Chicago, and reports that Dory will be (or perhaps is by now) married to Ted Brandt, of Princeton and Yale Law, currently in the Army.

Mary Ramsay ex'42 is engaged to an Army Air Corps man, now overseas. Frannie Homer is teaching at Dwight School in Englewood, N. J. She says that Helen Lederer Pilert's husband, Lee, an army lieutenant, is a prisoner in Germany. Helen is working in the reservation department of the Pennsylvania railroad.

Now for those I have seen on my own travels. During June and July, my young son and I shared an apartment on Staten Island with Putty Linder, while my hubby was at Fort Schuyler in New York. While there, Putty and I had a few C. C. visitors of '42 vintage. Jean Pilling Grimshaw, all recovered from her long illness, spent a day and night with us. She has now joined her Fred at Camp Davis in Carolina. She spent a while with Bobbie Brengle Wriston this summer, at the Brengles' summer dream house. Bobbie visited us also, after week-ending in New York with her Army husband, Walt. Jean Staats Lorish, whose husband, Bob, is at sea in the Pacific, also popped in, and startled us with the glad news that she is to become a mama in January.

I went home to Dayton for a couple of weeks in August, after we broke up house-keeping on Staten Island; and, as luck had it, Nancy Pribe Greenfield, whose husband, Bill, is a native Daytonian, was there at the same time, Bill having been sent there on Army business. What a catching up time we had. Bill, then a major, is now a lieutenant-colonel in the Air Corps. I'll bet that's as high as we go in rank in our class! Whew!

In August, the Hughes household was transplanted to Washington, D. C., for two months. After December 1 comes a big question mark as to our next. Here, I have again followed Putty Linder, who is living with her family. She has been taking care of a handsome four-year-old nephew and the two of them come calling on me and wee Bobby (now the proud possessor of five teeth and two hairs), and we spend the day keeping the small fry occupied and looking for the Good Humor man. On such occasions our constant thought is, "Who could have imagined this picture two years ago?"

Bob and I have seen John and Louisa Bridge Egbert on several occasions. They are still living in Arlington, Va., and we envy them their nicely settled apartment with their own furniture—none of this furnished stuff! Their year old daughter, Louisa, now sojourning for a while with fond grandparents in Ohio, looks like likely '62 material. You wouldn't believe it, but Mama Louisa is skinny—I didn't know her at first without her hour-glass figure. Ensign Ruth Hankins visited the Egberts for a week-end recently.

In closing, thanks to all of you who wrote me about the paper reunion. I'm glad you liked it. Now, if only more of you would write me *between* reunions, our *Alumnae News* column could be much more interesting. Yes?

1943

VIRGINIA FOSS, 32 Windemere Circle, Braintree, Mass., and POLLY SMITH, 540 Heath Rd., Merion Sta., Pa., *Correspondents*.

Engagements: Mary Louise Shoemaker has announced her engagement to Ensign William Joel Turner, Jr., U.S.N.R., of Rancagua, Chile. Ensign Turner graduated from Exeter, '38, and Harvard, '42, and is now in Australia. Mary Lou Elliott and Private James L. Dearnley, U.S. Army, were married October 23. Thelma Gustafson announced her engagement to Robert Brooks Wyland, Yale '43. Bob is a member of the Marine Corps Reserve and is stationed at Parris Island. Jean Nelson has announced her engagement to Technical Sergeant Donald P. Steele, U.S.A.A.F., and will be married soon. Sergeant Steele has served both in Hawaii and on Midway. Happy Squires and Aviation Cadet Raymond Heizer will be married October 12, in Winchester, Mass. Ray is in the

Army Air Corps and is now stationed in New Haven, Conn. Ruth (Squeak) Remsen has announced her engagement to Dan Roberts, now in OCS of the Armored Division of the Field Artillery. Ginnie Foss has announced her engagement to Ensign John D. Atwood, U.S.N.R.

