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Connecticut College Calendar Spring, Summer, Fall, 1948

Reunion Weekend	June 12, 13, 14
Reunion classes—'39, '40, '41, '42, '47.	
Dormitory rooms open to alumnae from Saturday noon through Commencement exercises Monday morning.	
Trustees' Picnic for Alumnae, Class Day, Class Dinners	June 12
Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association, Garden Party	June 13
Commencement	June 14
Speaker, Norman Cousins, Editor of Saturday Review of Literature.	
Summer Session	
First Term	June 21 - July 30
Second Term	August 2 - September 8
School of the Dance	July 13 - August 24
(See back cover of this magazine)	
Freshman Week, beginning	September 16
Registration for Upperclassmen	September 20

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Connecticut College in 1958, Council Theme Weekend Spent in Examination of Present Aims, Plans for the Future

by MARION ANELLO JACKEL '35

The fourth annual meeting of the Alumnae Council was held on the campus on the weekend of February 28 and 29, with 60 chapter representatives, Alumnae Fund Class Agents, members of the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association, and Council officers attending. The program was arranged to include consideration of general Alumnae Association affairs, of chapter and Alumnae matters, and of the present and future developments of the College, with emphasis on curriculum and finance.

Councilors stayed overnight at the Mohican Hotel, and were transported to the campus for meetings and meals in special buses. Participants in the program included President Park, alumnae, trustees, members of the faculty, and two members of the staff of the Alumnae Office of Vassar College. The problem for the chairmen, in all the periods devoted to questions and discussion, was not how to get the discussions started, but how to give everyone who wanted to speak the opportunity of doing so. It is impossible to report all the meetings fully in the Alumnae News. However, thanks to the efforts of Marion Anello Jackel '35 and Natalie Maas '41, we are able to give you an unusually full summary of the Council Meetings.—EDITOR.

The program included the followings topics and speakers:

Saturday and Sunday, February 28 and 29, 1948

OPENING LUNCHEON MEETING. Greetings by Marion Nichols '32, Chairman of the Council, and Charlotte Beckwith Crane '25, President of the Alumnae Association, Kathryn Moss, Executive Secretary.

NEW DIRECTIONS IN ALUMNAE WORK. Speaker, Miss Gertrude Garnsey, Executive Secretary, Associate Alumnae of Vassar College.

SPECIAL ALUMNAE FUND SESSION. Chairman, Ruth Ferree Wessels '33, Chairman of the Alumnae Fund.

SPECIAL SESSION FOR CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES. Speaker, Mrs. Frank W. Buxton, Simmons College alumna, Chairman of the Council of Women's College Clubs of Westchester County, New York.

DINNER FOR ALL COUNCILORS. Speaker, President Park.

PANEL DISCUSSION, THE COLLEGE IN 1958. Speakers: Miss Rosemond Tuve, member of the Department of English; Mr. Hartley Cross, member of the Department of Economics; Emily Warner Caddock, Alumnae Trustee; Virginia Eggleston Smith, member of the Cleveland Chapter. Chairman, Mrs. Mary F. Morrisson, Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

DISCUSSION PERIOD. Adjournment of Council.

President Park

"A critical attitude on the part of students toward the process of education, a healthy unrest."

President Rosemary Park addressed the Councilors at dinner in Jane Addams House immediately preceding the Panel Discussion Saturday evening. Miss Park pointed out that education today is news. There seems to be a constant fear among the public that wrong ideas are disseminated through educational channels and thus educators are subject to various pressure groups. A second point made by the president was that there is a healthy unrest on the part of students, a critical attitude toward the process of education, which the colleges must turn into constructive channels. This might be accomplished by emphasizing the necessity to students for reaching conclusions honestly instead of demanding final answers to problems to be delivered on order.

Touching briefly on the financial problems of the private institution today, Miss Park discussed a plan formulated by Connecticut College to set up local committees throughout the country to offer suggestions for sources of income for Connecticut College. She indicated that ideas and suggestions from the alumnae would be helpful to the trustees in their planning.

Panel Discussion

The topic of the panel discussion, "The College in 1958," was chosen, first for the purpose of examining the

present-day college so far as curriculum, financial affairs, and college-alumnae relations are concerned, and second, to state the aims of the college for the immediate future, roughly, the next ten years. Mrs. Morrisson, trustee, presided, and Miss Tuve and Mr. Cross, members of the faculty; Emily Warner Caddock, alumnae trustee, and Virginia Eggleston Smith, chapter member, were the highly able speakers. Alumnae reviewing from the basis of their own experiences, the problems and hopes presented, contributed to a lively discussion after the scheduled talks.

Miss Tuve

"Alumnae can help us fight against an anti-intellectual tendency in America."

A wish to salvage for 1958 "everything C.C. has which awakens the student to an allegiance outside herself" was expressed by Miss Tuve in the opening talk of the discussion. In reviewing the present curriculum of the college, Miss Tuve indicated her desire to avoid any change for 1958 in Connecticut College's expectation of maturity of students. "I hope the curriculum of 1958 at C.C. will not have buckled in to the tendency to require less and less maturity of students, scaling down requirements and methods to suit the often very temporary desires of young people by expecting a maturity we know they haven't got, but can get."

"Here Connecticut College has seen eye to eye with those who have discovered that the modern necessity for specialization can be countered by acknowledging that there is a great tradition of central knowledge which every educated man should be presented with and have a chance to relate himself to."

As one very real danger to providing a successful education in a modern college, Miss Tuve pointed out "the loss of the sense that the individual must consciously and continuously search out and build a set of values, and that she has an obligation to devote herself to them. . . . A most fashionable substitute for purpose and duty in all provinces of modern life is the substitution of the student's own self as a center for her education. Hence in 1958 I would wish to avoid anything that would increase self-centeredness and to teach the student that she is not a center around which things revolve, and that she must (whether prepared to or not) put demands of her job, profession, other human beings, ahead of her own likes, dislikes, comfort, and convenience."

What is often referred to in other colleges as the "almighty student complex" Miss Tuve found refreshingly absent from Connecticut College and in its place "a healthy expectation that the student was grown up enough to sense that it really was up to her to get something out of things which other human beings had found valuable."

A quick review of the kinds of problems currently uppermost in the minds of those who frame curricula was presented by Miss Tuve as follows:

"1. Danger of specialization, of substituting training for education.

"2. Danger of substituting a sort of general misch-masch, lots of things glimpsed and seen; knowing *about* lots of things and not *knowing* anything.

"3. Danger that when students leave college they won't know much about the great tradition of human accomplishments and possibilities. The most influential books in history of thought are not read; music and arts are still closed avenues of richness to many; tastes are mediocre and this leads to a next generation of children to whom these things are closed and well as a poorer culture for our society.

"4. Danger of too much worry over integration, over the fear of a lot of scattered, unconnected bundles of information in compartments. The real danger is in not learning critical, disciplined thinking in an era when propaganda is subtle and ubiquitous. Disciplined thinking is learned only if one has mastered the facts in the area where one is trying to weigh the truth of relationships and generalizations. In our attempt not to end up with scattered bundles of knowledge, we may end up without the knowledge either, and are therefore in a state of readiness to swallow anybody's synthesis, false or true."

One flaw in the curriculum which Miss Tuve would like to see corrected was indicated as a "shortchanging of the student who has a real professional purpose in college or who could develop one. We are giving little or no prestige to the notion of college as preparation for serious entrance into a profession, and are taking it for granted that our entire group, instead of a median of 71%, will marry. We are forgetting that many of that percentage, too, could carry on professional life intermittently if encouraged to believe this the responsibility of college-educated people."

In conclusion, Miss Tuve outlined ways in which the alumnae can help the college in meeting these specific problems:

"1. You can help future students to realize that nobody can integrate them, that only a responsible purpose to do something in their society can ever make them unify the knowledge they get.

"2. You can help them to realize before they get here and after they come, that one cannot choose between two things and have both, that you cannot have the benefits of a small college (individual attention, etc.) and also a menu of courses like that at a university.

"3. You can help us fight versus an anti-intellectual tendency in modern American thinking which makes all mental riches suspect and 'impractical,' and which makes even intelligent people look obliquely at the idea that a college is after all a place primarily dedicated to the idea that there are such things as 'things of the mind,' and that normal people are inescapably interested in them.

"4. You can help get it over to young people that there is something missing in them as whole people and as adult members of society with above-average intellectual capacity, if they cannot furnish at least the capacity to be struck by what whole generations of human beings have found enriching and valuable.

"5. You can help them to see that as long as their per-

sonal happiness is their sole goal, they are not really the ones with a right to ask for the careful expenditure of trained persons' time, the investment which society puts into every college student who occupies a place in a college like ours. Our colleges are still for the above-average girl, the one with above-average sense of social responsibility and above-average desires and willingness to work.

"6. Most of all, you can make them see that if society expends all this energy and care and planning on them, their responsibility is very large and begins right away. They must repay that care by a private search into the values to which they expect to give their devotion in turn.

"If ways of making students conscious of such things could be studied, successfully, I do not think we would have a problem of curricular revision or a problem of integration, or a problem of apathy, or even a problem of weekends. I still believe in just expecting this adult attitude from students—and once the first shock is over, it is remarkable how few are incapable of responding to it."

Mr. Cross (See Page Six)

"Today's college generation has known only war, economic and social upheaval. It is understandable that there exists a general uneasiness on most campuses."

Mr. Cross continued the discussion of the college's present problems with an interesting analysis of many of the basic misconceptions which students seem to have in choosing a liberal arts college. "For one thing they think it fashionable or practical to break into the college crowd. Then they believe college will give them pat, easy answers to all problems of life. Third, they think of education as a shipping of a cargo of facts. Fourth, they believe that the teacher is responsible for giving out education and that they themselves have little or no responsibility in the matter. Fifth, they have no conception of the fact that real education is a technique by which we increase or enlarge what we know as life."

As a reason for much of the general uneasiness of students today, Mr. Cross pointed out that all their lives they have known only an uncertain world and a society in which there has been a breakdown of a secure theory of values. "Today's generation has known only war, economic and social upheaval. It is understandable, therefore, that there exists a general uneasiness on most campuses with thinking people trying to scrutinize what we are doing, where we are going, and whether it is worth while."

Mr. Cross indicated that this same general uneasiness has existed before at periodic times in other colleges. Mieljohn once referred to it as a "lack of spiritual drive," Hutchins as a "lack of integration," John Dewey as "separation of knowledge and practice," and Samuel Johnson as a "lack of hard work."

Discussing the problem from the positive point of view, Mr. Cross emphasized what education should accomplish to combat this uneasiness. "(1) It must give students

a faith and a hope. (2) It must tie them up with some great movement and enable them to help bring about a better day."

Emily Caddock

"There are many far-reaching ways for alumnae to make themselves felt, but I am discussing one definite and immediately available way, the financing of education."

After the stimulating addresses by Miss Tuve and Mr. Mr. Cross of the faculty, the two scheduled speakers of the Alumnae Association presented their points of view. Emily Warner Caddock, alumnae trustee, discussed finances. She opened her talk with an outline of four practical objectives which, as an alumna, she set forth for the college: (1) To maintain a curriculum which the faculty deems best "to develop young women into intelligent, liberal-minded citizens, independent thinkers, with a realistic approach toward present issues, and with a sense of responsibility to their own community;" (2) to fix the size of the student body at a figure not to exceed 700; (3) to establish and maintain an adequate faculty salary scale; (4) to provide adequate facilities, based on requirements within the curriculum, as defined by the faculty.

How to insure the college the finances to accomplish these four objectives occupied the remainder of Mrs. Caddock's talk. "The chief sources of income of educational institutions are student fees, endowment yield, contributions, and the Alumnae Fund. The chief expenditures against this income are administration, instruction, and plant. In general, only about 30% of the cost of educating a student is covered by his fees, the balance by other income. At Connecticut College, approximately 80% of the cost is met by student fees. Obviously then, the student is more nearly paying his way at Connecticut than in the majority of other educational institutions.

"Let us suppose that it is better for Connecticut College to provide more income from other sources so as to reduce student fees (obviously not immediately possible). Here we see the necessity for finance planners to know pretty clearly what the College's aims are. Basically, it would seem that these aims include the responsibility to society to provide education for youth at the lowest possible cost, since in this way the colleges are building for a strong, healthy nation, and an enlightened and more peaceful world. If we are to reduce the cost to the individual to a minimum and decrease the size of the student body at a time when operating costs are high, it means we must increase our income from the other three sources: endowment yield, contributions, and the Alumnae Fund.

"I suggest three possible alternatives for accomplishing the necessary fund-raising for Connecticut College without launching a so-called campaign:

"1. The Alumnae Fund would spearhead the single fund raising project of the College, and the College would pay the salary of an experienced fund director.

"2. The College would administer the entire project,

working through local alumnae groups as well as employing all other accepted and tried methods of operation.

"3. The Alumnae Fund would operate according to the expanded plan now in operation, referring to the Trustees names of prospective large donors, both within the Association and outside of that group."

"We Connecticut College alumnae need to examine our purposes and our methods. Such soul-searching will show us that as a group we have been lethargic in the extreme when it comes to a realization of our responsibility, —to the College, yes, but I am pointing toward a larger responsibility and one in which we *must* show some leadership, toward civilization, *our* civilization. There are many and far-reaching ways for us to make ourselves felt, each one of us, but here we are discussing one definite and immediately available way, the financing of education, and the alumnae share and responsibility in that operation at Connecticut College."

Virginia Smith

"Another way to extend the influence of the college would be to give those alumnae who are organized the opportunity to meet and listen to more members of the faculty."

Virginia Eggleston Smith brought the speaking program to a close with a thoughtful discussion of "Present and Potential Relationships of Alumnae to the College." She said in part: "To have an ideal relationship between a college and its alumnae, the college should be a continuing source of intellectual stimulation to its graduates, and the alumnae should maintain the prestige of the college in groups and as individuals and should support the college by constant interest in its development and by financial contributions.

"There are many ways in which the college and the alumnae may work together, enhancing the position of both. Primarily, and most obviously, the college can do the most for the Alumnae Association by producing the right kind of alumnae—graduates who are unprejudiced, who have a sense of their position in American democracy and the willingness to use their minds and knowledge for their families, their communities and their country.

"After graduation, in far too many cases there is an almost complete break in intellectual stimulation and development. This is not due, necessarily, to a feeling that 'Now, by golly, I'm educated and that's that,' but because of lack of time and opportunity. Here the college might be able to contribute. Perhaps at commencement time there might be three days devoted to refresher courses and surveys of recent thought to be given in selected subjects such as government, economics, child psychology, modern history, contemporary trends in literature and art.

