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From Cloisters to Cantilevers
A Brief History of Connecticut College Architecture

By BETTY FUSSELL

If a student of the class of '19, lying in a hospital bed in the original quarters of the infirmary on the second floor of Thames Hall, had seen the cover photograph of this issue of the News, she might have uttered an exclamation of more than mild surprise. Even to later students who, at one time or another, were forced to occupy the later quarters of the infirmary in Deshon House and then in "President Marshall's house," now called the "old infirmary," a glimpse of our brand-new modern infirmary building might have caused eyes to goggle. However, students of the early classes would have been no more surprised at the new Infirmary than at the present campus as a whole. For only thirty-eight years ago, while the college was still a blueprint in the minds of the founders, the bleak and windy hillside overlooking the Thames River offered little more than a fine view and a tumble of large granite boulders. Today, the magnificent view remains and, in addition, the hillside is covered by extensive lawns and plantings and contains more than twenty-six buildings.

Even within the short period of time from the founding of the college to the present day and to the unfailing astonishment of the alumnae of the early classes, the architectural style has shifted from collegiate Gothic to Georgian to Modern. The new Infirmary, designed in the most contemporary style, stands only a few thousand yards away from buildings, such as Plant and Branford, suggestive of fifteenth and sixteenth-century England. Perhaps the most gratifying aspect of the Connecticut College architecture is that, in spite of the variety of conflicting styles, the campus gives the effect of a unified whole.

Sunlight sans Glare

Interestingly, the buildings of the college reflect certain major trends in American architecture. The most recent trend—a more complete acceptance of "extreme modern"—is represented in the design of both the interior and exterior of the new Infirmary. The most striking feature of the building, the way in which the west end appears to be suspended in mid-air, results from the fact that this end is cantilevered: a single masonry-covered pier supports two large steel girders in the side walls. According to Mr. Bernhard, a member of the architectural firm of Shreve, Lamb, and Harmon, architects who designed the building, the principal reason for cantilevering the Infirmary is to permit the service road to continue on under the building and thus provide a convenient service entrance on the basement floor.

The first buildings, New London, Plant and Blackstone stood amid granite boulders and bitter winds.
By taking advantage of the sloping ground of the site, the architects were able to make full use of basement rooms, of which the principal one is the kitchen, serving the entire building. On the floor above, all bedrooms have been placed on one side in order to permit south light to enter all the bedroom windows. An eight-foot copper louvre, which runs the length of the south side, serves as a permanent sunshade to eliminate excessive glare from the rooms. On the roof, a "penthouse apartment" for resident nurses is still under construction, and the roof may be used eventually as a sunbathing deck for students, if New London supplies its quota of sunshine.

Brick Used Without, Modern Colors Within

Breaking precedent with the plan of the previous buildings, the Infirmary is the first campus building in which brick rather than stone has been used for the main portion of the building. Mr. Bernhard used granite only in the lower part of the building and in the front facade. In the upper part, he employed a face brick resembling limestone in color. Originally, the Infirmary was to have been built entirely of granite and limestone, but the present expense of quarrying and hand-cutting the granite has made the cost of this material prohibitive.

In addition to the bedrooms, which can accommodate twenty-two students, the main floor also contains a dispensary, consultation room, treatment room, general office, pantry, lobby, and laboratories. Surrounded by windows on three sides, the wonderfully modern solarium, at the extreme west end of the building, offers an unusually fine view of the arboretum and surrounding countryside. Happily, the formidable, clinical-white of the usual hospital interior has been deliberately avoided in the Infirmary's interior. Bright colors and modern furniture have been used throughout. Patients' rooms are completely equipped, and even contain such luxury items as overbed tables, the gift of the class of '50.

Gothic versus Georgian

The modernity of the Infirmary reflects the change in taste in the kind of architectural style considered suitable for college buildings. In the not far distant past, Eastern colleges and universities were generally built in one of two styles: Georgian Colonial, considered more classic, formal, and symmetrical; or Gothic, considered more romantic, irregular, and picturesque. Both styles, however, are "traditional," and it is significant that the architecture of American universities has tended to be considerably more conservative than continental styles, partially because a new country tends to value highly the historic traditions that it has and tends to import traditions it lacks. The use of Gothic architecture in college buildings of this country has been largely inspired by the American respect for Oxford and Cambridge.