Marriages: Julie Rich is now Mrs. Charles Hertzler Kurtz. They were married June 19, in Woolrich, Pa., and are now living at 4423 Spruce St., Philadelphia, while Charlie finishes his senior year at Penn Med School. Elizabeth Caroline Pfau was married to Ensign James Oliver Wright on June 19. Jim is now on active duty, and Pfau is in Milwaukee with her family. Peggy Heminway was married on September 11, to Private First Class Richard Owen Jones in Watertown, Conn. Peggy and Owie are living in Bethlehem, Pa., while Owie attends the Army Specialist Training Program at Lehigh University. (Address: c/o Mrs. Rheiner, Jr., 517 W. Union Blvd., Bethlehem, Pa.) Joy Hyde and Bob Green were married September 18 in Waterbury, Conn., and they are now living in Ferguson, Mo. Bob (the Reverend Robert Lee Green, Jr.) recently graduated from Episcopal Theological Seminary. Skippy Wright was married September 25 to Peter Narten, Army Air Corps Reserve. Marian Reich married John Park Wilson on August 28 in Des Moines, Iowa. Jack was graduated from Yale in 1942 and is a process engineer with the Des Moines Ordnance Plant. Ginny Railsback was married to Lieut. George F. Neiley, Jr., U.S. C. G. Reserve, on July 5. George is the brother of Betty Neiley '41, and he and Ginny are now living at 141 Mohegan Ave., New London. Billie Oellers was married to Lieut. John D. Glaser, j.g., U.S.N.R., on September 11. Billie and Jack are now living in New London. Connie Smith was married to Lieut. Eugene Hall, j.g., U.S.C.G., on June 26 in Philadelphia. Connie and her husband are now living in Orange, Texas. Taus Nagel was married on August 20 to Capt. Ralph B. Martin, U.S. Army Engineers. They are now living in Palm Springs. Roxie Schwartz ex'43 was married in July to Ensign Walter A. Jacobs, U. S. Navy Air Corps. Roxie and Wally are now in San Diego. On August 28 Mary Lou Riddell was married to Wallace MacMullen. Wallace is at Columbia Medical School and is in the Navy.

Birth: To Lieut. and Mrs. Charles F. Seelbach (Jane Geckler), a daughter, Sally, on July 29 in Cleveland. Lieut. Seelbach is now on active duty.

Miscellaneous: Wally spent the summer studying art and music in Mexico, and word comes from Julie Rich Kurtz that Miss Wallace is becoming quite adept in the art of strumming a banjo! Betty Hammink is carrying on her major by teaching nursery school at Hathaway Brown School for girls in Cleveland. Mary Wood is teaching physical education at H. B. with Betty. Alicia Henderson remains true to the Navy by doing secretarial work at the Shipyard Offices at Providence, R. I.

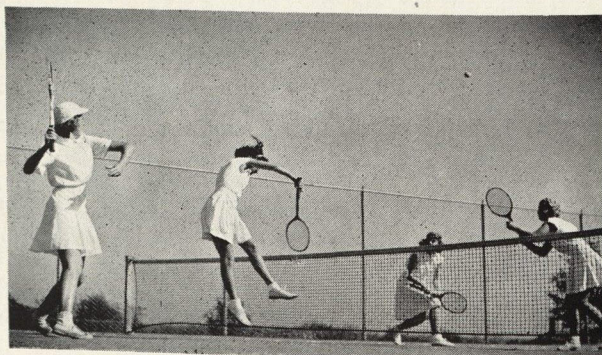
Gussie Wood is working with an insurance firm in New York City. Flo Urban is taking her nurse's training at Bryn Mawr College and Hospital, but will soon go to the New York Hospital. Teal Middleton is teaching physical education at the National Cathedral School in Washington, D. C. Irene Steckler is attending social service school in New York City. Gay Gaberman, Thelma Gustafson, Janet Sessions, Martha Boyle, and Filly Arborio are working for United Aircraft in Hartford. Brooks Johnstone ex'43 is doing clerical work in Cincinnati, and is also taking the Nurses Aid Course. Mardi Claverie is a draftsman at the Radiation Laboratory at M. I. T. Frances Lombard ex'43 graduated from Mt. Holyoke in June and is now teaching English at Washington Academy in East Machias, Me. Betsey Pease is in the Interior Display Department of G. Fox and Co. in Hartford and is living with other alumnae—Janice Reed, Eleanor English, Evelyn Silvers, and Audrey Mellon. Margot Harrington, Eleanor Horsey, Katrina Mitchell, and Lucy Roura are all working with the Army Signal Corps.