"Another way to extend the influence of the college would be to give those alumnae who are organized the opportunity to meet and listen to more members of the faculty. Alumnae should be allowed to share in the stim-

ulation which comes from a person practiced in academic thought and expression and who is an active part of Connecticut College. A plan might be developed by the College and the Alumnae Association to provide these speakers from the campus.

"The Alumnae Association is a public relations department of the college. Additional thought should therefore be given to ways of keeping the alumnae up to date. A series of news flashes about new courses, additions to the personnel, etc.—maybe on postcards—would keep the alumnae posted on what is going on at college.

"The alumnae wish for Connecticut is that the College be vitally concerned with the future, at the same time maintaining the traditions and principles which have given Connecticut College its individual characteristics. Alumnae who are proud to name the college from which they graduated are proud to support it. A 10-year or a 50-year plan should develop an ever-growing body of alumnae so enthusiastic and informed that they can aid the College by their character as well as by their material contributions."

Mr. Hartley Cross

It is with deep regret and a realization of the sense of personal loss which will be felt by many alumnae that we announce the death in New London on Thursday, April 8, 1948, of Mr. Hartley Cross, member of the Department of Economics. Mr. Cross developed pneumonia the week after the Alumnae Council meeting and remained critically ill until his death.



Woodworth House, Alumnae Offices on First Floor

Directions in Alumnae Association Work

Vassar Reunions, Campus Speakers Bureau, Alumnae Fund Discussed Alumnae Council Organization Considered

From Minutes by NATALIE MAAS '41

MISS GERTRUDE GARNSEY, Executive Secretary of the Associate Alumnae of Vassar College, led the discussion in the general session for all Councilors. She was assisted by Miss Jackson, Vassar '45, also a member of the Vassar Alumnae Office staff. Discussion was centered around four topics: 1) Speakers sent from the campus to alumnae club meetings, 2) Reunions, 3) Alumnae Council organization, 4) Alumnae Fund work.

Miss Garnsey explained that the Vassar Speakers Bureau exists for the purpose of sending speakers from the campus regularly to Vassar clubs throughout the country. Speakers are rotated, but one speaker is sent annually to each club. The president of the College, a faculty member, and a member of the staff of the Alumnae Office always constitutes three of the speakers. The College appropriates expenses for faculty travel to clubs; the president's budget includes travel expenses, and the Alumnae Association pays the expenses of the staff member of the Alumnae Office. All arrangements for speakers are made through the Alumnae Office.

Speakers give the clubs news of the College, and also speak on subjects with which their own fields are concerned. The speakers are carefully chosen from among faculty members who are thoroughly acquainted with campus affairs, and who are stimulating and interesting speakers. The committee to choose the speakers is composed of the president of the college, the chairman of admissions, the chairman of the Bureau of Public Relations, and the executive secretary of the Associate Alumnae. The Speakers Bureau has functioned with great success and is considered of extreme importance to the college and to the clubs in making information available to all concerned.

It was stated that at Connecticut an attempt is made by the college and the Alumnae Association to send speakers frequently to chapter meetings, but the arrangement is still inadequately organized and financed.

*Contributions to Vassar Alumnae Fund Range from
\$1.00 to \$10,000*

Because of the great success of the Vassar Alumnae Fund (a higher percentage of Vassar alumnae—66%—contribute to their Alumnae Fund than do alumnae of any other college), Connecticut Alumnae Fund workers appreciated the opportunity of hearing of the organization of the Vassar work.

Miss Garnsey said that although their Alumnae Fund

had been in existence since 1919, it was only in 1924 that it became all-inclusive. That is, in 1941, a contribution to the Alumnae Fund included a gift to the college, membership in the Alumnae Association, and subscription to the alumnae magazine. She emphasized the desirability of this system in preference to the former one in which three separate requests were made for funds.

This year Vassar has set as its Alumnae Fund goal \$100,000. Since Connecticut has approximately one-fourth as many alumnae as Vassar, and Connecticut's Alumnae Fund goal for this year is \$25,000, the two Associations have decidedly comparable goals.

At Vassar the Alumnae Fund Class Agents are the mainspring of the Alumnae Fund organization. On their understanding of the aims and needs of the Fund, and on their willingness to work and carry through depend the success of the Alumnae Fund. Fund Agents are elected by their classes for five years, and an alternate is also elected. In January there is a meeting on the campus of the Alumnae Fund Class Agents, or Chairmen, as they are known at Vassar. At this time they are given information about the college, the Alumnae Association, and especially the Alumnae Fund.

The Agents, or Chairmen, are of great importance because it is they who give the personal attention to their classmates, the kind of attention not possible when the work is done entirely from the Alumnae Office. On the opening day of college a general appeal is sent to all alumnae by the Central Fund-raising Committee and goes directly from the Alumnae Office. In November a post-card reminder is sent to non-contributors.

In January, when the Fund Agents are on campus, personal notes are written, by the Agents, while they are on campus, to the non-contributors of the classes. An excellent response comes from the January notes, and immediately after the notes are received the percentage of contributors begins to go up noticeably.

The January appeal is usually the last one of the year, though there have been times when an extra appeal has been necessary to meet the goal. The goal is always an unrestricted gift of money to be turned over to the college with no strings tied to it. That is, the Alumnae Association does not specify that the Alumnae Fund money which it turns over to the college is to be expended for some definite purpose, such as scholarships, or buildings, or equipment of various kinds.

The budget of the Alumnae Association is met annu-

ally by contributions to the Alumnae Fund. Alumnae have come to take this fact for granted, and it is not necessary to emphasize it, although it is usually mentioned.

Clubs, or chapters, contribute to the Alumnae Fund through scholarships. These contributions are added to the total Fund, but are not a part of the Fund goal. Clubs not having scholarships are urged to start them.

The alumnae Central Fund-raising Committee at Vassar is composed only of alumnae. There is a separate college fund-raising committee, and the Executive Secretary of the Association sits in on this committee. The college fund-raising committee has an agreement with the Alumnae Association whereby the college makes no requests for money of the alumnae which are not authorized by the Alumnae Fund organization.

This year the Vassar goal has been doubled, hence *alumnae have been asked to double their gifts.*

An Experiment in Reunions

It is increasingly clear, on the basis of statements by many alumnae in various colleges, that the purely social, nostalgic type of reunion no longer holds attractions for many alumnae. Reunion alumnae are asking for a combination of fun and some carefully planned meetings of the type held at most Alumnae Council sessions. Vassar last year, when its academic schedule was being changed back to the four-year college course, and dormitories were therefore available to alumnae, had a unique opportunity to experiment with new types of reunion.

For five successive weekends alumnae came to the campus. During these five weekends all classes were included. Five panels, planned and carried out by alumnae, and also attended and participated in by some faculty and undergraduates, were presented each weekend. The same subjects were repeated during the five weekends. They dealt with: education, economic problems, the family, the community, the arts. In addition to the panel, a well-known outside, non-alumna speaker was included in each reunion program.

Enthusiasm for the new kind of reunion was so great that Vassar does not plan to return to its traditional reunions. It will interject a bit more of the light touch into the new style reunions, which will henceforth be held the weekend of Commencement, but which will be finished prior to the actual Commencement of the senior class.

Classes and Chapters Pay Councilors' Expenses

Since the Connecticut College Alumnae Council has met only four times, it was helpful to our alumnae to learn of the organization and activities of a Council which was organized in 1916. Because of the larger number of classes, as well as the fact that there are more people in the Vassar classes than in those of Connecticut, keeping the Council sufficiently small to permit flexibility and informality is a problem at Vassar.

At present there is one member from every class, and one representative from each club for the first 100 members, plus an additional representative for each 50 members after the first 100. Alumnae Fund representatives do not attend Council meetings, as separate meetings held at different times are planned for them.

Each Councilor is elected by the group which she represents for a two-year term. Each representative therefore attends four meetings during her term. Clubs and classes pay all expenses of their representatives, even the distant clubs raising sufficient funds to meet these expenses.

The Vassar Council meets twice a year, in the fall and spring. At the fall meeting clubs and classes have separate sessions, which are followed by a common meeting. The spring Council is concerned with the College and its affairs.

The Fund Agents in the past have been included in the Connecticut Alumnae Council membership. However, at the final sessions of the 1948 Council the recommendation was made that next year a separate session be held for Fund workers.



Students in Emily Abbey, Cooperative Dorm

Separate Sessions on Fund, Chapter Work

Plans for Reaching \$25,000 Alumnae Fund Goal for 1947-1948

Minutes by NATALIE MAAS '41

RUTH FERREE WESSELS, chairman of the Alumnae Fund, opened the separate sessions for Alumnae Fund workers by stating that this year marks the inauguration of the extension of the purpose of the Alumnae Fund. In addition to membership in the Alumnae Association, and subscription to the *Alumnae News*, a contribution to the Alumnae Fund will go in part toward a gift to the College. The goal for 1947-48 is \$25,000, \$12,000 of which is allotted to meet the budget of the Association, and \$13,000 for an unrestricted money gift to the College.

It was emphasized at the meeting that the percentage of contributors must be brought up, and that it was the duty and responsibility of the Agents to increase both the dollars received and the per cent contributing. It was pointed out that the percentage of alumnae contributing increased last year from 40% in February 1947 (before Agents' letters went out) to 51% by July 1947.

It was decided that the Agents should be responsible for an additional spring appeal in the form of a printed folder, on which there would be space for a personal note written by the Agents. These folders and notes will go not only to non-contributors, but to those who have already contributed.

The question was raised whether the Agents should send notices after the April one. The Agents felt that the personal angle should not be overdone, but were willing to carry through with the second notice if it seemed necessary to do so.

In answer to what the \$25,000 would be used for, it was repeated that approximately half would be used for maintenance of the Alumnae Association, and half for a gift to the College. The College prefers unrestricted funds which may be used in the most advantageous ways.

It was also pointed out that class gifts have been separate from the Alumnae Fund, but it is hoped to integrate these too in the Alumnae Fund.

Higher Level Urged for Chapter Programs

The subject matter of the separate session for chapter representatives was generally concerned with what constitutes a good chapter. Mrs. Frank Buxton, Simmons College alumna and chairman of the Council of Women's College Clubs of Westchester County, New York, was the speaker.

In response to inquiries Mrs. Buxton stated that the Council of Women's College Clubs was started in Westchester about ten years ago, and that requirements for mem-

berships are that the alumnae group of each college must have a paid membership of twenty or more and must be recognized by the AAUW. The Council has two annual meetings, the fall meeting at which scholarships, cooperative housing on the campuses, many self-help opportunities, and other matters of interest to all alumnae clubs are discussed. The spring meeting is a luncheon at which the speaker is a prominent educator, usually from one of the women's colleges.

Mrs. Buxton stressed the need for worth-while programs and made the following suggestions: Speakers should be chosen carefully. Since chapters are composed of members with good and also similar educational backgrounds, there is no excuse for the chapter program which falls into the typical women's club variety. The most successful speakers are those from the campus, interesting alumnae, and outside speakers on world affairs who make clear the special contribution which can be made by college alumnae.

The number of meetings of a chapter scheduled each year should be dependent upon the size and type of community, but a good general rule is not to have too many meetings, as interest will invariably lag if there is too great frequency.

It is important to have officers of chapters rotated in age groups in order to maintain interest and effectiveness on all age levels. The membership chairman might have a committee composed of all classes the members of which would communicate with members of each class before meetings.

The year's program should be planned at the beginning of each year, printed, and sent to all members of the group. Questionnaires sent out at the end of each year have proved effective. These ask for information on such questions as, "What kind of program would you like? Do you want to be kept on the mailing list?"

During the discussion which followed Mrs. Buxton's talk, it was stated that alumnae have information and opinions, gained by experience, which if obtainable should be of great value to the college, particularly in curriculum planning. A committee exists, it was stated, in the Wellesley Alumnae Association, for channeling such information to the college officially.

Mrs. Buxton emphasized the importance of money-raising activities in the chapter, especially for scholarships for local girls, in unifying the chapter, being of assistance in the community, and also to the college.

The Importance of Informing the Peoples

by BLANCHE FINLEY, '22

TODAY, the problem of information and propaganda is one of the most important and most fascinating of the problems that confront us. Governments realize now that the more important public opinion becomes, the more careful attention it ought to receive. They have begun to give greater publicity to the activities of the state. Records of achievement, which for generations had been kept in the filing cabinets of government offices, are publicized. It has become the style to publish reports: statistics, catalogues, complications of commercial information, yearbooks, bulletins, reviews, pamphlets, Blue Books, White Books, Yellow Books, and last but not least the survey of public opinion, designed to find out what effect has been produced by all this printed matter and to gauge it accurately.

Let us define propaganda before we go any further. Propaganda in its proper sense means the giving of information, although it is more often thought of as a method of spreading misinformation.

Not only the United States, but France, too, has been unbelievably slow in stepping into the field of information. But there were some who realized its importance. Back in 1936 a group of men from both France and the United States founded the French Information Center in New York City. Its purpose was to give factual information to the public. It was a non-government agency, and designedly so, since the American public is suspicious of government hand-outs. Financial backing came from French industrialists, business organizations, chambers of commerce, publishing houses, etc., as well as from some francophiles in America.

I started with the French Information Center when it opened, and spent seven years building up a library and documentation system which permitted the members of the staff to give any information requested on France and its overseas territories quickly and accurately. We had no precedent to follow, and it took several years of experimenting to work out such a system. The library contained thousands of books in French and in English dealing with every phase of French life, while our files contained clippings from American and French publications, and references to articles in French publications which were not clipped. Nothing was published, and information was given only to those who requested it. That the American public wanted this type of information is testified by the thousands of requests which came in each month by telephone, letter and personal visits.

We were trained to be completely impartial, completely factual. All information was given with its sources, whether it was taken from a government document, a rightist or leftist publication, an industrial report, or whatever. Questions ranged from historical facts, statistics and economic and financial data to childish requests for "everything

about France,"—a tall order which was usually answered by a small packet of the lovely tourist folders France put out before the war.

After the fall of France, the office closed its doors early in 1943, and I accompanied the library and files to Washington where they were installed for the duration at the Office of Strategic Services. There the material was used in planning the bombing of strategic centers, in underground activities, and finally in the invasion of France.

Meanwhile, the de Gaulle provisional government had set up a small press and information office in New York. In January 1944, it was greatly enlarged and I joined the staff. The office was a buzzing beehive of activity, where some fifty people were engaged in sending out press releases in French and in English, distributing photographs, preparing radio scripts and articles, setting up exhibits, etc. We also published twice a month a bulletin in English to give information on France at war. Our material at this time came from the London and Algiers offices where constant information flowed in from France through secret radio transmitters and agents who were parachuted into the country and who came out by plane and submarine. It was an exciting time.