In order to understand some of the indirect causes for the choice of style for Connecticut's first buildings, it is necessary to go back to the so-called Gothic Revival. The American university Gothic style, often called "collegiate Gothic," is primarily a result of this movement which originated in the late-eighteenth century and is exemplified by such famous buildings as Horace Walpole's Gothic villa, Strawberry Hill. The movement received new impetus in the Victorian period under the influence of Ruskin in England and through the efforts of the architect H. H. Richardson in America, who designed, by the way, the New London railroad station. During the 90's of the last century and the first decade or so of this, a great number of collegiate Gothic buildings were erected, among the most notable those at West Point, Princeton, and Yale.

Because of its relatively recent date of founding, Connecticut has had an advantage over many older colleges in that our buildings could be planned all at once, even though the plans might and did undergo innumerable modifications. At the time the college was founded, the existing hilltop buildings, such as the Lee and Prentis houses and the family farmhouse of Anna Hempstead Branch's mother, were personal residences and naturally would not have prescribed the architectural style of the college buildings.

Chosen by the Board of Trustees on the competitive basis of submitted drawings, the first architects employed by the college were Charles Ewing and George S. Chappell, son of Alfred H. Chappell (first treasurer of the college) and brother of Valentine Chappell, present trustee and father of Carol Chappell '41. Previously, Ewing and Chappell had designed a number of buildings in Tudor Gothic for other colleges, as well as the private mansion, Branford Estate, of Mr. and Mrs. Morton F. Plant of Groton.
the time, only two possible styles of architecture were felt to be appropriate for college buildings, Colonial or Gothic, and the choice of Gothic was largely determined by the preference of Mr. and Mrs. Plant for this style. Commodore Plant had built and furnished the first dormitories, Plant, Blackstone, and Branford, in addition to donating $1,000,000 to start the college endowment. His wife, Nellie Capron Plant, who was interested in architectural styles, was particularly fond of Tudor Gothic and had had the Plant estate built in this style.

In addition to considering the wishes of the donor in the choice of style, the architects and trustees felt that the early English style lent itself more completely than a classic one to the particular location of the college. As Maude Baille wrote in the New London Telegraph in 1914, "The picturesqueness of the site and its environment made some form of romantic art appropriate." The site of the first quadrangle, bounded by Plant, Branford, Blackstone, and New London Hall, was largely determined by the sweeping views south to the Sound and east to the Thames.

In 1915, President Sykes and the group of excited students that made up the first freshman class, could view with pride the nearly finished dormitories, Plant and Blackstone. Each building was designed to hold 50 students and the rooms, equipped with draperies and bedspread in addition to the regular furniture, were considered the last word in luxurious accommodation. The corner rooms of the ground floor had casement windows with "Hood" panes imported from England, the panes were square rather than triangular, the traditional shape. On the other hand, the peaked gables, deeply-inset windows, horizontal stone bands, square central towers, and small arched oak doors are all traditional Gothic features.

Manor House or Bleak Institution?

Contemporary comments on the choice of style varied. Those inclined to eulogy were fond of adapting a quote from Thomas Hardy to describe the hoped-for results: "The manor house, solidly built of stone, in the never-to-be-surpassed style of the English country residence—the mullioned and transomed Elizabethan." A note of skepticism, however, is revealed in the remark of one critic in a 1915 Hartford Daily Courant, "There is a uniformity, a grey sameness about the buildings at present that is a little depressing." Of course the absolute barrenness of the hillside with its four nearly identical grey buildings perched on the top amid mud, stones, and bitter winds, did nothing to aid architectural beauty. However, even with grass, trees, ivy, and flowers, later buildings have sometimes been dubbed jocularly, "Alcatraz Colonial."

The architects did not attempt to produce a precise representation of early Gothic, but made organic modifications of traditional features of the style. Although they used casement windows with "Hood" panes imported from
floor were built with doors connecting adjacent rooms, in order to overcome the "natural objection" of women to sleeping on this floor. Evidently the fire hazard was great, for no chafing dish parties or the equivalent of "gas jet feasts" were allowed in the rooms. Instead, kitchenettes were provided. One issue of a 1915 New London Day states, "It is believed that this will in large measure eliminate the danger of alcohol blazing up and setting fire to the light dresses of the students."