Jeanne Corby is a technical assist-

ant in the research laboratory of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation of Paterson, N. J. Lynn Thomson is continuing her dramatic career in Schenectady, N. Y., by writing and broadcasting two radio programs and doing dramatic programs over two stations. She will continue these programs when the television shows begin. Right now she is appearing in *Brief Music*, a play produced by the Civic Players in Schenectady. Lynn has recently completed a course in radio drama at Northwestern University. A recent letter from Mary Enequist Childs ex'43 brings us up to date on the very loyal C. C. Enequist family. Mary is living in New York, working with the advertising firm of Young and Rubicam. Beatrice Enequist Strifert, Mary's oldest sister, is living in Rockville Centre with her husband and three year old daughter. Louise Enequist, the youngest sister and former member of the class of 1946, announced her engagement on September 11 to Albert B. Ferguson, Jr., and was married November 20. Mary's address is 140 E. 46th St., New York 17, N. Y. Ashie Watson, Willie Parker, Alice Brewer, and Squeak Remsen are working at the Guaranty Trust in New York. Sister Stephenson is working in a chemical research laboratory at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

We have learned with deep regret of the death of Mary Wiener's husband, J. P. Willetts of the Navy Air Corps. Word has also reached us of the death of Marianne Lacomble's husband. We extend our sincere sympathy to both Meensie and Olga.

Note: At our final class meeting I overlooked the election of a class correspondent. Consequently Ginnie Foss and I are doing the job together. Will you all help us out please by sending any news about yourselves or your friends? Thank you!



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college work with me and let me work with you, as you have done with President Blunt, in the furtherance of this aim. The aim can not possibly be achieved by a president alone, because the whole college must work together—trustees, alumnae, faculty, students, administrative staff, and the president. After one month at the college I feel certain that we need have no fear of the future, and I am looking forward to the coming years with the highest of hopes. These may be the most difficult years in the history of American education, but success in our undertaking will be proportionately great.

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they are, have not been offered to you in any case with the depth of emotion which accompanies this degree from your college. For fourteen years her life has been your life, and you have given yourself with no thought of personal repayment. There is no conventional means of recognizing such a gift, because the gift is so rare. The award of the highest honorary degree can seldom mean what it does in this case. No other college or university can give you a degree for the reasons which move us today, because we are attempting to recognize the complete dedication to Connecticut College of your great talents, your long experience, and your entire attention and affection for so many years. We know that your reward has been found in the success of the college, and that no degree can equal that reward in value. Rather, Connecticut College honors herself in bestowing the degree. We ask you, the alma mater of the college, to accept the privilege of becoming one of her graduates. In the name of the trustees of Connecticut College, and through the power entrusted to me as its president, I confer upon you the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, and admit you to all its rights and privileges."

The benediction was pronounced by the Reverend Paul F. Laubenstein, and the academic body marched from the auditorium to the recessional music, "The President of the U. S." (1789), and "Adams and Washington" (1798) by Peter Albrecht von Hagen, jr.

After the Inauguration a reception was held in Knowlton where the trustees and Miss Schaffter and Miss Blunt, now in informal mood, received several hundred guests, most of them, except for the academic dele-

gates, local alumnae and friends of the college. In the late afternoon the wind was violent, and getting from the Auditorium to Knowlton was a struggle of the kind familiar to alumnae. "Inauguration weather," Mr. Daghljan said, "is at least honest. The visitors know the truth about us." For a few minutes those of us who remembered the famous day and year of September 21, 1938, began to wonder. Then the sun broke through the scudding clouds, bringing to a spectacular close the historic day.



STUDENT APPLE PICKER WORKING ON A FARM NEAR NORWICH



STUDENT EDITORS AT WORK



From *The Connecticut College News*



*"Of course, with a white
satin dress the effect will
be better"*

*The mighty Senior
returneth*



We sincerely regret to announce that because of paper shortages and other wartime complications, Hasting House, publishers of the calendars sold so successfully for the past several years at Christmas time by chapters for the benefit of the Alumnae Fund, cannot supply us with calendars this year.