At the same time the work of giving out factual information went on. Until the old library and documentation was returned to us, we went ahead on the same system, collecting information and giving it out on request. We supplied journalists, radio commentators, magazine writers with facts on demand. Requests now dealt with matters of resistance, numbers of hostages shot, concentration camps, what kind of government France intended to set up, what were its projected social reforms, its plans for reconstruction.

Since the war, the staff has been cut down to the bone, we are now 10 persons, due to the fact that with the war's end, propaganda as such ceased to be the Allies' first concern, and also to the fact that the dearth of dollars makes it necessary for France to curtail her activities here. However, requests still pour in from university professors and students who want information on France's economic, social and financial status, from newspapers and magazines who check up on their correspondents' reports, from writers who still want material for articles, and from school children who still want to know "all about France."

Yet governments realize that the structure of the modern world has changed profoundly, they now understand the implications of present-day social developments. An energetic campaign was waged in parliaments and the press to prove to the public that something should remain of the wartime agencies. England, while announcing the dissolution of the Ministry of Information, made it clear that this

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On the Campus

Martha Graham, Trio, Other Dancers to Teach on Campus In 1948 Summer Session

Connecticut College and New York University recently announced joint sponsorship of a six-weeks summer session in the modern dance to open July 13 at Connecticut College, New London.

With a faculty including such well known names in the field as Martha Graham, Jose Limon, William Bales, Jane Durley, and Sophie Maslow, the new dance center will provide not only the opportunity to study all phases of the art but also to attend a weekly series of concerts to be given by the artists and their companies. These concerts, which will take place in Palmer Auditorium, will be open to the public.

In announcing the project, President Park and Dean Ernest O. Melby of the New York University School of Education stressed the fact that this collaboration is in line with the interests of the two institutions in furthering the arts in education.

Miss Martha Hill, who with Miss Mary J. Shelly organized the first center of this type at Bennington College, and Dr. John F. Moore, director of the Connecticut College summer session, will act as co-chairmen of an administrative board representing the two institutions. President Park and Dr. Jay B. Nash, chairman of the department of physical education at New York University, under whose direct supervision the plan for the school has been developed, will also serve on the board. Also included are Miss Stanwood and Miss Ruth Bloomer, of the Connecticut College department of physical education, Dean Ralph E. Pickett and Dean Francis C. Rosecrance of New York University.

Located in the center of the New England resort and summer theater area, the School represents a unique educational and artistic enterprise. It undertakes the complete presentation, from beginning technique to finished professional performance, of an art for which the studio and the theater instead of the museum and the library are the setting.

The school will have a faculty of twenty-four. Enrollment will be limited to 200 students who meet the regular admission requirements of Connecticut College and New York University.

The concert series, currently planned to include 18 programs, will be under the direction of Doug Hudelson, business manager for Miss Graham.



Martha Graham

Alumnae in Phi Beta Kappa

Two alumnae, Dorothy Cannon Lafferty '26 and Dorothy Krall Newman '33, were among the recently elected members of the Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Mrs. Lafferty received her Ph. D. from New York University in 1946. Since graduation she has done editorial work for several publishing houses, and is now medical editor and writer for the J. B. Lippincott publishing company of Philadelphia. Mrs. Krall received her Ph.D. from Yale in 1937, and is now economic editor in the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor. Previously she was on the faculty of Antioch College. Both Mrs. Lafferty and Mrs. Newman are Winthrop Scholars.

Faculty Present Comedy

The prize for the most hilarious event of the year undoubtedly will be awarded to the recently presented faculty variety show, Skitsofrenia. The genesis of the idea for the show came from the faculty Post-war Service committee, and the proceeds went to the Allied Children's Fund. To a capacity audience composed of the entire student body, all non-participating faculty, and faculty, wives, husbands, and children, members of the various skits put on singing and

dancing acts, including a barber shop quartette, a gym class circa 1910, a psychology class, the latter being according to a student reporter, "a rather startling mirror of the students and their class behavior, including knitting, whispering, bubble gum, pen-filling, notebook-dropping, and such questions as "How do you spell Jones?" A dormitory scene in which Miss Oakes found herself in a dilemma when compelled to write a theme on the Ultimate Reality was well received. The audience was carried into a radio studio for a performance by Como Quimby. Later Miss Alter and Mr. Currier of the Music Department gave incredible exhibitions of virtuosity at the piano in duets of Gottschalk's work. Mr. Quimby as Miss Leslie, and Miss Leslie as a student of voice were perhaps the stars of the entire performance. All in all much real talent was exhibited by the faculty to the tremendous and highly vocal enjoyment of the audience.

Patricia McGowan Wins Graduate Fellowship Now Holds Swayze Scholarship

Announcement has been made by the Pepsi-Cola Scholarship Board that Patricia McGowan '48 of Torrington, Connecticut, has been awarded a graduate fellowship. The award will provide her with full tuition and \$750 a year for three years of graduate study in any field of specialization in any accredited graduate school in the United States or Canada. She plans to study law, and eventually to specialize in labor law. During her four years at Connecticut Miss McGowan has held one of the \$1,000 Swayze Scholarships.

In choosing the recipients of the Pepsi-Cola awards, the company scholarship board divided the country into four geographical regions, and six fellowships were awarded to students in each region. There was an additional region comprising Negro colleges wherever located. Negro candidates in other colleges were also eligible for the fellowships offered in their own regions. The choices were made from among 2,288 applicants. The other five awards in the Eastern region were made to students of M.I.T., Princeton, Smith, Tufts, and Vassar.

Students of Botany Hold Flower Show

The annual Flower Show, sponsored by the Botany Department, was held in March. Among especially interesting exhibits were one of seedless tomatoes which were produced by hormone sprays, and another showing spring flowers and a salad garden. The laboratory displays included three by the freshman class showing plant propagation, the prevention of bacteria growth by penicillin, and a planting plan for the New London bridge approach. More advanced botany classes exhibited among other things the micro-biology of cheese, evidences of plant evolution, and results of forcing into blossom several varieties of flowering shrubs.

An outstanding rendition of Brahms' Requiem was given in Palmer auditorium on Palm Sunday by the Connecticut College choir and the Yale Glee Club. The first performance of the Requiem by the two groups and soloists, assisted by the Yale School of Music orchestra, was given March 14 at Woolsey Hall in New Haven.

Alumnae of Connecticut College who are living in New York, and who are members of Phi Beta Kappa, are invited to join the New York association. Four meetings per year are held, and dues are two dollars. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Seymour M. Kwerel, 1845 Phelan Place, New York 53, New York.

Speakers at this year's annual Freshman-Sophomore week were college presidents Howard Lowry of the College of Wooster, and Harold Taylor of Sarah Lawrence. The relative merits of different approaches to education, specifically, the progressive and the more conventional, but not conservative, were discussed at length to a deeply interested audience.

Informing the Peoples

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Ministry would nonetheless function until a new agency was established. At the same period and after a lively press campaign, the United States abolished the Office of War Information, but has maintained a government agency known as the Office of International and Cultural Affairs. Our government is not indifferent to the light in which it appears to foreign peoples. France, too, dissolved its Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Although nations apparently understand the need of spreading information abroad, nevertheless they have not as yet dealt with the problem in an adequate manner. My own experience at the Information Division of the French Embassy, as our office is now called, has convinced me that Americans want to know about France in greater and ever increasing numbers and that our facilities are barely enough to take care of the mounting requests. And while I was in Paris last summer word came that the American Government was cutting down its information service to the French people. The American staff there was in despair, its number was already too small to cope with the increasing interest in America shown by the French people.

To know is to understand, and I have enough faith in my country to think that to understand it is to believe in it. We should all seize every occasion to urge our government to keep up its information services in other countries and to enlarge its Voice of America programs which bring our message surely and swiftly into the hearts of so many foreign peoples.

"We Can Never Measure Teaching"--G. K. Daghljan

by RUTH GILL DUPONT '40

IT was coincidence which first brought Mr. Garabed Daghljan to Connecticut College where for 27 years he has been professor of physics and astronomy, retiring only this past June to become Professor Emeritus. The ship which was bringing Mr. Daghljan to America from Aleppo in the fall of 1920, docked too late for him to accept any of the several positions which had been offered to him. Fortunately in January Mr. Daghljan came to Connecticut's physics department and the duties which claimed him until his retirement in June of 1947.

With characteristic lucidity, Mr. Daghljan, who has seen all except the first two classes graduate, and who can probably remember each one of his former pupils by name, recalls even small details of the growth and development of the college in general and of the Physics Department in particular.

"In those days, the Physics Department was located in the large West-South room on the top floor of New London Hall. The laboratory equipment was next to nothing," he related, and recalled that one of the first things he did was to have made a lecture demonstration table, which, incidentally, is still in use in the shop room of Bill hall. From the beginning demonstrated experiments were given the same importance as in any good college or university classroom.

It was during Mr. Daghljan's second year at Connecticut College that astronomy was added to the courses of instruction, later usurping the place of physical chemistry, which was then transferred to the Chemistry Department. It was at this time, too, that the science requirement was put on a more reputable basis, and its importance in a liberal education established. In connection with this Mr. Daghljan remarked that the prevalent opinion that girls do not do as well in science and mathematics as in other fields was the result of tradition and bias, notably by well-wishing parents and advisors, who warn that "physics is mathematical, difficult, and not the job for a woman, so keep out of it." However, girls have done as well in physics as in any other course that they were persuaded to take instead, he observed, and stated that today's physics more than ever is a woman's field because of the delicate and sensitive nature of modern equipment and "a lady's touch is necessarily more delicate and gentle."

After Fanning Hall was built, the Physics Department was moved downstairs in New London Hall where the Zoology Department now is housed. In 1939 it was moved to its present location on the third floor of Bill Hall, with the Astronomical Observatory potentially on the roof. "The laboratory and equipment is now as good as in similar sister colleges," Dr. Daghljan concluded.



Mr. Daghljan

In discussing the development of the college in general, Dr. Daghljan, with an indulgent yet discomfiting twinkle, reminisced that it was "with partial aloofness and some amusement that I observed the changing trend of ideologies and the internal struggles in faculty and administration throughout these years." In passing, he noted the long tenure of President Blunt and the accompanying building boom. "It was during this administration, but not necessarily as a result of it, that the college went quite liberal . . . maybe too far," he mused.

He mentioned his own deep interest in the faculty chapel services, and observed that he had always made it a point to keep a distinctly religious character in all of his own several hundred chapel talks, believing that this short period of chapel should be maintained for religious purposes.

Looking back over the years as a whole, Dr. Daghljan admits that he could never have been happy doing anything else other than teaching, which he sees as an extremely creative career. "We can never measure teaching," he remarked, "and one's efforts are not dispensed with measurable units, and in the same way, the compensations are indefinable." In Dr. Daghljan's case, these are not the easy words of one who is done with teaching, for, as chairman of the Department of Science and Mathematics at Williams Memorial Institute, the girls' high school in New London, his days are still filled with students and text-books. At the same time, as Professor Emeritus, he continues to maintain associations and contacts with the college, and indeed still has a faculty mailbox in the Information Office. This is as it should be; anyone who has ever known Dr. Daghljan knows that he could never really retire, never really leave Connecticut College.

Chapter Notes

Boston

The big news of the Boston alumnae is that the chapter is sponsoring a Connecticut College Night at the Pops at Symphony Hall on May 20. (See inside back cover of this magazine for details). Highly encouraging progress is being made in ticket sales and other arrangements.

Chicago

The annual bridge luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 4, at the Saddle and Cycle Club. Profits will go toward the Chicago Chapter Scholarship Fund.

Cleveland

At the annual white elephant sale the chapter cleared over \$150. This money will be added to the \$415 raised at the Annual Blue and Silver Christmas Ball given for the benefit of the Cleveland Scholarship Fund. The annual Christmas luncheon and skating party in honor of Cleveland undergraduates was very well attended.

Denver

This comparatively young chapter has succeeded in establishing enjoyable contacts with the public and private schools, some of the graduates of which go east to college.

Hartford

At the Fall reception for Miss Park there were 128 alumnae who turned out to meet the president. In March Mr. Cobbledick and Miss Noyes made their annual visit to the chapter to speak at the tea for prospective students and their parents. They brought two students with them. The girls presented the student point of view interestingly and ably.

Meriden-Wallingford

The February meeting was Guest Night, when husbands and friends also attended. We are looking forward to the meeting at the St. George Inn in Wallingford on the evening of April 20, when Miss Park will be the speaker.

Michigan

On April 3 a pleasant and well-attended tea was given for present and prospective students.

New Jersey

A successful white elephant sale, an evening when Anna Rose Wright spoke on children and children's stories, and an evening when husbands, dates, and other guests made Guest Night a delightful occasion, comprise the three



Windham House

meetings held thus far. The big push is on for the theater benefit in June in combination with New York and Westchester.

New London

The annual supper meeting was held on campus the night before the Christmas Pageant, with approximately 80 in attendance. This traditional supper is eagerly looked forward to by the members of the chapter and many friends.

Philadelphia

In January Miss Park spoke to a large group at a meeting held at the Sheraton hotel. At that time it was voted to send \$150 to be applied toward next year's scholarship for a Philadelphia girl.

Pittsburgh

On April 22 a benefit performance will be given at the Pittsburgh Playhouse. More details later.

Northern California

This is the most recently organized chapter of the Alumnae Association. Officers are: Betty Devlin North '34, president; Margaret Lafore Moltzen '41, vice president; Emma T. G. Moore '37, secretary; Margaret Coulter '37, treasurer.

Southern California

In March a meeting was held at Ruth Goodhue Voorhee's home, when the speaker was Mr. C. A. Brown, color stylist and decorator, who formerly worked on some of the C.C. buildings.

CLASS NOTES

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1919

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Probably most of you know that Esther Batchelder made a nine-week visit to Germany last year as a member of a food commission. Her Christmas card bore a scene on the Konigsee near Berchtesgaden, which she visited one weekend.

Frances Saunders Tarbell, a happy grandmother, writes that Phil, Jr., is still stationed at the White House, and that Frank is a freshman at Yale. Harriet Rogers Van Wagner's son, she adds, though not yet fully recovered from the tragic diving accident of nearly two years ago, is studying at Columbia.

Ruth Anderson took time off from her busy office routine, in the fall, to take a P.G. course at Des Moines, and to do a bit of visiting.

The rigors of a snow-bound winter were somewhat softened for both Alison Hastings Thomson, and Mid White, who managed trips to Florida between blizzards.