Among the buildings originally planned was a large two-story refectory, considered to be "a novel innovation in the culinary department," for instead of building one mammoth hall, the refectory was to be divided into eight small dining rooms. In praising the plans, one contemporary newspaper asserted, "Much criticism is directed at the average American college girl for her habit of loud talk. This habit is believed to result from a custom acquired in the clatter and noise of a large dining room when she is required to raise her voice in order to be heard. This will be entirely done away with by means of the smaller dining rooms." Unfortunately, insufficient funds prevented the erection of the building. As a temporary measure, the Lee and Prentis houses, already owned by the college, were joined together to form Thames Hall, in which the students ate while, it may be assumed, talking loudly.

Another plan abandoned because of lack of funds was the design for a pavilion gymnasium. Only one wall was to be solid; the other three were to be built of glass in order that the glass sides might be opened and the classes held in the open air.

**Georgian and Modern Take Over**

In a period of only fourteen years, from the era of World War I, yeomanettes and farmerettes, to the era of the flappers, twelve buildings had been built at Connecticut: New London Hall, Plant, Blackstone, Hillyer Gymnasium, Winthrop House, North Cottage, Branford, Vinal Cottage, Palmer Library, and Knowlton House. By the erection of Palmer Library, during the administration of President Marshall, who himself led the line of book-laden students on the library march from the old quarters in New London Hall to the new building, a major change

![Image of Palmer Library](image-url)
Larger lawns, larger dormitories. Knowlton, Mary Harkness, Jane Addams, and Freeman in the background.

was brought about not only in the prevailing architectural style of the college, but also in the site of the main quadrangle. Mr. George S. Palmer, donor of the building, had wanted the lights of the library visible at night from the city of New London. Consequently, he chose the highest ground on the hilltop as the site for his projected building. Not until Miss Blunt's presidency five years later, however, were the full potentialities of a new and enlarged quadrangle finally realized.

With Palmer Library, built in 1923, the predominant style of campus architecture changed from collegiate Gothic to Colonial or Georgian. The architect of the building, Mr. Geoffrey Platt, whose forte was classic architecture, later designed Fanning Hall, Knowlton House, and the Lyman Allyn Museum. In spite of the diametrical opposition of the two styles, Gothic and Georgian, the campus buildings present a unified appearance, largely because the same building materials—granite and limestone—have been used throughout. In addition, there are certain similarities in the styles themselves: both have peaked gables, sharply pitched roofs, and outsized chimneys.

The designs of Knowlton and Fanning follow generally the classic style of Palmer Library. Knowlton, in fact, was called Colonial House until the college was free to use the donor's name. Originally intended solely as a recreation building, the plans for Knowlton were suddenly changed, while the building was already under construction, to include student rooms on the second floor.

Under Miss Blunt's presidency, eight dormitories were built in remarkably rapid succession: Windham, Mary Harkness, Jane Addams, Freeman, Grace Smith, East, and Katharine Blunt House. Windham was the first campus building to be designed by the architectural firm of Shreve, Lamb, and Harmon of New York, who are best known for having designed the Empire State Building and who designed all the campus buildings, with the exception of the chapel, since 1933. Although Windham, donated by the citizens of Windham County, was built in a recognizably Colonial style, the style of the succeeding buildings has tended towards an increasing simplicity and modernity in the flat surfaces, the lack of decorative detail, and the flatter roofs. For the sake of variety, the architects have used an increasing amount of limestone, with granite blocks forming a decorative surface pattern.

One of the primary reasons for the simpler style of the later dormitories was the economic necessity of obtaining maximum floor space at minimum cost. In order to be economically sound at the present day, a dormitory must house at least sixty-five to eighty students. Branford, Blackstone, and Plant, on the other hand, can house only forty or fifty students each, for in collegiate Gothic a great deal of upstairs space is lost under the slope of the pitched roof. The plans for the newer buildings were extremely successful financially, for their cost, in proportion to their size, is lower than that of most other college dormitories in the country.