ALUMNAE FUND COMMITTEE



Christmas - 1943

News Bulletin

Connecticut College Alumnae Association

GREETINGS in December, 1943, from the Alumnae Office. Wherever you may be, in a foreign country or at home, in the factory, the nursery, the kitchen, the office, the laboratory, the school-room, or wearing the uniform of a hospital nurse, of the Red Cross, the Marines, the Spars, the Wacs, or the Waves, we send you our affectionate greetings from the hilltop, and the assurance that, with great good reason, we are proud of you and your achievements in war as we have been and shall be in peace. We have enjoyed and thank you sincerely for the many letters and news items which you have sent us this past Fall. Keep us on your 1944 list!

When you receive this bulletin the **Christmas pageant** will have taken place on the evening of December 14. Therefore, we shall not be revealing a carefully kept secret when we tell you that the pageant this year will be Russian. It will be a pageant of winter and falling snow, with a processional, and the interior of a church depicting Russian art. We cannot tell you who will be the madonna, as Mr. Logan of the Fine Arts department, when we asked him, said he didn't know! After the final curtain falls on the pageant, Miss Schaffter will perform the traditional ceremony of lighting the candles held by the presidents of Service League, Religious Council, and International Relations Club. From these three candles the members of the audience will light their candles as they go outdoors to join in singing Christmas hymns and carols. The freshmen will conclude the evening ceremonies by serenading all the upperclassmen, and finally the president, on whose door they will hang a great Christmas wreath. The last caroling will be heard when the sophomores rise at dawn to serenade the freshmen on the day vacation begins.

Miss Schaffter has spoken to the New London and Boston chapters of the Alumnae Association. Enthusiastic and admiring comments and letters have resulted on both occasions. Other chapters will have the opportunity of meeting Miss Schaffter during the year: A combined meeting of New York, New Jersey, and Westchester in New York on January 20; Washington, January 21; New Haven, February 2; Hartford, February 10; Buffalo, March 7; Pittsburgh, March 8; Cleveland, March 9; Chicago, March 11; Waterbury, May 6. Arrangements are being made for dates in Fairfield County, Meriden-Wallingford, Philadelphia, and Providence.



CONNECTICUT IN THE SERVICES: **Marines:** Joyce Johnson '43, Mary Bates ex '45. **Spars:** Nancy E. Smedley ex '33, Aimee Hunnicutt Mason and Dorothy E. Rowand '40, Nancy van Houten ex '41, Jane Hall Ingraham '42. **Wacs:** Elizabeth Merry '24, Frances Green '26, Mary Louise Kent ex '32, Margaret Mills '33, Mary Reynolds Danforth and Shirley Cohen Schragar '37, Gertrude Clark Daniels, Miriam Cooper, and Mary Elizabeth Baldwin '39, Dorothy Gieg and Elizabeth Morton '40, Frances Garner ex '41, Thyrsa Magnus Beall '42. **Wasps:** Jean Howard ex '38, Betty Gossweiler '43. **Waves:** Grace L. Ward '25, Edith Simonton '29, Eleanor Roe Merrill and Mary Kavanagh '32, Vivian Schlemmer '33, Gladys Russell '34, Elizabeth G. Myer ex '34, Ruth Gannett ex '36, Evelyn Miller '37, Elizabeth Gilbert '38, Mary E. Glover ex '39, Estelle Taylor '39, Constance Harvey '40, Carol Chappell, Mildred Loscalzo, Margaret Kerr Miller, Linnea Paavola, and Elizabeth B. Smith '41, Norma Greene ex '41, Ruth Hankins, Patricia King, Virginia Stone, and Muriel R. Thompson '42, Josephine Hinds ex '42, Louise C. Daghlion and Margaret A. Dunham '43, Kathryn Dunnigan Yost (special student). **American Red Cross:** (in England) Helen L. Coops ex '22, Dorothy C. Stevens '32; (in New Caledonia) Jan McCreery and Gretchen Schwan '36, Calista Jayne ex '40. **Army Nurses Corps:** Louisa Kent '32. We have omitted rank, since in many instances we lacked the proper information. Undoubtedly we have unknowingly omitted some names from the list. If you know of additions and corrections, please send them to us.