Of her fast-growing trio, Ruth Avery French writes that Bill, 21, is in an alternating work-study program at General Motors Institute in Flint, Michigan; Jean, 17, a high school senior, and John, a freshman, find time for outside work and interests, as does she herself, with church, Co-op, and baby-sitting besides household chores.

Ruth Trail McClellan is already planning for her trip east to reunion in 1949. Her Margaret will graduate in June from college in Walla Walla. John is a sophomore at Oregon State, studying forestry, and Stanley a football player.

As for me, full-time teaching, plus graduate work with a bit of housekeeping and community interest added, makes for a full and satisfying program.

1920

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The snow got too much for Feta and her husband and they enjoyed the warmth and swimming at Delray Beach, Florida. Betty Poteat is enjoying Spring indoors with lots of lovely flowering plants. Fanchon's

Elaine loves C.C. as does Marion Luce. Samuel Title is still in Japan and won't return until Christmas 1949. He was in charge of all ceremonies for the war dead when they were returned home and received nice citations. Kay Hulbert Hall is doing Nurse's Aide work at the Cushing Veterans Hospital. Dave's daughter was graduated from Penn State, made the Dean's list, and was elected to "Who's Who" at Penn State. Dave's son, Jim, had to withdraw from college because of headaches—the result of football playing. "Within the space of one short week, we acquired a lovely daughter-in-law and a new Studebaker—both thoroughbreds," writes Emma Wippert. Katherine Schafer Parsons dropped in to see Maude Dustin at their home at Randolph, Vermont. Maude is grandmother to "a beautiful, little girl" called Robin. Al Schell was in Florida in January when the weather was too cool to be enjoyable. Miff Howard writes that Mt. Holyoke has officially launched a drive for two million dollars and she is to make a tour speaking before Mt. Holyoke Clubs. Miff took part in an original musical comedy "Soup to Nuts" presented by the members of the Mt. Holyoke College faculty. Bruce is off to school again and I have just returned from a few days and a lovely visit with Jessie Luce. Saw Lil Shadd Elliott while there.

Our sympathy to Fanchon in the loss of her father, Mr. Hartman, and to Marjorie Viets Windsor and Mary Brader in the loss of their husbands.

1921

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Death has claimed two members of '21 during 1947. Jeannette Lettney Skinner died July 14 at Sarasota, Fla., and Mildred Peck Wasley December 18 in Hartford.

Louise Avery Favorite's daughter Nancy was married in Providence December 20.

Dorothy Henkle was in New London briefly while on tour with her actor husband Anthony Kemble-Cooper. Miss Cary reports a delightful dinner and theater date with them.

Roberta Newton Blanchard's daughter Joan, now a senior at C.C., has made a pictorial map of the campus which has been printed and widely distributed. It evokes admiring comment from every beholder and indicates that Bobbie has passed along some of her very special talents.

Martha Houston Allen and family have moved to Charleston, S. C., where they may locate permanently. So far they like it very much. Her husband's company has started a new factory where labor is more plentiful but still keeps its old factories in Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

Ruth McCollum Bassett writes that her daughter Harriet "just loves" C.C., where she is now a freshman. Ruth herself is busy with household cares and community activities.

1922

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Only two cards reached me before I left California to hurry home and complete our income tax report. It was a business trip, the business being to greet my first grandchild—it's a boy, Robin, to Amy (ex '48) and Donn Yarrow. I had a wonderful three weeks in Santa Monica and Malibu, and stopped at Grand Canyon on the way out and spent a day sightseeing in New Orleans on the way back. Also I spent two days with Ruth Bacon Wickshire in Hanover, Indiana. Katy is at home this year, attending Hanover College.

Helen Tryon tells of a visit from Jessie Menzies Luce '20, "when she came down to present me with a \$25 gift certificate from Lord and Taylor's that I got on a C. C. prospect. Mary Thomson Shepard's daughter Nellie plays viola in two orchestras; they have bought a little brick house where they have been living in Plantsville. A card from Marge Wells Lybolt says, "am a working girl again."

Sad news comes from Marguerite Mills Murphy that her husband, Albert Murphy, died very suddenly on Nov. 6. Millsie's mother lives with her and her three children in London, Ontario. Our sympathy goes to them all.

1923

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Jessie Bigelow Martin is living a life of intense activity in Washington, D. C. She is trying to balance a budget with two children in college and keep abreast of the third who is growing six inches a year. Jessie edits all the publications for George Washington University. In spite of all this occupation with home and school Jessie writes that it is not too unpleasant a rat race with bright spots here and there.

Gwyneth Rees Gregory has been trekking through Texas with her husband. They left Virginia in 1944 for Birmingham, Alabama. Gwyneth's stepdaughter is now in college.

Virginia Eddy represented our class at Alumnae Council as she is our class fund agent. The meetings were stimulating and we shall hear more from Virginia about the fund.

1924

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At this time last year a few of us were busy planning for last June's reunion, and each of you were getting letters about it from us. Even at this late date, for those who could not attend, and for the record, thirty-five of us did attend and have a grand time. What pleased us all most was that many who did not attend contributed to the class gift, and we were able to turn over \$300 to the Benjamin Marshall Memorial Fund, and at the same time to leave a little sum in our class treasury, which is now under the able supervision of Marie Jester. For many years Mad Foster Conklin did a beautiful job as Treasurer, and to her should go the praise for the successful reunion. The other person deserving bouquets is Lucille Wittke Morgan, whose husband, incidentally, was elected mayor of New London last Fall.

Before long we hope to work out a scheme for these class notes which will insure us a newsy bit in each issue. Mossy has been our ever-present help (she says she doesn't understand how she failed to mention the fact that on her trip last Fall when she visited alumnae chapters in the middle and far west, Connie Bridge Allen was in the forefront of the alumnae who gave her such a cordial welcome to Denver), but we hope that we can carry on from here, and that when each of you get a letter you will be kind enough to answer it.

We'd like to have you tell us something like the following bit. I'll use myself as a guinea pig, though I feel, as I'm sure you probably will too, that I haven't much to talk about. However, I am very proud of my family. It consists of a grand husband, who is a Customer's Man in a brokerage office; a fine son who is 17 and a junior at Xavier High School, where he's doing excellently in his studies, is a member of the rifle team, and playing a clarinet in the band; a fine daughter who is 14 and will graduate from elementary school in June, at the top of her class I think, and who is an ardent Girl Scout, and having a wonderful time with life. Now that the children are older the fact that I have graduated

from college gives me considerable prestige with them, a thing to be reckoned with.

Those four years at C.C. incidentally enabled me to teach during the acute teacher shortage in New York. However, I didn't honestly like doing it, and now that the shortage is no longer acute, I've stopped. But my chief reason for stopping was that finally I was able to realize a cherished ambition, to be in the wallpaper business. I am an officer in the wallpaper manufacturing business which my father, who died last Fall, started. Although I cannot hope to take my father's place in the organization, I hope in time to make myself valuable in the work. Before I went into the wallpaper business I was active in the League of Women Voters, but that activity has had to take a back seat for the time being.

This hasn't been too hard to write. When you're asked, won't you let us hear from you? Thank you.

1925

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Born to C. Fulton and Evelyn Avery Lawson ex '25, a daughter.

Three members of the class have new homes: Betsy Allen in Larchmont, N. Y., Orpha Brown Robinson in Salisbury, Conn., and Catherine Meinecke Crawford in Kirkwood, Mo.

Charlotte Beckwith Crane came to Hartford to introduce Miss Park as the speaker of a chapter meeting. Grace Bennet Nuveen had a pleasant trip east "from Massachusetts to North Carolina," stopping to see Margie at Vassar. Connie Parker went back to Nantucket for her vacation, where she saw Alice Barrett Howard and one of Al's books. In Boston Connie has been seeing Peg Ewing Hoag ex '25, whose daughters are all doing interesting work at school.

Charlotte Lang Carroll had a busy summer with her family at home, and Charlotte Frisch Garlock writes that her two boys are great fun. She is still interested in psychiatric work. Helen Ferguson claims that she does nothing special, but a doctor's life is always a busy one. Millie Marker Eastman, now a grandmother, has left Cape Cod and is in Miami where her husband is a commander stationed at the Air Base. Elinor Kelly Moore is in Washington with her son while her husband does a good deal of traveling for the Coast Guard.

Catherine Calhoun is still in Torrington, and Eleanor Tracy Adam in nearby East Canaan. Janet Goodrich Dresser visited Isabel Bullis Montague recently. Janet has a Brownie group and Isabel is still teaching music. Marion Barnett Halket is with the

Travelers Aid in Springfield, where Adele Knecht Sullivan lives. Adele and her family had a nice trip last summer through New England and along the Hudson River.

Idell Godard Redway's daughter is at Dana Hall in Wellesley Hills, and Marion Walp Bisbee is working at the New Haven library, filling in leisure hours with painting and writing. Dot Kilbourn and Kathleen Boyle see Dot Wigmore, who teaches in Middletown, regularly. Aileen Fowler Dike, who teaches in Windsor, had a pleasant summer in Lyme, N. H. As for me, I saw Jane Nevers and Ellen McGrath when they took the train back to Boston after spending Christmas with their families. Had hoped to go back with them, and to see Gid Locke, but no could do.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Betsey Allen who lost her mother last summer and to Peg Cort Palmer ex '25, who lost her husband last fall.

1926

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Marriages: Margaret Frances Ebsen to Mr. Frank Alexander Boehler, on Tuesday, the sixteenth of March, in Tenafly, New Jersey.

Inez Hess writes that Kay Dauchy Bronson has been enjoying bear meat and venison since her husband went on a hunting trip to New Hampshire.

Ruth Knup Wiederhold writes of a visit she had from Isabel Newton last fall. Ilsey teaches at McLean Hospital, and she, with the Directress of Nurses were in Washington at a conference. They had dinner at the Wiederhold's, and Ruth says that the children enjoyed Ilsey just as much as she did.

At a reception for President Park, given in New York by the New York, New Jersey, Westchester and Fairfield County Chapters, I saw and visited with Margie Ebsen, Maddie Smith Gibson, and Marge Thompson. I learned that Millie Dornan Goodwillie was getting ready to sail for Guatemala for an eight months' stay.

I neglected to mention our new class officers in the last issue of the News. They were elected at our class meeting at reunion. They are, Ruth McCaslin Marshall, president; Amy Wakefield, treasurer; and Edna Thistle, reunion chairman. Amy began her new job with a flourish, by collecting dues from every member present.

Franny Green found a very fine picture of Peg Smith' Hall's son in a Boston paper. He is a cadet at the Coast Guard Academy.

Sympathy is extended to Barbara Bell Crouch, whose father died early last fall.

Please send me news—all your classmates are interested in your doings.

1927

MRS. DONALD T. STEPENSON
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A letter from Dorothy Harris Clark from Albuquerque, New Mexico, brought the first news of her in many years. She gave up hospital work last year, but finds plenty to do as they have a large assortment of livestock. She says they would welcome any travelers on Highway 66—"first bunch of mailboxes west of the Rio Grande." Katharine Sembrada Couse and her husband have been living in a trailer in Red's back yard while Kitty's husband recuperates from an illness.

Florence Hopper Levick, her husband, and son took a trip to the Pacific coast this summer. Mary Wilcox Cross has moved back to Washington, Pennsylvania, where he husband will be rector of the Episcopal Church.

Eleanor Vernor writes of a visit with Elizabeth Higgins Capen in Boonton, N. J., where, as Nubs says, there is always something new and interesting going on. They have dammed up their brook to make a small lake with excellent swimming. Lib's husband is an amateur horticulturist and has planted the banks with ferns and flowers. They added a greenhouse to their house, to specialize in impatient plants and also grow orchids. Lib is experimenting in hybridization. Nubs also told news of Helen Smith Guy ex '27. She and her children traveled a lot during the war to be with her husband as long as he was in this country. Now they have finally found a place to live in Chicago and Jerry says she hopes they never have to move again.

Speaking of moves, Constance Noble Gatchell moved to Montclair, N. J., in July.

Louise Macleod Shute writes of a gathering in October of many 27-ites at the home of Natalie Benson Manley. At that time the chief attraction was the four-months-old son of Miriam Adis Wooding. Ruth Hitch-

cock's oldest son is a freshman at Hobart College. Natalie and Winifred Maynard Wright have both had hospital sieges this fall, now are fully recovered. Louise says of herself that she keeps busy with her eleven-year-old daughter, teaching voice and French, and singing in a quartet at Dwight Place Church in New Haven. Ruth Stevens Thornton also sings in a quartet in Meriden, Conn.

1928

MRS. C. STUART WHEATLEY, JR.
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My Christmas gleanings of '28 were not good although I was glad to see Peggy Noble's two charming daughters Helen and Debbie posed before a Christmas mantle. Sue Chittenden Cunningham's fine, sturdy son Jack, decorated a card, but Dot Davenport Voorhees's four lovely and individual young ladies were missing this year.

Jean Bradley Brooks did much better. Dot Blair Coffel couldn't come to reunion due to mumps which didn't materialize. Her husband is just over an emergency appendectomy with all the trimmings. "Thank goodness for penicillin," which our family echoes, as my husband had the same experience this summer. Say Say Schoenhut, in inimitable but non-decipherable handwriting wrote of moving, storing, and subletting and that she is in New Haven for the year where George is busy with —. What was that word, Say Say? It looked like crooks but that couldn't be right! Jean reported that she has two children, Donnie in kindergarten, and Janet in the 8th grade. Janet went to her first formal during the holidays and had the family in a dither for days.

It is with sorrow that I counted the number of '28 marked "Deceased" on my class list. Among them were dear friends of us all whose memories are still bright. Trumana Foote (Mrs. Robert Denison), Dot Lockridge, (Mrs. Dwight Parker), Eleanor Taylor (Mrs. Phillip W. Mussey), and Marion Kilbourn ex '28.

1929

MRS. ROBERT C. VROOM
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A newsy letter from Mary Scattergood Norris tells of their move to Wynnwood from Philadelphia last summer. Scat has been the busy secretary at the Baldwin

School, which Anne 10 and Vicky 7, attend. Spring will no doubt find the secretary becoming an expert gardener on the 1½ acres of ground surrounding their comfortable rambling home.

An icy trip to East Orange recently brought me an elevator chat with Polly Seavy Lee and young Judith, cute as they come, except for the scrapes from coasting.

All '29ers will be sorry to learn of the sudden death of Gordon Reed, the husband of Cynthia Lepper Reed on Dec. 16. Gordon had a great zest for living and made hosts of friends whose sympathy went to Cynthia, Cynthia Jane, 14 and John, 12. Cynthia is continuing her job as a social worker at the Pondville Hospital of Walpole, Mass.