Another ingenious method of saving expense was the use of only one set of architectural drawings for two buildings: Jane Addams and Freeman. By simply reversing the single drawing, and by adding a connecting tower to break the roof line, two buildings were designed for the price of one. A similar device has been used in the interconnected Grace Smith and East House, built in 1940, and in Katharine Blunt House, the most recent dormitory. Built after the plans of Jane Addams, one wing of Katharine Blunt has been faced with stucco rather than
stone in the expectation that another wing will be added as Freeman was added to Jane Addams.

Thanks to careful planning by architects and administration, Connecticut students aren’t subjected to dormitories that appear too institutionalized. The housekeeping department has individualized the interior of every living room and recreation room. Even more important, the college has fulfilled the desires of the founders for a non-institutional refectory by instituting a plan whereby each later dormitory has an individual dining room. In order to make the plan economically feasible in Jane Addams and Freeman, and in Grace Smith and East, the architects designed a single kitchen to serve two dining rooms.

Buildings with Special Functions

Harkness Chapel, designed by James Gamble Rogers, father-in-law of Henrietta Owens Rogers ’28, combines elements of both Georgian and Gothic styles. An unusual feature of the building’s exterior, with its Georgian columns, doorway, and spire, is the use of granite and limestone as building materials, rather than the white wood or brick generally associated with this kind of New England chapel. In the interior, a late-English Gothic ceiling is combined with Romanesque arched windows and a typically Georgian apse with an elaborate Baroque organ loft, complete with carved angels.

With the exception of the Infirmary, the buildings most modern in appearance are Frederic Bill Hall and Palmer Auditorium (built in memory of Frank Loomis Palmer of New London), both constructed in 1939. In designing the Auditorium, the architects were faced with two major problems: the nature of the site and the function of the building. A low building was necessary to harmonize with existing buildings and to prevent an obstruction of the view. By adapting the building to the sloping ground, the architects were also able to create a good-sized auditorium. A large auditorium was essential, for it was to serve as theater and concert hall for both the college and New London community. Although a large stage was needed for concert use, a small one was required for dramatic productions. The problem was solved by employing a large collapsible apron which can either enlarge or diminish the size of the stage. The wavy walls and sectional ceiling, two of the most interesting features of the interior, were designed for both harmonious appearance and good acoustics. The numerous varied planes and faces of wall and ceiling surfaces break up the sound waves and prevent the sound from echoing.

When ground was broken for the first building of Connecticut College, the wielder of the spade little realized that within forty years the hilltop site, formerly known as the “Farm of the Four Winds,” would house an entire college community of over twenty-six campus buildings. Even in such a short period of time, the taste in architectural styles changed just as rapidly as did the taste in clothes. The excited and expectant students who first entered the Gothic halls of Plant and Blackstone probably no more dreamed that their daughters could one day doze in the solarium of a long, sleek Infirmary, than they could imagine themselves dressed in moccasins, khaki shirts and blue jeans. The style of the buildings has changed and will continue to change as the college continues to expand, but the buildings themselves stand as a permanent memorial to an enduring core of values.
Student-Alumnae Building Project Reviewed

By Winona Young '19

One of the clearer memories in the mind of every Connecticut alumna is likely to be that of herself and her friends rushing about campus selling or buying tickets for Sykes Fund benefits, working to build up the total of the Student Alumnae Building Fund, excitedly discussing the building and what it would mean to the life of the campus. From the time the earliest classes decided that the most appropriate memorial to the beloved Dr. Sykes would be a Student-Alumnae Building on campus, to the wonderfully enthusiastic activities of the present students, runs the unbroken thread of interest in such a building. At times interest has been less keen than at others, but always it has been present. The delightful little flier recently mailed by students to alumnae is partial evidence of current campus interest in the project.

The students hope that the Alumnae Association will join them in working for what they now term the "Rec Building," and thus by alumnae participation turn the proposed Recreation Building into the Student-Alumnae Building, the goal of the original Sykes Memorial Fund. Before asking the entire alumnae body to vote on the matter the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association has asked a committee of alumnae to give us all some background information, past and current, on the subject. Winona Young '19, chairman of the committee, presents the interesting information given below.