Faculty children. Oliver Jensen is a naval officer, the author of numerous articles, one of which appeared in a recent issue of the magazine section of the Herald-Tribune. Wells Lawrence is an officer in the Air Corps and is stationed in the south Pacific; Barbara Lawrence works for the New Yorker magazine, and Billings (Skippy) is in boarding school in Vermont. Harriet-Allen Leib, now Mrs. Garofalo, is a graduate of the Yale Law School, works with a law firm in New York; Amos teaches school in Honolulu; Bill and Gilly are in school in New Haven. Helen Daghlion works

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for the Electric Boat Co. in New London; Louise is in the Waves, stationed in Washington; Philip teaches at the University of Rochester; Marilyn Morris (Mrs. Randolph Lee) divides her time between Norfolk and New London; Jeanne Morris was married in Harkness Chapel on December 5; Franklin is a senior in high school. Small fry of the faculty are too numerous to mention. We must, however, announce the birth on December 6 of Randolph Logan Chakerian.

The Class of 1922 recently gave a delightful gift to the Palmer Library, — a rare volume of copies of the illuminations from the most magnificent manuscripts of Froissart's *Chronicles*. The work was published in London in 1845 and few copies of it are available. The reproductions of the illuminations are hand-done and reproduce the original with great faithfulness. The material in this book is of value to the students of art, first of all, for we have a dearth of material in the library presenting mediaeval illuminations. It is of interest to the students of history who read the *Chronicles* with pleasure, and to other students in the course in mediaeval literature given in the English department, who likewise read Froissart's book because of his interest as an incomparable fourteenth century journalist. Alumnae who visit the campus should visit the library for the purpose of looking at this exquisite book.



By request on January 2 at the Biltmore the Connecticut College Club of New York will give another of its phenomenally successful parties for service men. Alumnae who expect to be in the city at that time and would like to attend the party should write or call Rosamond Beebe Cochran, 111 East Tenth Street, New York.

A most welcome gift has been received from the Class of 1943, which recently sent a check for \$78.77 to the Alumnae Association. The money, which was a surplus in a class fund, will be used for traveling expenses by members of the Executive Board of the Association who live at a considerable distance from New London. It is especially desirable, though not always financially possible, for these members to attend Board meetings and to visit the campus. For that reason this gift from '43 meets a real need.

The Nominating Committee of the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association will meet in Philadelphia on January 8 for the purpose of beginning the process of nominating three candidates for Alumnae Trustee for the term 1944-49. The Alumnae Association is represented on the Board of Trustees by three Alumnae Trustees, the term of one of whom, Agnes Leahy '21, expires in June, 1944. Ballots will be mailed in the Spring to active alumnae. The Alumnae Trustees constitute our direct representation on the college Board of Trustees, the chief governing body of the college, and it is hoped that every one qualified to vote will do so. The Nominating Committee is composed of alumnae who live in or near Philadelphia. It has been found by experience that the committee can function more efficiently when its members live in the same community, thus making attendance at meetings easier, and making it possible for more frequent meetings to be called. Eleanor Jones '33, 1224 Fayette Street, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, is chairman of the committee, and will be glad to receive suggestions as to candidates.

Publication of the December issue of the *Alumnae News* was delayed because the paper on which the issue was to be printed was lost in transit. Because of the paper shortage it was impossible to obtain more paper. The circumstances of war truly develop unexpected ramifications.

The classes of '19, '36, '37, '38, '39, and '43 are scheduled to have reunions in June, 1944, which reunions cannot of course be held. Plans are under way for Paper Reunions. Last year the classes of '23, '24, '40, and '42 carried out the Paper Reunion plan with success and pleasure.

In spite of the splendid coöperation of innumerable people, the address problem remains an acute one. For your sake and ours, we repeat our former statement: Unless the Alumnae Office has your correct address, your mail will be returned or fall by the wayside, an expensive and disappointing procedure for all concerned. If you are now or expect to be one of the many alumnae wartime movers, we urge you to give us a permanent address from which your mail will always be forwarded. Remember, second class mail is never forwarded by a post office unless money is left with the post office for forwarding the mail. If you live in a city which has been divided according to postal districts, send us the information.

The Alumnae Fund Committee acknowledges with appreciation the receipt of your contribution to the Alumnae Fund for 1943-44.