1930

MARJORIE RITCHIE '30, *Correspondent*
Pondville Hospital, Walpole, Mass.

Edith Allen MacDiarmid and Mac have bought a house on Staten Island. There Edie had a pleasant visit with Constance Smith Langtry whose other guest was Marion Ransom.

Dorothy M. Barrett who teaches psychology at Hunter College also does vocational guidance counseling and research for the Bureau of Educational and Vocational Guidance at Hunter. On her own time, she has been doing some research which pertains to individual reactions to color and their significance in understanding personality. Her weekends are usually spent gardening in Windsor, Conn. In May Dot saw Ginny Joseph who was about to visit Evelyn Jerolds Moss before going to Florida. A picture of lovely country in Cape Breton came from Frieda Grout who enjoyed a trip over the Cabot Trail in August.

A year ago this fall, Hilton and Beanie Healy Holland adopted a baby boy, Charles Dana. Gail is three so they have a lively household. Hilton in principal of the high school in Bellows Falls, Vt. Beanie hoped to see Marita Gunther Williams while visiting at home.

From St. Paul came a surprise letter from Gretchen Langenbach Gray ex '30. Gret and her husband, who is the boy who used to call from Madison, Wis., have two daughters, Greta, 16, and Susan, 13. Gretchen, who was east in May, has had an interesting life. Her husband's work as regional "fashion" merchandiser for Montgomery Ward has given them a chance to live in New York and various parts of the country.

Isabel Gilbert Greenwood's last letter tells that the sixteen hundred people in Waterways and Ft. McMurray have been incorporated into one village called McMurray. There are two mounties. The employment of the people centers around the airport, a salt well producing hundreds of tons of ta-

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ble salt, and tar sands which produce oil. There are the two big transport companies—The Northern, and the Hudson Bay which also has ship-building yards. There are more stores, hotels, and movies in that tiny Canadian village than in the town where I stay. Iso has been on the school board trying to secure two good teachers. Her other major interest is Girl Guides (Scouts) for which she has been concerned in raising money to send four girls to camps in the southern part of the Province. The girls were excited about going. One of them came to McMurray when she was two and, at fifteen, had never been away.

Mercer Camp Stone is settled in a new house. Mercer's children are Ann who is in second year high and Carolyn who goes into junior high next year.

Helen Weil Elfenbein is busy with her fast growing family. Betsy 13, is as tall as Helen and a freshman at W.M.I. Billy, 10, is a real boy. Both children go to camp in Maine so that gives Heck and "Bones" who is assistant prosecuting attorney an excuse to vacation there too.

Elizabeth Weed Johnson with her husband and Carol 4, took a motor trip through the south visiting Tom's relatives. They continued to the middle west and returned through the Great Lakes region. Last summer they had their Cape Cod house redecorated inside and out.

Bertha Moskowitz was married last March to Stewart Udell who is director of the health club at the Y in Rome, N. Y. Together they have a figure control studio for women. The find the life busy and interesting.

Recently at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury I saw Helen Benson Mann with her thirteen year old daughter and six year old Wendy, one of the twins. We were pleased that we had recognized each other after all these years.

Late this fall I visited Mac and Edie Allen MacDiarmid and their four children. Roy and Allen have fine model free flight planes. I was very much impressed. Hughie makes gliders. One night Marion Ransom drove over from New Jersey and brought Connie Smith Langtry for an enjoyable evening. That weekend Bill and Ellie Meurer Chiswell and Jane were coming to New York to put Billy on the train for Baltimore. After their stay at Edie's, they stopped at my home in Shelton. It was good to see so many CC friends in one week.

Indirectly, Pondville was affected by the forest fires. At four-thirty one afternoon we were asked if we could take ninety-two children and sixty employees of the North Reading Sanatorium. It meant opening all the wards closed during the war. Absolutely everyone helped in making beds which were ready by quarter of six. Then the Nurses Aides and volunteers from nearby towns came and put the wards in perfect running order. Those children were wonderfully good and made the hospital seem a different place with cribs in the corridors.

(ED. NOTE: To members of '30: Your notes were omitted last time through no fault of your correspondent, so this issue finds you with a double batch.)

1931

Alice Kindler *Correspondent*
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More news of Jane Haines Bill. Spud was made assistant superintendent of Mt. Rainier National Park and they moved there Christmas 1946. "This fall we were completely isolated when a glacial stream wiped out a large area. We just missed Kewpie Hulbert Renwick (ex '31) who moved to Colorado Springs from Chicago just when we left Arizona. She would have been close to us as distances go out here. Sandy is 9 years old, a Cub Scout and full of business. I do all the housewifely things like Sunday School, P.T.A., and then have to entertain visiting celebrities which is a part of Park life."

Kay Bradley Wallace regrets lack of news. She visited home last summer but all her pals had either moved or were vacationing out of town. Her oldest daughter is in Junior High, wears a size nine shoe and is nearly as tall as her mother. Kay's other daughter is nine years old and holding her own in the fourth grade.

Carol Swisher Williams wrote a note on her Christmas card. Her children range from 3-6-9 years and only Tony isn't in school. She saw Edie Schneider MacGlashan and Heenie Moore Morris this summer. Heenie has a little step-daughter and her husband is a management engineer like Dwight.

Midge Smith Sites communicated via Christmas greetings too. "As for us, we just keep going along and the girls keep growing like weeds. Pat is now a fraction under five feet and is going to her first 'long dress' party. Prue and Betsy keep their aged mother stepping. Prue was three in October and Bets will be two in January. In six short years Pat will be ready for college. I leave the choice entirely up to her but I'd love it if she chose CC. We hope to drive down next summer and 'expose her.' This past summer we ran in on the Strong's (Elinor Smart) and their swell looking kids and also on the Carpenters (Bee Brooks) and their two cute boys."

Bonnie Bahney Wylie writes: "We live in an amazing house. I think it's the grandfather of all Newport houses. Simply huge, and I'm not only mistress, but chief cook, laundry, vacuum pusher and general chauffeur. Betsey is in school and Peter, almost three, is simply underfoot. We have a red setter dog and a black Persian cat to complicate things. Just a jolly all round community. That is what keeps me from doing anything newsworthy."

Saw Aurelia Hunt Robinson this fall.

Looking right chipper too, despite the fact that she must be run ragged with four boys, the youngest twins. They have been living in a state of chaos all summer, building an addition to their home. Anyone who has been even remotely involved in remodelling these days knows what that means.

C. B. Rice finally came up for air after her Christmas photographic rush and visited with me. The two of us have been trying to corral Tommy Larson Sperry. To date we haven't been successful. Tommy traipses all over the country and this fall spent a month in Europe. More of Mrs. G. L. S. when I finally see her.

1932

Mrs. H. Bradford Arnold
(Marion Nichols '32) *Correspondent*
Skaneateles, N. Y.

Born: To Edward and Ruth Caswell Clapp on May 21, 1947, Nancy Elizabeth Clapp.

During 1947 Priscilla Dennett Willard visited Katherine Adams Lodge in Arizona, Alice Winston Lieban in Texas, and Pauline Watts Inch, ex '32 in Canada. Polly has two daughters, the youngest being Gloria 2, not previously reported here. Marjorie Bradshaw Adams now lives in Milwaukee where Charles is director of purchases for G.E. X-ray Corp. Donald 7, had a long siege of rheumatic fever last year. Diane 3½, is a curly-headed blonde. Charles recently did business with Dorothy Bell Miller's husband, Larry. Besides the daughter listed above, Ruth Caswell Clapp has two sons, David 6, and Stephen 9. Ruth's father died a year ago. Ruth Judd Green's children are Tom 10, Skipper 8, Jeff 4 and Judy 2. Ruth and Bob went to Amherst in June for Bob's 20th reunion where she saw Eleanor Roe Merrill whose husband was Bob's roommate. Juddie's surgeon brother Ed died Dec. 31, 1947. Marcia Ray Richards lives in Silver Springs, Md., since Furr was transferred to Washington last July. Son Billy is in second year high school.

Priscilla Moore Brown's husband got his long-deferred engineering degree last June and is working for First National Stores purchasing and installing new machinery, etc., in the plant where they put up their foods. Sons Steven 9 and Duncan 5½ are both in school. Mary Louise Kent ex '32, formerly of the WAC, is running V.A. libraries in New York and Puerto Rico. Ann Thornton Malcolm ex '32, lives in Fayetteville, Tenn., where her husband is minister of the First Baptist Church. Her twin sons, 15, are 5'7"—Ann is only 4'11". Frances Taylor Buck has two beautiful children, Connie 9 and Johnnie 7. Alice Russell Reaske lives in Upper Montclair. Her children are Holly 9½ and Chris 6. Betty Linscott lives at home but Pree says "her hours as a business girl and mine as a

housewife don't seem to coincide." However, Pree did see Ruth Baylis when Bayl was visiting her sister Peg at Christmas time.

Julia Salter Ferris' children are Ann 7 and Allison 1. Last spring Peg saw Rachel Tyler Carroll—"Ray hasn't changed, but it's hard to believe she has two big noisy boys." Virginia Snow Allen ex '32 has two daughters, Susan 6 and Sarah 4. Lois Saunder Porteous ex '32, has an intriguing address: Sunshine Plantation, Napoleonville, La. Eleanor Wilcox Sloan's children are Billy 12, Richard 10, and Marjory Ann 1. Col. Sloan is with the Air Transport Command in Newfoundland, but Ellie expects to be back for reunion in 1950. Virginia Stephenson is chief of the Educational Research Service at the National Education Association in Washington, working hard and traveling occasionally. We certainly need a reunion for all hands: Peg Leland Weir was moving in or out of somewhere and thought she saw a familiar face—it was Laura Taft Clements.

We are now caught up on all news at hand, covering about half of our class in the last three issues.

1933

MRS. EDWIN B. HINCK

(Margaret Royall) *Correspondent*

29 Carolin Road, Upper Montclair, N. J.

The ironbound winter that we have had here in Jersey and vicinity seems finally to have lost its grip. Why is it that a soft spring breeze always makes me long for a glimpse of the Sound, from the steps of the Library—for example? ?

Got some swell tid-bits of news from Virginia Donald Usher. We usually meet in the rain outside of the school where our young-uns go—she in her car and I in mine—but today we had a long chat over the 'phone and here's what I found out. Esther Barlow, whom Don had seen at a Bowdoin Glee Club concert the other night, is doing some interesting work in a civilian capacity over on Governor's Island—something to do with information and education. It was Esther's brother in the Bowdoin Glee Club (Don's husband is an alumnus) who had brought her over to East Orange. Don noted in passing that said brother was an infant of five when he used to visit his sister at C.C.

I hear—also from Don—that Elizabeth Worden is organist in one of the large churches in Worcester, Mass. She teaches piano the rest of the week.

Like all good P.T.A.ers Don and I got on the subject of children, of all things. Incidentally she has three: David, 8½, Deborah, 5½, and Leslie, 4½. She told me that she hears occasionally from Betty Zerweck Drumm, who lives in Springfield, N. J., and has a 4 year old son. I didn't

realize either that Louise Sales Bornstein's daughter is 13. The Bornsteins have a boy about seven, too.

Got a very newsy card from Marjorie Fleming Brown the other day. Will quote: "The Browns are all fine and all busy. Kathie is six soon and in kindergarten. Richard is 10 and only four inches shorter than I. Bill is with the Shell Oil Co., in Boston. Did you know that Helen Wellis Christensen has moved to Kansas City, Mo.? She is the only C.C. girl for miles around."

It is indeed pleasant to get a card with news of two families. Wish you'd all go and do likewise.

1934

ANNE G. SHEWELL *Correspondent*

230 Canton Ave., Milton 87, Mass.

Born: To John and Eleanor Hine Kranz, a daughter, Mary Virginia, on Sept. 26, 1947. The Kranz's also have two boys, aged 8 and 6.

From Christmas cards I gleaned some news of the class. Betsy Turner Gilfillan wrote that she had moved again, and now hopes that she is settled for good in Swarthmore, Pa. She keeps busy with her three children, but in addition does church work, square dancing, and belongs to mothers' clubs, a duck club, and has now taken up gardening, this winter in the laundry. Babe Baylis Skelton sent a photographic card showing her family of four children, all blondes. She has two boys and two girls, ranging in age from 9 to 1½. Liz Moon Woodhead also sent a picture of her four active children, three boys and a girl, aged nearly 12 to 3½. Ernie Herman Katz and family are back in Chicago in their own home. Her husband runs a diaper service and Ernie helps him.

Before Christmas I went to Marblehead, Mass., and had lunch with Benny Halverson and Julie McVey Rolfe. Benny fed her two boys, aged 9 and 7, early, and sent them back to school, and we had an unin-

terrupted gabfest. Julie's twins and Benny's older boy are in the same class at school. Minna Barnett Nathan was ill and hospitalized last summer, but is better now. She has two girls, 9 and 5, and they are living in Glens Falls, N. Y. Jane Trace Spragg has a girl 7½ and a boy 4½. She sees Alice Taylor Gorham often, as they both live in Rochester, N. Y. Jane says her hair is fast turning white and she hopes that our next reunion will hurry. For all those who asked when that event takes place, the date is 1950.

1935

BARBARA HERVEY *Correspondent*

12 May St., Needham 92, Massachusetts

Marriages: Virginia King to the Rev. James H. Carver, June 24, 1947.

Birth: To Bill and Millie Wanner Wilson, a son, Charles Wanner, on November 12, 1946. To Paul and Anna Lamb Felton ex '35, a son, Paul Morley III, on September 27, 1947. To Gene and Kaye Cartwright Backus, a son, Stephen Cartwright, on February 26, 1947. To Bill and Bobby Pratt, a son, David Birney, on October 4, 1947. To Dick and Kay Jenks Morton, a son, Richard Charles, on December 11, 1947. To Kurt and Dottie Schaub Schwartzkopf, second son, Karl August Arthur, on October 16, 1947. To Tobias and Rhoda Perlo Weinberg, a son, David Jonathan, on April 21, 1946.