At the request of the Executive Board of the Connecticut College Alumnae Association, the president of the Association appointed a committee to explore the areas of agreement in the interest of the alumnae and students of the college in the matter of a so-called Recreation Building, as proposed by a group of students, and the alumnae project of many years—a student-alumnae building as a memorial to the first president, Dr. Sykes.

This committee appointed by President Mary Anna Meyer '42 consists of the following members:
Emily Warner Caddock '25, Dorothy Royce Hadden '45, Sylvia Snitkin Krieger '50, Jessie Menzies Luce '20, Kathryn Moss '24, Gwendolyn Knight Nevin '39, Virginia C. Rose '19, Leah Pick Silber '20, Dorothy Stewart '36, Mary Chapman Watts '39, Winona F. Young '19, Chairman.

A meeting of the committee was held at the college in May at which time the charge to the committee was given by letter from Mrs. Meyer. It was made clear that all fund raising for the college would be held in abeyance until the College Development Committee was appointed and functioning. During the latter part of November this committee was appointed. The over all needs of the college will be studied with a view to giving priorities to those most urgent.

During this waiting period your exploratory committee has done a good deal of ground work. We have tried to understand the purpose of these two efforts—alumnae and student—in order to see more clearly their areas of agreement. The following statement written by Virginia C. Rose '19, gives the origin of the Sykes Fund for a Student-Alumnae Building:

Useful and Appropriate

Why was a Student-Alumnae Building designated as the goal of the early alumnae group of the college?

We were planning for something that would honor the memory of the first president, under whose leadership we had the thrilling experience of starting a great, new adventure in the education of women.

In the first place it must be something worthy; it must be significant, and it must embody the element of continuity. With only three stone buildings on campus it was natural that a building should be the logical choice, but what sort of building—so many were needed.

As we had been the first students, now we were the first alumnae, and while still conscious of the needs we had known as students we realized the importance to the college of a growing body of alumnae. One is an undergraduate for four years at most (we hope!) but she is an alumna for the rest of her life.

And so as a goal that seemed worthy, and something that we and all the students who should come after us might unite in working for, we set our sights on a Student-Alumnae Building. We envisioned one that should have rooms for the use of day students, of whom there were a great many in the early days; and that should house the various student organizations, all of which we had seen come into being—Student Government, Service League, Dramatic Club, Debating Club, French Club, Athletic Association, The News—to name a few that come to mind—and in addition provide offices for the Alumnae Association and facilities for the various needs of returning alumnae.

As undergraduates we had visited various campuses as delegates to student government conferences, News conferences, etc., where we appreciated buildings of this sort at Vassar, Wellesley, and other colleges. It seemed to us that eventually Connecticut College must have a Student-Alumnae Building.
As a goal it answered the requirements—it was needed, it was worthy, and it was significant—and it had a timelessness and all embracing quality that appealed to us. It would be of use to the student from the day she entered as an undergraduate and continue so for the rest of her life. It was a project in which students and alumnae could have a joint and equal interest. It symbolized the wide range of interests and activities of the college from the earliest days in an unbroken chain as far into the future as one could think. And to paraphrase a line recently made famous, "Old students don't just fade away, they become alumnae," and the building would symbolize this continuity of relationship to the college and its welfare, and so be worthy of honoring the memory of that vital, stimulating, scholarly man who was its first president.

That's the way it started, but somewhere along the years the idea has become vague, until today we realize with amazement that it is almost unheard of among those on campus. There are a number of reasons for this, none of which in any way reflects on the soundness of the original goal, but they do not seem to me important now. The question now is, does the original plan have appeal for the students and alumnae today? Do the undergraduates feel the need of facilities for day students and student organizations, and do they realize how soon they will themselves be alumnae and come back to campus with no place available to them? We must have some thoughts in common and the problem now, it seems to me, is to find areas of agreement and proceed from them to something for which we can all work together—students and alumnae.

—Virginia C. Rose '19

To Honor Dr. Sykes

The Student Recreation Building Committee has designed a brochure which they have mailed to alumnae and to all parents of students showing the campus interest and enthusiasm for their project.