Let's start getting caught up on some of the other children of the class of '35. Lillian Greer Glascock, Ellen Louise 2½, and a son, John, born September 16, 1947. Polly Spooner Hayes, Barbara, born November 6, 1947, joins a brother and sister (no names or ages given). Bette Gerhart Richards, Parke III, Jan Gerhart (who passed away in 1946 of pneumonia at six months) and Judith Brackett, born October 11, 1947. Vera Warbasse Spooner, Carol 4½, and Eric 2½. Marge Wooser Koblit, Kenneth 9, an' Mary Ellen 2½. Mary Savage Collins, Fara 2, and Robert Thomas, Jr., born December 26, 1947. Ceil Silverman Grodner, Brian 3. Mim Francisco Rice ex '35, Tommy and Nancy. Virginia Tice Thomas ex '35, Carolyn, Joel and Susan. Marty Funkhouser Adamson ex '35, Joanne 14, Jacqueline and Johnny. Jay Gray Olt ex '35, Nancy 7, Johnny 5, and Mary born January 25, 1947. Doris Steinfeld ex '35, Jim 6, Ann 5 and Bobby 2. Frances Rush Caldwell, Joyce 4½, Larry 2½ and Carolyn 1½. Babs Stott Tolman, Nancy 5½ and Jody 2½.

Ham Harburger Stern and her husband sold their former home in Elkins Park and moved to her family home in Melrose Park, Penn. Ham keeps busy being Girl Scout leader, president of Friends Select School Alumnae Association, active in Connecticut College club of Philadelphia and on Phila-

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delphia Orchestra Committee. During football season Millie Wanner Wilson met Mary Jane Barton Shurts in Hanover, and at the Penn-Princeton game Don and Ginnie Golden Kent were two rows behind Millie and Bill. Mary Savage Collins saw John and Betty Lou Bozell Forrest at the Yale-Harvard game in New Haven. Bette Gerhart Richards writes that her husband is now head of hospital sales for Hoffman La Roche, Inc., a pharmaceutical house, and they live in Nutley, N. J., where the firm is located.

Marty Warren Rankin and her husband are enjoying being back in Hartford after an absence of about eight years. Five '35ers were with Mary for their annual "gang" party this past Christmas. Dot Schaub Schwarzkopf, Bobbie Birney Pratt, Mary-Al Davis Chappell, Marion White, and Subby Burr Sanders. Kay Jenks Morton's new son prevented her from attending. Vera Warbasse Spooner's husband, Willett, changed jobs last year—is now Professor of Marine Engineering at University of Michigan. He changed from Mechanical to Marine Engineering, as his hobby has always been building boats, and now he is teaching in that field.

Mary Blatchford is kept busy with her work as Registrar at Lasell Junior College, Auburndale, Mass.—535 students and 60 faculty. The ancestral home of Mary's family at Brownfield, Maine, was one of two in the center of town to escape the forest fire last fall. Trying to help in the emergency following the disaster was a terrific experience for Mary. Marge Loeser Koblitz and her husband were east in the fall of '46, and enjoyed a visit with Ham Harburger Stern.

Pudge Sawtelle Ehrlich has just finished a seminar at Longy School of Music and is now teaching private classes in music and rhythms for children, as well as some piano lessons. Her daughter Sally is in one of the classes, and enjoys it as much as her mother. Ceil Silverman Grodner sent me a new release entitled "Novel Baby Sitters Service Inaugurated in Mt. Vernon," which is proving to be a very active business. Her husband is back from the Army and setting up his dental practice again. They have both been made members of the Board of Directors of Mt. Vernon Symphony Society, and Ceil was elected secretary. During the summer she was made chairman of volunteers in the office of Community Chest. She is also a member of Junior Aid League, Mt. Vernon Hospital Auxiliary, and of a business and professional group.

1947 was travel year for Julius and Merion Ferris Ritter—Merion's trip to Pacific Northwest, Julius' fishing trip to Canada, and Christmas holidays together with Julius' parents in Illinois. After two years of more than average interest in real estate sections of newspapers, Kaye Cartwright Backus is gradually accustoming herself to a quiet life in their new home in Old Greenwich, Conn., where they moved in October. She

writes that it is wonderful to have the entire family together every day, and not just over weekend. Dora Steinfeld Todd ex '35, was back on campus in February for Alumnae Council.

Jimmy Francis Toye is taking an advanced degree in her social service work in London, which is with children who have been deprived of a normal home life. Both of Jimmy's children are in school now. I had a thrilling summer vacation on a conducted tour of Glacier National Park, west coast, British Columbia, and back through Lake Louise and Banff. Hank and Babs Stott Tolman had a wonderful weekend with Dan and Kay Woodward Curtiss last fall. Then Babs saw Ruthie Fordyce McKeown for a day in New York when Ruthie was east in November.

Does anyone know the whereabouts of Betty Merrill, EB Bates Doob, or Ruthie Howell? Mail is returned unclaimed from current addresses.

Have a fascinating letter from Harriette Webster and Sally Stearns Grennan ex '35. For lack of space will save it, along with other news, for the next issue.

The class extends its sympathy to Ham Harburger Stern in the loss of her father in September.

1937

THEODORA P. HOBSON *Correspondent*
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Births: To Larry and Gille Cate Hull a second son, Brooks Grendell, on December 14. This is the only birth I have to report this time. Surely there must be arrivals who have never been recorded. I know we're more prolific than this would appear so don't be reticent—keep us posted on the latest details.

Via the Alumnae Office and the *New York Herald Tribune* I discovered that Rokie Brown is now Mrs. Edward Hansen and lives in Athens, Ohio. Prior to this, she was graduated from the Yale University School of Nursing and served on the staff of the surgical department of the University of Colorado Hospital in Denver. Liza Bissell Carroll sent a cute Christmas card of the four Carrolls. Her two boys are darling and Liza looks fine and dandy. She said Denver is just too far away to reunite with anyone but she did see Rokie Brown Hansen at a CC. alumnae tea there in May. There is a Denver alumnae chapter and both Mr. Cobbledick and Miss Moss were speakers there last fall. Liza has a practically brand new house which she is trying to landscape when the five dogs and two boys aren't interfering.

I spent a weekend with Becky Holmes Hazeltine ex '37, at West Point. She and Hazy are stationed there for two years and love it. They have nifty quarters and lead a very social life. Part of Hazy's job is en-

tertaining cadets and their families so Becky is kept on the run, but she looks perfect and has lost many pounds since college days. I went supposedly for overnight but a snowstorm kept me from leaving, much to my delight.

Dutch Kemmer Wheelock ran into Liz Ayer Newman ex '37, in White Plains last fall. They stared at one another for a short minute before either recognized the other, for twelve long years had intervened since Liz had left following sophomore year. Liz, Frank and the children are nicely settled in Scarsdale and Liz reported that Milly and Don Metz and three children are living in Greenwich, Conn. Dutchie said that Jibby Mapes Hamel was expected soon in these parts from her Texas orange grove. I saw Fred Korsemeier, brother of Alex, at a wedding reception in October where my sister was bridesmaid and he an usher. We reminisced for nearly an hour on college proms and people in the classes of '37 and '38 at CC. and Yale. Alex Korsemeier Stevenson had moved the preceding day from Scarsdale to Cincinnati.

Speaking of moving—Dave and Stell Campbell Leetch are leaving Baltimore and going to Hagerstown, Md., as soon as they can find living quarters. Dave has been promoted to district manager for Coca Cola. Stell was up for Christmas but unfortunately I saw her only once because of the terrific blizzard experienced by N.Y.C. and vicinity. By the time you read this Lee Gilson Williams, Bob and their young son will have enjoyed a Bermuda trip and Mary Degnan a Caribbean cruise. Had lunch with Dottie Wadhams Cleaveland on her annual New York visit. She and her family have had a series of illnesses and operations but are all flourishing now and keeping their fingers crossed.

At a P.T.A. meeting in Torrington recently whom should Dot meet but Ruth Pierce Buckley. Ruth has settled in Goshen, Conn., where her husband John is practicing medicine. Dottie says Ruth has three lovely children and is living in a house built by Dottie's grandfather. Dot's own two are "wild Indians"—Dorothy almost 9 and Bob 3—both very attractive from snaps. Dottie sees Jan Benjamine Steele frequently and she has two very cute boys—a blond 4-year-old and a red-head, 2.

Last but definitely not least I must tell you about Norma Bloom Hauserman's trip east in November and the reunion we had while she was here. Considering that everything was practically on the spur of the moment we all agreed we had an admirable turn-out. Nine people came and six declined for legitimate reasons. We had planned to meet for cocktails at Coco Tillotson's and then go around the corner to the Sulgrave for dinner. The day of the get-together Coco phoned me frantically to say the painters had suddenly descended on her apartment. Not being able to contact all concerned, Coco left a note on her door saying to go directly to the Sulgrave. One by

one everyone arrived and we seemed to start conversations just where we left off ten years ago in Windham and Jane Addams dining rooms. Whether it was the cocktails I don't know, but everyone was very loquacious and vivacious. Every possible subject was discussed plus every member of the class of '37. Did your ears burn? We even asked Dobbie to lead us in a song, but she modestly declined in favor of more dignified matters. Besides Coco, Normie and myself were Weezie Langdon, who is working for her family's firm, Dot Daly, who commutes from Gladstone, N. J., to her position in Rockefeller Centre, Betty Gilbert Gehle, Dobbie Wheeler Oliver, Dot Baldwin, who teaches junior high in Caldwell, N. J., and Ginny Deuel who flew all the way up from Baltimore for the occasion—P.S. Ginny is associated with American Airlines but we appreciated her coming so far anyway and she certainly added to the hilarity of the affair. Afterwards we retired to Coco's to survey the paint job. Dobbie and Gil discovered they each had two little girls the exact same ages and each had a Susan.

Those who couldn't be with us were Cille Cate Hull, Dutch Kemmer Wheelock, Dot Wadhams Cleaveland, Bette Adams Lane, Betty Carson McCoy and Stell Campbell Leetch. They had all hoped to make it but last minute circumstances made it impossible. After a week of parties (Cille Cate Hull also entertained in honor of Norma and John) Normie returned to Cleveland. We hated to see her go but we felt we had had a successful, if too small reunion. A great disappointment was having Margo Coulter 3000 miles away.

Last minute news—Coco Tillotson, besides her regular position at Unitarian Service Committee has been hard at work making costumes for a new musical "On Your Way," which opened in Paterson, N. J., on the evening of Jan. 13. Coco has high hopes of its eventually coming to N.Y.C. At this point she's dead tired, having worked day and night for weeks.

1938

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MRS. DANIEL W. von BREMEN, Jr.

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Births: To Daniel and Carman Palmer von Bremen, Robert Walton, Nov. 13, 1947; to Robert and Elisabeth Cherry Spier, Peter Day, October 28; to Fred and Marie Schwenk Waring, Jr., Melinda, June, 1946; to Ellsworth and Helen Weeks Sterner, a son, November, 1947.

Carman is busy with Robby so it's Winnie taking over. I heard second-hand of

Eunice Morse's marriage—but no details, or married name.

Roy and Mrs. Schaffer are still on campus at Mary Harkness, but Roy's wife, Doris, died last year. Doris Bacon is now teaching foreign languages at New London Junior College. Beryl Campbell just returned from a one month visit with Dan and Judy Waterhouse Draper in Orlando, Florida. Liz Fielding signs herself, "Miss G.O.P." (Remember our "Quom Preen?"). Howard and Margaret Irwin Langborgh are in their own new home with Dick, "8 months, 21 pounds, and a rascal." Selma Silverman Swatsburg is a nutrition consultant with the Connecticut State Department of Health. Ra Brainard Bowie writes of the quail season in Mitchellville, Md., wondering "why anything so small should be shot." Bob and Augusta Strauss Goodman's little girl, Lynn, has been seriously ill—good luck to her. Joseph and Ellen Murray Entzinger are new homeowners in Bay City, Texas, and Joseph has a law office there. Helen Swan Stanley is busy with the League of Women Voters—even David, 5, pushes fliers under front doors.

So many kindergarten-age children. Listen to the roll call: Ted and Marjorie Mintz Dietz's children, Jane, 5½, Johnny, 2; Stan and Sally Kinsdale Lewenberg, Stephen, 5, Franklin, 2½; Dave and Helen Swan Stanley, David, 5, Margaret 3½; Bob and Jinny Wilson Hart, three boys and a tomboy girl; Walter and Elsie Schwenk Fullerton, Allen, 6, Elaine, 4, Larry, 15 months; Ernest and Audrey Krause Maron, Tommy, 5, Andy, 1½; Armour and Peg Ball Craig, James, 6, Sara Margaret, 1.

1939

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Births: Harriet Ernst Veale and "Tink" have their second child, a son, "Tinker" born on October 12, 1947. Rose Lazarus Shinbach's second son, Edward, was born on December 6, 1947. Estelle Taylor Watson and "Westy's" daughter, Susan Taylor, was born on November 3, 1947.

Then there are the incomplete reports as to names and birthdays of Pat Pope Fairbairn's new second son; Gwen Jones Oesterheld's baby daughter to join her two sons; and Marian Chandler Thompson's twins, Jack and Jill.

Jane Kelton Shoemaker and Charlie are living in Slater, Mo., where they are greatly enjoying life in a small town. Peg McCutcheon Skinner had a quick visit with Betty Ide Cosper when she and husband were spending the holidays in New York. Janie Guilford Newlin has two too active children—Jack 4, and daughter Dudley, 1. "Pinky" King Congdon is surviving a Du-luth, Minn., winter by doing Junior League

volunteer work — especially in the local CARE office and with the mobile TB X-ray Unit. After working as a secretary for former President Hoover for three years, Janet Mead is now one of three secretaries for Mr. Victor Emanuel and finds it very interesting. Ruth Wilson Cass and Tom are "real" Californians for they are now living in an apartment "on a nob just off Nob Hill with a cable car going past the front door." Both their daughters are in school; Linda, in first grade, and Debbie, in kindergarten.

We all wish Marjorie Mortimer Kenny the speediest recovery possible from a long and serious attack of poliomyelitis. Stricken last May, she is now able to move about the house, but as yet, is unable to manage stairs or streets alone. Dottie Leu Loomis writes that she is enjoying the morning nursery school she has for children 4-5, including her two boys among the pupils.

1940

BARBARA HOMER, *Correspondent*
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Births: To Walter and Olive McIlwain Kerr a son, Scott Stratton, on July 17, 1947. Ray and Jerry Wilgoos Betts a son, Peter Raymond, on July 22, 1947. William and Sylvia Wright Poole a daughter, Barbara Wright, on July 26, 1947. John and Edith Irwin Whelden a daughter, Joanne Dodge, on August 19, 1947. Aaron and Bumpy Deane Almstead a daughter, Ann Goodwin, on September 13, 1947. Gilbert and Letitia (Dollie) Jones Leigh a son, Philip McElvey, on September 20, 1947. William and Pat Alford French a daughter, Elizabeth Correll, on October 24, 1947. William and Barbara Wynne Secor, their third child, a son, John Hoover, on November 1, 1947. Morrison and Francis Kelley Bump, their third child and first son, Morrison McElvey, Jr., on November 22, 1947. William and Dorothy Rowand Rapp a daughter in June, 1947.

I know that everyone will be grieved to learn that two members of our class have died this past year. Lucy Dix Harrison this November in Texas, after a sudden illness, and Barbara Bass Baldwin.

Such a change from the war years when everyone was living in cramped quarters, was in fact lucky to have a roof over their heads, to learn now of the niftie homes some are moving into. Bumpy Deane Olmsted's converted farm house sounds super—the last word, strictly modern and complete with all the new gadgets. Peg White Mecham and family have recently moved into a lovely Dutch Colonial house in Cambridge which had been all redecorated about a year ago—quite a find. Betty Gehrig Streater has taken up the piano again and last winter, in addition to keeping house for her husband and daughter, Noel, gave piano lessons to beginners.

Ginger Clark Bininger wrote that Doris Hart Zimmerman and family, a little boy and a girl, had dropped in to see her recently. Ginger said that Dorrie was thinking of running a woolen shop in her home in New Britain—remnants of fine woolen material which she will sell at a big reduction. Sounds like a fine idea—hope we hear more about it. Tony Holcomb Dewey's father was the guest speaker at the last meeting of the Alumnae in Boston—and may I add he was most interesting and charming—and such a class turnout as we had. Olive McIlwain Kerr, Peg White Mechem, Betty Barron Dingman, Frances Kelley Bump, Snooky Rowley Fellows and Betty Lundberg—it was like old home week. My older brother, Dick, whom I think most of you know, recently announced his engagement to Laddie Irwin of Montclair, New Jersey. I went down for the event and saw Ginnie Bell and Gladys Bachman while there. Both looked fine—Ginnie is still working in Montclair for an insurance company and Glad talked of looking for a job, but did not have one at that time.

1941

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Marriages: Here are a few "oldies." Nancy Cushing to John G. Bisgrove in August, 1945. She met him in the Red Cross. They are living in Denver. Betsey Barker to George McKenna last February. Jane Whipple was married to Ernest T. Shaw on October 11 with Barbara Miller as maid-of-honor. On January 10 of this year a "Chickie" Wray was married to Burrell Lindsay. I understand that they are living in Charlotte, N. C. There are a few other marriages about which the Alumnae Office informed me, but I know none of the details. Dorothea Wilde is now Mrs. Desmond L. Crawford, Edith Looker ex '41, has taken the name of Arthur H. Mitchell, Ginny Fullerton Christie has been Mrs. Francis X. Connors, Jr., since sometime last June or July and B. Q. Hollingshead is now Mrs. Elwyn Seelye II.

Birth: A girl, Cathy, was welcomed by Jesse and Betty Neiley Cleveland last January 26; Irving and Beebe Berman Levy are the proud parents of Geoffrey Wolfe, born June 22; Ian and Ann Breyer Ritson's third child and second girl, Carol Ann, was born June 28, "and she's a redhead" Ann adds. Ann also wrote that Bets Byrne Anderson and Will had a boy whom they have named Tommy, born sometime around the first of July. The same Nancy and John Bisgrove mentioned above had a son born July 23 whom they have named Mark Cushing Bisgrove. Incidentally, all of this news about "Cush" comes through the courtesy of her father who found one of my old pleas lying about the house. Parents are so obliging!

A second child, Marilyn Sprague Maddocks, was born to John and Marianne Upson Maddocks sometime about the middle of July. Shirley Stuart Fick wrote me that Peder has a brother, Christopher Carl, born on September 17. They are living in an old farm house in Holland, Mass. Carl is writing and Stuie is remodeling. Lindo Procter was the big production in the Hickox household this past year. She was born to John and Marge Griesse ex '41 Hickox on October 22. Ed and Anita Kenna Doonan have the birthday of Sally to celebrate every November 6. A girl, Glenn, was born to Leonard and Kay Ord McChesney on November 10 and Minot and Beth Main Chandler have a second girl, Barbara Karoli, born on December 7.

The general news is really general. Betty Neiley Cleveland was north in May but not many of us saw her, what with the excitement of being here for the first time in a year and showing Cathy to all the various friends and relatives. Ann Breyer Ritson is making great strides—she and Ian had a housewarming in the house that Ian designed and practically built. He also built a summer cottage and a Snipe sailboat. They saw Janet Bunyan Kramer and Hank last spring. Janet and Hank are the proud possessors of two English bulldogs (in a Chicago apartment). Mary Ware writes that she is still working for her doctor plus a couple more, all due to inflation no doubt, and that Linnea Paavola has left her job with Aetna and is now Registrar for the University of Connecticut Law School in Hartford. Don't forget reunion in June. Start making plans now and let's have a big turnout.

1942

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Marriage: Florence Crockett to Loring Edward Harkness, Jr., on Friday, Nov. 14, 1947, in Westport, Conn.

Births: To Barbara (Barry Beach) and James P. Alter, a second child, first son, John Copley, on Aug. 31, 1947, in Landour, India. To Jean (Pilling) and Bob Messersmith, a second child, first son, James Pilling, on November 19, 1947. To Virginia (Little) and Charles S. Miller, a son Thomas Claiborne, on November 20, 1947. To Barbara (Bobby Brengle) and Walter W. Wriston, a daughter, Catherine Bigelow, on December 8, 1947. To Virginia (Peter Frey) and Rolliston W. Lincolton, Jr., a son, Lincoln Hurst, on December 24, 1947.

About two weeks after the deadline for the last issue, I received a newsworthy letter from Sue Sprague Morse ex '42. She reports that she and her husband C. L., son John 5½, and daughter Sally 3½, left

Milford, Conn., where they have lived since 1941, in May 1946, to settle in Nonquitt, Mass., a summer colony. C. L. has his own business designing boats. They bought an old house and are busy night and day fixing it over, with much fun and work still ahead. Last July all four of them went for a 9 day cruise in Buzzard's Bay on a 31 foot sloop. Sue anticipates our reunion this spring, like all the rest of us.

Received a Christmas card from Sarah Guio Fisher and family from the Netherlands, where Sarah's husband Dale is third secretary to the embassy. On the card was a picture of their adorable 2½ year old daughter Sally in Dutch costume. To quote Sarah, "Would love to know if there are any of the C.C. gang in this part of the world. We have been here nearly a year now—very, very gay life. The Dutch are wonderful and are really working hard to get on their feet—amazing the difference in a year's time. Very busy, about to make our third move—trying to learn Dutch (difficult language)—forced to for our Sally is speaking it like a native."

An interesting letter from Barry (Beach) and Jim Alter from India reporting the birth of their son, was posted in September and arrived late in October. Landjour, the town where they were situated, is near the border of the Punjab and is crowded with refugees, Hindus and Sikhs. They related in some detail the magnitude and savagery of this 'civil war,' but pointed out that it is not unique either in India or world history, and that it would be unfair to judge India and Pakistan too harshly yet. They say that so far Indian Christians have not been molested unless mistaken for Hindus or Moslems, and that Americans and Europeans have been quite safe. Missionaries have opened refuge centers, and the mission hospitals are crowded. All this has not affected the life of Ewing College, where they are, too seriously. Jim is one of the two non-Indian staff members of this Intermediate (Junior) college, and divides his work between teaching English and being director of religious education. The proportion of Christian students is small, although the school was founded by the American Presbyterian Mission. Most of the students are Hindu, but there are a goodly number of Moslems. Ordinarily, we do not print addresses in these columns, but Barry, having been so far away for so long would undoubtedly enjoy hearing from some '42ers, so we shall make a concession. She may be reached, with a "please forward," through The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., 165 Fifth Ave., New York 10, N. Y.

A Christmas letter from Jane (Woody Worley) and Paul Peak reveals that they now have an apartment in the same place where they were living, the home of Mrs. Hazel Wightman of tennis fame, in Boston. Paul is commanding officer of the Argo, a Coast Guard cutter, which is in-commission-in-reserve. In addition he does legal work

for the 1st Coast Guard District and participates in the Return of the World War II Dead program. Woody had an appendectomy this fall and during her convalescence she and Paul resumed work on one of her old hobbies, genealogy.

A talk with Marjorie (Putty) Linder's father during the holidays revealed that Putty is still in Germany, now as a civilian with the Army rather than with the Red Cross. She will probably be there some time yet, and when she severs connections with the Army she and a friend plan to do some rather extensive travelling in Europe before returning home.

Early this month I had a surprise telephone call from Peggy Mitchell (the blonde Peggy) Boyer. She and her husband were in Dayton from Detroit visiting friends, and as they arrived in town a truck ran into their car and wrecked it completely. Their friends, however, obligingly brought them around the next day. Hadn't seen Peggy since she left C.C. way back in '39 or '40. She and Frank have three children, Frank 6, David 5, and Mary Margaret (Mimi) 15 months. From their pictures they are darling, and the Boyer house looks to be a dream. Peggy looks wonderful—hasn't changed, as have none of us.

During Christmas vacation, Nancy (Pribe) and Bill Greenfield were here for several days from Washington, and what a wonderful reunion that was for us. We saw them a lot, and their two handsome blond children, Bill 3½, and Linda nearly 2. All four of us went to the Junior League Ball together and there we saw Louisa Bridge Egbert and her husband John who were up from Cincinnati for the big event. Louisa reports her two children, Louisa and Johnny, are into everything. Nance and Bill have just sold their house in Arlington, Va., and rented another in the same place, anticipating a move that may never come.

1943

MRS. SAMUEL SILVERSTEIN
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Marriages: Katharine E. Johnson to Harley Scheetz Anders, Oct. 25, in Elizabeth, N. J. Joyce Johnson to Lionel St. Peter, June 14, in Washington, D. C. Elizabeth Failor to Herman A. Woodworth. Margaret Perkins ex '43, to Lee Strohl.

Births: To David and Mary Surgenor Baker, a second child, first daughter, Mollie, Oct. 14. To Raymond and Alice Brewer Cummings, a first child, Donald Clark, Oct. 9.

First, a cheery note from Alice Brewer Cumings of Syracuse, N. Y., with news of a new son; and of Ralph and Lois Anne Nagel Martin who are civilians again, back from Germany, living in East Orange, N. J. Alice hopes '43's two other Syracuseites

Jane Folts Lewis and Janet Sessions Beach will get in touch with her. Beth Mildon Merece note briefly that Tar Baby, her feather-footed cocker spaniel, "had nine pups; they were precious but lots of work. Daughter Sue is walking and chattering these days." Beth and Jane Storms both wrote of Mary Jane Dole Morton, who is at the University of Washington studying for a degree along with husband John. Stormie is assistant buyer in the maple furniture department of Macy's in New York.

On our way back from a two weeks' jaunt to Florida, Sam Pussy Foot and I stopped at Sea Island, Ga., to see Mary Surgenor Baker and family. Her son Sandy promptly took a liking to Pussy Foot, which cat somehow managed to stay two steps ahead of Sandy. Sandy has those long lashes every girl dreams of. Surgie looks wonderful too, and we met husband Dave, and daughter Mollie for the first time. Dave works at the Colister Hotel there, and Mollie mostly slept. Dave and Surgie have a cute little bungalow and Surgie hopes that her children won't "catch" the Southern accent.

We had a rendezvous with Joyce Johnson St. Peter in the shadow of Washington Monument. Pussy Foot, travelled cat that he is, curled up for a nap in Joyce's lap. Joyce is still working for Drew Pearson, and is doing a good deal of writing for him, including radio scripts and editorials. When an article about Drew Pearson appeared in Look Magazine recently, Joyce's picture was included too, and the Look reporter termed her as Pearson's "smart girl investigator." Joyce and husband Lionel have an apartment in nearby Arlington, Va. Joyce said that Mary Bove is supervisor of nurses at Hartford Hospital, and that Virginia Leary is teaching at Norwich Free Academy.

Jim and Mary Louise Walsh Thackeray and daughter Anne, are now in Newark, Del., while Jim works for his master's degree. This news comes from Lynn Thomson Spicer who lives near the Bosquet ski run in Pittsfield, Mass., with husband Farnum, and a new English setter Jake.

Our sympathy to Lynn and Farnum on the loss of their infant daughter.

1944

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Through a misunderstanding with the Alumnae Association, your correspondent provided no copy for the last two issues of the News. My apology goes to all of you, especially those who have written me news items since the omissions.

To make up for lost time, the biggest news is birth in the last few months. Congratulations to all of you who have experi-

enced the happy event. I must report with great sadness one tragedy in this connection, however. Lolly Bobrow Rabinowitz had a son, Theodore on October 11, 1947, and died of complications three weeks later. I'm sure all of you share my personal feelings of sadness in Lolly's death, and extend sympathy to her family.

Norma and Nat Teft, who changed their name legally from Tepp, had a son, Charles Eliot, on July 25, 1947. They are in Cambridge, where Nat is at Harvard Law School. Jeanne Jacques and Roger Kleinschmidt have a daughter, Linda Jeanne, who was born on August 2. They are living in Easton, Pa. On August 26 the George Tifts of Arlington Farms, Va., had a son, Charles Pilling Tift.

The fall brought motherhood to several more classmates. To Gigi Hawkes Watson, a boy, Douglas, their second child. Ethel Sproul Felts and Lewayne had a second child, Janet Sproul Felts on September 8. I saw Ethel while she was in these parts having the baby, and report the two girls are both darling, especially Barbara, aged two. Ethel and Looney have bought a house in Miami for use while Looney is stationed there in the Coast Guard air force. Mary Lou Duncombe Knight and Dick had a son Kenneth on September 9. Al Fager Wallace has two girls now, also. Her daughter Susan Frances was born September 30 in Tempe, Arizona. Bill is out of the Coast Guard and they are settled in their own home in Tempe, where Bill is assistant superintendent of a power plant. Laurie Wallace, their older child, is a year and a half old now. Jean Buck Brenner and Jerry have a daughter named Deborah Phillips Brenner, born December 30, 1947. That's all for the moment. But there must be more that I don't know about!

I got a nice letter from Cymi Murray telling me of her marriage way back in April, 1947 to Thomas Jack. After a honeymoon in Sea Island, they are now living in their own 4½ room apartment in Grand Rapids.

Judy Hochberg ex '44 was married on December 26, 1947 to Harold Edelman, and they have an apartment in Greenwich Village, New York City.

Other activities of interest: Helen Crawford Tracy is now living in Poughkeepsie, New York, where Bill is working with IBM. They own their own home there. Pat Douglass is working for a Masters in zoology at Washington University, St. Louis. Ellie and Neil Josephson have bought a house in Philadelphia for use while Neil takes a residency there in a hospital. They are now out of the Navy. Yours truly is a lady of leisure, having given up my job at the American Association for the United Nations due to the excess pressure of keeping house and getting to a job at 9:00 a.m. I don't know how some people do it! But Connecticut College activities in the New York area are keeping me plenty busy enough these days. So long until next time, when I hope to have more news to report.