Dr. Nancy Barr Mavity Rogers, one of the original faculty members, has written of Dr. Sykes and his dynamic leadership in the earliest days of the college in a way that brings it back to those who were there, and we think brings an understanding of it to those who came after. Her article follows:

Connecticut College is still young—so young that men and women who were present at its birth and could only predict its growth in terms of an unrealized future are by no means doddering oldsters today.

But college generations are short—four years compared to the biological thirty—and by this reckoning Connecticut College has spanned nine generations. The time has been long enough for traditions as well as buildings to grow on the hills above the Thames.

Rightly, and even more rightly for an institution still so young and vigorous in development, the attention of students, faculty and governing body is focused primarily on the present and future. But the tradition, the spirit, the individuality that imbues a college and makes it different from any other is not something that springs spontaneously into being, nor is it born anew with each incoming student body. It reaches backward into the past as it reaches into the future.
That "personality," in precise form and shape, could not be foreseen in detail in 1915. But its essence, its "soul" if you will, was alive then and is alive today. It was alive in the purpose that saw the need for Connecticut College as a venture, an experiment, with its own individuality and character, and not as "just another college."

That purpose, character and vision can best be exemplified or symbolised in the person of Connecticut College's first pioneer president. In establishing a memorial to him, we are not memorializing something ancient or abstract, but something as much alive in 1951 as it was in 1915. It is not even a link with the past, for links are static, but a mark of recognition that the founding of the college, and its present and future, are all parts of a continuous process.

Frederick H. Sykes, first president.

Nevertheless, it is of real value for the students of today and tomorrow to have a reminder, more substantial than human memories, of the founding of their college—what it was like and what it meant. Dr. Sykes, with his questing, eager, adventurous mind, his boundless enthusiasms, and the warm feeling of active participation which he spread to all who were engaged with him in what he made them feel was a joint enterprise, was its moving spirit. Not every educator is able to make his students alertly aware of it as such, as an exploring field trip into fresh territories of the mind and of living.

Your beautiful, commodious, and smoothly organized college of today will mean much more to you if you will reconstruct, with imagination based on the still vivid recollection of those who were there, the college Dr. Sykes first showed us.

It was, perhaps, symbolic—it was certainly uncomfortable—and he made it seem great fun, that the paths were muddy, the buildings still smelling of wet plaster, or half completed, or only projected in blueprints. Something was in the making, and we were privileged to be "in" at the beginning.

Dr. Sykes was not administrative or executive Top Brass, shut away behind a cordon of secretaries. It is not enough to say that he was accessible to students and faculty alike. He was right down in the middle of the hurly burly and the hubbub. When he spoke, whether in faculty meeting or assembly, it was like the calling of a family council, to attend the problems of the moment or work out programs for the future.

His two most cherished convictions, the heart of the whole project, were interrelated. They may not have worked out in detail as he envisioned them. He would not even have wanted them to. For no educative scheme was ever to him a dead formula. The requirements of life and circumstances change, and he would have been the first to modify, re-outline and reconstruct the basic design to conform to a changing, because a living, reality.

But, whatever the external shape of things might be, he believed first, that the faculty should not be set apart from the students, coming down from the empyrean to impart instruction and then vanishing into thin air, but that the relationship should include a real sharing of lives and experience. Second, he believed that culture and the arts and sciences should not be incapsulated from life, nor a "preparation" for life, but should be related, through an expanded and expanding curriculum, to the concerns of living itself.

Because his own training was in English literature, Dr. Sykes had a great way of taking words from the past and flashing them on the situation at hand. There were many such swift, illuminating passages. But the lines he flung out most often, and which remain forever associated with him and with those days, were these:

"Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive
But to be young was very heaven!"

He made us feel that about the founding of Connecticut College. I hope that every new generation will feel something of that, too. I hope they will never forget that in this spirit their college was founded. I hope that this memorial to Dr. Sykes will help them remember.