1945

MRS. DONALD S. TUTTLE, JR.
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Marriages: June Sawhill to James Herbert Heineman; Ann Simpson to Jack Dunlap Rice; Joanne Viall to John T. Monzani on January 17; Margaret Sachs to William T. White, Jr., on February 14.

Birth: A daughter, Barbara Ann to Chuck and Charlotte Burr Evans on December 27; a daughter, Stephanie, to Hal and Carol Schaeffer Wynne; a son, their second, Brian Alexander, to Bob and Joan McCarty McNulty on February 26; a daughter, Susan Terry to Bruce and Penny Gilpin Griffith on March 3.

News this issue takes on a scant look. Whether people have been hibernating this winter or whether there's just little to report, I don't know, but here's a thumb nail sketch of the latest '45 events.

Connie Arnoldy Butler and husband Chuck are in the Philippines, I understand, where Chuck has a plantation. Another overseas traveler is Marge Lawrence, who is in Hawaii as an exchange teacher.

From Zanny Steffen Jordan and her famous postcards comes word that Ethel Schaal Gooch and Warne have bought a new home in Norman, Oklahoma. Also via Zany we learn that Margot Hay Harrison and Art who have been in Littleton, New Hampshire until now have moved to Ypsilanti where Art is taking a business administration course.

Jane Barksdale recently returned from Europe, has developed a new interest. As a result Barky is at Northwestern where she is once again the student, this time of medicine.

From my own wanderings come some word. A recent trip to New York found me face to face with Molly Brillhart. We had time for only a brief conversation, but I understand that Molly has a new job with J. Walter Thompson. That same weekend I managed an excursion to Rahway, New Jersey, where I spent a night with Bill and Toni Corson Rothfuss. Some time ago I reported that Bill was engaged in completing the upstairs of their new home, and you all must see the results! It's a one man masterpiece.

Valentine's Day was the excuse for a trip to Wilmington to see Soxie married to the above mentioned Bill White. It was the first time in many a month that the old fourth floor J. A. contingent had been assembled and what fun, not to mention the fact that the wedding was an exceptionally pretty one. Even Sookie Porter Wilkins was there, and from her we learned that Wilk has but a short time more at Portsmouth whereupon they will be returning to Boston.

Speaking of Boston reminds me that Doll

Wilson has been a resident there since the first of March. She reports that she is working in a laboratory at M. I. T. and is thrilled with the job.

To go back a bit—to Christmas to be exact—a card from Nat Bigelow Barlow stated that Norm is now a civilian and is training as a product engineer for Crouse-Hinds Co. in Syracuse. Syracuse is but a temporary place of residence, for Norm expects to be transferred to a more permanent spot shortly. A wonderfully, long Christmas card note from Sally Hosack ex '45, arrived the same day. She is back in Ohio and at that point had just come from June Sawhill's wedding. And just listen to this honeymoon itinerary please—a week in London, a week in Paris, and the rest of the time in a resort south of Lisbon. Finally to wind things up in a foreign way the Heinemanns are now living in Mexico City. Sally also reminded me of some information I apparently neglected to mention. On second thought I'm sure this was relayed to you some time ago, but to anyone who may not have heard, Libby Woodruff is and has been Mrs. Mellor Stevenson since October of '46.

1946

MARGERY WATSON *Correspondent*
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Marriages: Joan C. Weissman to Sidney Burness, M. D., on October 29, 1947, in New Haven, Conn.; Muriel Duenevald to Stephen Charney on December 21, 1947, in New York City; Nancy Platt to Stanley Hugh Sands on December 31, 1947, in St. Louis, Missouri; E. Janet Weiss to Davis Pafe Smith, Jr., on February 7, 1948, in Wyncote, Penna.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Russell M. Wilson, Jr., Jean Howard, a son, Stephen Howard, on May 11, 1947; to Mr. and Mrs. Julian R. Raper, Jr., Virginia Talmon, a son, Peter, on June 28, 1947; to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Salter, Barbara Orr, a son, in June 1947; to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hawley Murphy, Helen McQuire, a daughter, Anne Winslow, on December 13, 1947; to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McMullen, Janet Cruickshank, a son, Bruce Cruickshank, on January 18, 1948.

Into my mailbox the other day came letters from three members of the class of 1946 from whom we hadn't heard for quite a long time: Virginia Talmon Raper, Helen McQuire Murphy, and Sally Quintard. Ginny wrote a wonderfully newsy letter of her doings since the time of her departure from the hallowed halls of C.C. She, her husband, Junie, and their two sons, Bucky, two years old and Peter, six months old are living in Ellenville, N. Y., where Junie is production manager for the Ulster Knife Co. They live in a brand new white house which is shaded by a sycamore, a birch and a dogwood tree, protected by a white picket

fence, and kept happy by its inhabitants—a mother, a father, two little boys, and a black puppy dog. She writes, in passing, "When I go tearing around here in the morning making formulas, washing diapers, feeding two boys and a girl dog, cleaning, shopping, and acting as a referee between the dog and the babies, I so often wish I had nothing more pressing than an English theme, a zoology test, a history book report, and a German translation."

Helen McQuire Murphy wrote that she, her husband, and their brand new baby daughter have an extremely busy but very happy home. They are living in Syracuse where her husband is both a part-time member of the Law College Faculty and a practicing lawyer in his father's downtown office. A short note from Sally Quintard says that she is with the telephone company in Stamford, Conn., and living in an apartment there since her family moved to a farm in Maryland.

Some time ago, Mary Robinson wrote that she is working for her master's degree in the department of Public Law at Columbia University and doing a bit of free lance writing on any subject when she had a minute. She hastened to add, however, that her main job consisted of propaganda analysis for a local organization. That certainly sounds like a worthwhile program as well as a busy one. And some time ago, Jane Rutter wrote a letter with lots and lots of news in it including some of herself. She has been working in the Central Research Laboratory of General Aniline and Filon and doing some pure research there for the Ansco Film Co. She mentioned the fact that Lois Marshall is working for the Jefferson Chemical in New York, and that Ellie St. John has a position with the export department of Associated Seed Growers and is putting her Spanish to all kinds of good use. Incidentally, it may be interesting to all to note here that Ellie's brother, the Rev. Seymour St. John, son of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. George St. John, was elected headmaster of Choate School to succeed his father who retired June 12, 1947, after having served as headmaster since 1908. The class of '46 offers its most sincere congratulations.

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lations to the Rev. Seymour St. John and his "must-be-proud-of-him-sister," Ellie.

A note from Joanie Paul says that during her year abroad she did some studying, but she never let it interfere with various trips all through France, into Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, etc. She returned from Paris a couple of weeks before Christmas after a perfectly wonderful year and to lots of exciting plans for the future right in the state of Connecticut, U. S. A.

From New York Louise Murphy wrote that she is working at the Consumer Distribution Corp., which is building the first co-op department stores in the country. She also forwarded the news that Nancy Faulkner Hine and her husband, Jack, have set up housekeeping in New Orleans, La., while Barbara Rubenoff Mayer and her husband, Bob, are happy as clams at high tide in their apartment in New York City.

Jean Howard Wilson, in a note reporting the birth of her baby boy, included the news that Barbara Orr Salter and husband, Herb, are living in Detroit, and that Glo Frost recently left McCann-Erickson Advertising and is currently giving her time to *Time*, *Life*, and *Fortune* in the New York City office.

A very long and pleasant letter came this Boston way from Joan Weissman Burness. She told a very exciting tale of looking in New York for an apartment to which she could go home after a busy day on the executive training squad at the Abraham and Strauss store in Brooklyn. But instead of finding the four lonely walls of an apartment, she found "the most wonderful guy in the world," Dr. Sidney Burness, of West Hartford. She now keeps house in a darling home in West Hartford while her husband, in his office in Hartford, specializes in heart disease and internal medicine.

Your correspondent will be looking in her mailbox for all kinds of news about business and household careers, trips here and there, about your young man's fancy turning to lilacs, organdy, and the neighborhood chapel. In the meantime, she will be wending her way toward Nassau and its comfortable and luxurious clime.

1947

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Marriages: Norma Wittelshofer to Richard G. Mintz in June. Florence M. Parker ex '47 to William V. Johnstone on June 7. Sue Rippey to Rhodes W. Polleys in June. Frances Stimpson ex '47 to Carl E. Wilke on June 9. Laura Lee Wiley to James Burbank in June. Catherine Cole to William R. Peek in June. Margot Grace to Frank Hartmann on August 9. Nora King to Jack Reed in August. Barbara Giraud to George Gibson in September. Eleanor Farnsworth to Robert Slimmon on September 23. Nancy

Remmers to Marlow W. Cook on November 22. Ann McBride to Trygve Tholfson on December 20. Barbara Rowe to Newton Perkins.

Births: A son, John Irving, to John and Vera Raymond Granlund on June 24. A son to Hamilton and Dorothy Stanley White ex '47 on July 18. A son, William H. Oler, III, on September 14 to Bill and Jeannie Harold Oler. A son, Robert Arthur, Jr., to Robert, Sr., and Harriett Scott Patrick on October 5. A daughter, Catherine Stacy, to Stan and Janice Somach Schawlm on January 14. A son, Peter, to Edmund and Lynn Ronci Kohn.

Among the married set, Mary Wood Sharpe writes that she and her husband are enjoying the transient life of the Coast Guard to the fullest. Their 10 months old daughter, Claudia, is loving and thriving on it, too. From Ruth Zahn Brandt ex '47, I've heard that her son, Robert Zahn Brandt had his second birthday not long ago. Vee Raymond Granlund ex '47 took time out from the formulas and pabulum to write that John is at M.I.T. studying for a degree in electrical engineering. Vee has seen Margot Grace Hartmann and Joan Somerby among several other '47ers in Boston. Didi Stanley White ex '47, who is getting self-instruction and practical application in the care and feeding of small children through her own offspring, is also doing volunteer work in a hospital and clinic. From Jeannie Harold Oler comes news of Ann Shields. Shieldsie has made this a Yale year, spending almost every weekend with Jeannie, Bill and Bill, III, in the Oler's quonset hut in New Haven. Word comes from Scotty Patrick that Bob, Sr., has been on weather patrol in the North Atlantic. Meanwhile, Scotty has been pavement pounding for an empty apartment on Staten Island, the result being that the Patricks are now with the elder Patricks in Norwich, Conn.

The ex '47 girls have been holding their own. Flo Parker Johnstone is working as a secretary while her husband is in school. She writes that the Conn. Alumnae Ass'n is going full force in Pittsburgh, with a benefit planned for April. From Frannie Stimpson Wilke I heard that her husband is a rector of the Episcopal Church in Richmond, Texas. Bubs Bernstein Rosenberg claims she has "decelerated;" she is now attending the Columbia Extension and has one more year to go. Bubs' one regret now is that she escaped Home Ec. at Conn. According to Nancy Nock, the Chicago suburbanites have had frequent reunions. Nancy, Petie, Mary King, Jan Humphrey, Jan Warren and Nancy Newey Ferris recently got together in Chicago for dinner. Nancy Beebe Spindler, husband Richard and son Peter, have bought a house in Wyndmoor, Penna. Nonnie's husband is attending college and she is attending to the big task of being a housewife and mother.

According to Jean Witman who attended Ann McBride Tholfson's wedding, Mac simply radiated. Jean also left the walls of

the Univ. of Illinois, where she is helping in the campus religious life as a Danforth Graduate Fellow, to go to Peg McMinn's ex '47, wedding,, which I understand was lovely. From Winnie Belik Webb comes word that she and her husband took in the Mardi Gras this year, now that Dave is back in the country. They attended the coronation, parading and some of the balls, and had a wonderful week in New Orleans. Patsy Goldman, after her working hours at a nursery school, has been working for a St. Louis Alumnae Chapter. Mr. Cobble-dick met all the C.C. alumnae at Patsy's house at a tea in December, when they discussed the possibilities for such. Aside from such household chores as cleaning, marketing, and cooking, Lee Wiley Burbank manages to be a receptionist and stenographer for a Maine surgeon. Lee's husband, Jimmy, works at the Twitchell Champlain Co. in Portland, and in his spare time slaves over balance sheets for the accounting course he's taking. From Cappie Cole Peek, I've heard that aside from her duties as a new housewife, she is a secretary in the Admission office at Brown University. Cap's husband, Bill, is a student there, and has two more semesters to go. It sounds like Babs Giraud Gibson has a full time job. Along with her job at The Society for Seamen's Children, Babs is going to night school. Her husband, Gib, is back in the Merchant Marine.

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News comes from Ann McBride Tholfsen that she and her husband are living in New Haven where Tryg is in his senior year at Yale. Mac keeps herself very busy working at the Medical School in the field of cancer research. Posey Wittelshofer Mintz writes that she sees Margot Grace Hartmann and Romi Kunhardt frequently. It seems they live right around the corner from Mintz's. Margot is doing quite a lot of modeling while Hank attends classes at Harvard Law School. Margot's wedding in August, by the way, was beautiful. It was a garden wedding and Margot looked lovely as usual. Romi has a wonderful job in Cambridge and a hard one too, I imagine, as it deals with housing for Harvard people. Sue Rippey Polleys is another one successfully combining marriage and a career. She is the organist and choir director for a New Haven church where she has three choirs to plan for and direct.

Along the interesting job line, our class is extremely noteworthy. Marian Petersen is editing the employee magazine for Bell and Howell Movie Camera Co. Mr. Petersen called me recently, when he was in New York, and said Pete is crazy about her job.

On the newsy side, Marie Hickey and Marilou Widdell have sent me loads of information. Marie passed on the news that: Margie Barrie is teaching in the tiny village of Mapleton, Maine; Louise Odell, who is living on the coast is training to be an interpreter; Elaine Kleinschmidt is with the Rockefeller Institute; Joan Roberts is at Yale; Nan Williams is studying for her Bachelor of Divinity at Union Theological Seminary; and Margie Cosh is at Katherine Gibbs in Chicago. Marie, herself, is training to be a supervisor at a local insurance company in Hartford. From Widdy's card, I surmised that the Cleveland, Ohio, alumnae chapter has been very active. They gave a dance this year, "The Blue and Silver Ball," of which Jinx Carlisle was chairman. Mel Luff Jeavons was in charge of the raffle for which Shalimar perfume and Scotch were the prizes. Mel must have done a god job as Widdy, treasurer of the dance, said they cleared three hundred dollars.

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