—NANCY BARR MAVITY

The Sykes Fund for a Student-Alumnae Building now amounts to over $23,000. The specific problem is, can the original objective of the Sykes Fund and the Recreation Building now the dream of the present students at college be realized at the same time? That is what we hope may be achieved. We must judge whether present ideas meet the test of harmony with our original purposes. Ideas and suggestions from any member of the Alumnae Association or student body will be welcomed by the committee.
Miss Park's luncheon address to Class Fund Agents and guests was the highlight of a brilliantly successful Alumnae Fund Weekend held on campus early in November. Directed by Dorothy Stewart, Alumnae Fund Chairman, assisted by Mary Anna Meyer, Alumnae Association President, and Sadie Benjamin of the Alumnae Office staff, the Weekend seemed in part to follow the pattern set by the weather. Not wild and not wet, as the weather emphatically was, certainly quite controlled and well organized, the meeting too was filled with the spirit of energy, of genuine excitement, and it moved—fast. The enthusiasm of the Class Agents was catching. The delegates understood and approved of the plan of team organization for each class. Some of them had already organized their teams. All of them knew what they planned to do with their teams in the next few weeks and what they wanted to say about those plans. They said it at the workshop sessions with zest and intelligence, and at the other sessions they absorbed information about the College and enjoyed the light-hearted antics of student singers and actors.

Miss Biaggi, Spanish Department.

Miss Zelmira Biaggi, in charge of campus work with foreign students, presented three students, one each from Austria, the Philippines, and Egypt. Now a requested annual event, these talks by foreign students invariably give to the Weekend the most eloquent expression of the reason for being of Alumnae Funds and Class Agents.

With regret the Agents learned of the approaching resignation of Dorothy Stewart as Alumnae Fund Chairman. Assistant to the President of Mitchell College, New London's community college, Dorothy finds her new job so all-consuming as to time as to make necessary the elimination of important outside activities. Regretful at her leave-taking, but grateful for her leadership under which the Alumnae Fund work has certainly taken a long step forward, the Agents assured the out-going chairman of their intention of carrying on their work according to the plans which she had outlined.

Not simply as a record of the recent Weekend, but as a statement of principles and procedures of Alumnae Fund work at Connecticut College, all alumnae will be interested in Dorothy Stewart's own resume of the workshop meetings held during the Weekend.

Resume of Workshop Meetings

Formation of Class Fund Teams: Each Agent appoints a group of workers from her class, assigns them names to contact, and then follows up on ensuing activity, making sure that (1) definite instructions for procedure are given; and (2) immediate notification is sent when contributions are received. Teams will vary from two to perhaps ten members, and may be picked on a basis of geographical residence, social affiliation, dormitory residence in college, or just plain willingness to help. Keeping assistants enthusiastic, informed, and working is the major job of the Agent under the team plan. She becomes a kind of senior partner with definite supervisory duties. It is especially important that she tell her workers at once when gifts are received, and also pass on changes of address.

Schedule of Circularization: October 1—Printed appeal mailed from Alumnae Office. November 22—Deadline for personal notes from Agents and team workers to classmates whose contributions have not yet been received. December 1-15—Printed reminder mailed from Alumnae Office (an attractive blotter and return envelope strongly suggested by fund workers). February 15—Deadline for second round of personal notes to contributors. Further correspondence may follow, but it is important that the fourth appeal be out by this date.

The Personal Appeal Letter: Its value lies in the fact that it reflects your enthusiasm, your knowledge of the college (and its needs), your friendliness, and your hope that others will catch the spirit of Alumnae Fund purposes. You can use facts like: your gift supports the Alumnae organization, publishes the NEWS for you, and provides money for scholarship and other purposes. Many uncovered needs still exist—instructional equipment, more adequate faculty salaries, etc. Above all, the ultimate fate of the private, independent college appears to rest solidly upon the shoul-
ders of people like us, the $5-$25 givers—thousands of
us—working and living together.

_Mailing expenses:_ If the cost of stationery and stamps
used in fund work is a burden to an agent or team worker,
she should ask the Alumnae Office for reimbursement.
Many agents, by absorbing such costs, however, are in effect
increasing their own personal gifts in an indirect way and
welcome this opportunity to "pay as they go."

_Potentially Large Givers:_ Agents agreed they were
interested in broadening the base of alumnae giving by se-
curing average contributions from many more people. Al-
though willing to cooperate, they felt the Alumnae Fund
Committee should take the leadership in organizing solici-
tation among the potentially large givers.

_Recommendation to Finance Committee:_ The Agents
went on record as favoring unanimously the continuance
of an _unrestricted_ gift to the College, and the _inclusion in
the Association budget of that gift._ This—the recommen-
dation that an unrestricted gift to the College _be included_
in the Association budget—was perhaps the most far-
reaching decision made during the weekend. It evidences
a growing comprehension of the financial problems of the
College and a willingness to increase alumnae support to
help meet them.

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**Report Given by Organization Committee**

**Election Procedures Discussed at Annual Alumnae Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by the President of the
Alumnae Association, Mary Anna Lemon Meyer, at 10:15.
As the Secretary's report of the Annual Meeting in
June, 1950, was printed in the Alumnae News, it was
moved, seconded and resolved to dispense with the Secre-
tary's report.

The Treasurer's report had been mimeographed and
was distributed to the Annual Meeting. On motion made
and seconded, it was resolved to approve the report.

The report of the Alumnae Fund, also mimeographed,
was distributed to the Annual Meeting. This report was
amplified by Dorothy Stewart, chairman of the Alumnae
Fund Committee. Miss Stewart reported that the average
gift to date this year was $5.31, as it had been approxi-
mately for the past several years, but that the number of
contributors had dropped somewhat. Therefore, the total
Fund income was less. With regard to plans for the
Alumnae Fund for next year, Miss Stewart reported that
the Alumnae Fund Committee hoped to move toward the
common average of comparable colleges—that is, average
gifts of approximately $10.00. In this connection Miss
Stewart pointed out that our average gift has increased in
the past few years from an average gift of $3.00. She also
reported that the average of the class of 1923 was $7.20,
and the average gift of the class of 1936 was $7.21, which
were the two highest averages to date (see statistical report
of Alumnae Fund in summer issue for report to end
of fiscal year). In the classes of 1926 and 1946, she stated
that 57% of the members made contributions.

Miss Stewart said that it is recognized that the present-
day pressure on everyone's pocketbooks is such that it is
difficult to give, but that each of us can work if necessary
at such jobs as baby-sitting, typing, et cetera, to raise
money specifically to give to the Alumnae Fund. It was
further stated that this report and the figures therein were
meaningful only in relation to the plight of the private
colleges.

In concluding Miss Stewart pointed out that the Alum-
nae Fund is an amalgamation of three sources of giving,
clubs, classes, and individuals. This report was concluded
with the thanks of the Alumnae Fund Chairman to the
Class Fund Agents, the members of the Alumnae Fund
Committee, the Executive Board, and to Miss Moss and
Mrs. Benjamin.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by
Mrs. Meyer, who announced the election by alumnae of
Catharine Greer '29 as Alumnae Trustee for the term 1951-
1956. Miss Greer's name is to be submitted to the Board
of Trustees of the College for election by that group.

The chairman of the Policy Committee, Dorothy
Wheeler, gave her report. She stated that the Committee is
considering and working on a job analysis of staff members,
including the relationship of one job to another. After
sufficient information is obtained, this Committee will rec-
ommend to the Finance Committee the establishment of
salary scales. As a part of this inquiry, the Policy Com-
mittee is considering the establishment of vacation policies
in line with policies of the College for administrative em-
ployees and for library employees.

Miss Wheeler also reported that with regard to the
Alumnae Association the Policy Committee is considering
expenses incurred by alumnae in connection with Associa-
tion work. Along these lines, the Committee is giving
consideration as to what is included in "traveling ex-
penses." For example, if travel is by railroad, when is first
class fare allowed, when should coach fare be the limit?
If travel by car, what mileage should be allowed, and is
such mileage to be paid when the train fare would be less?
Also, the question of valid hotel expenses in terms of mini-
mum and maximum and other expenses incurred, such as
taxis, tips, phone calls, meals and sitters, is being considered.

With regard to the educational functions of the Executive Board, Miss Wheeler reported that the Policy Committee is considering whether it is the responsibility of the Executive Board to strengthen the relationship of the alumnae with the College as an educational institution, and to this end is examining the question whether the Board should plan an annual "campus program," this to include the general Association membership, Council, Fund workers and Reunion classes. The Committee suggested that there be one Alumnae membership in the fall, to which all alumnae be invited, or three days in the fall with the alumnae divided according to the three major divisions of the curriculum, the humanities, the natural and physical sciences, and the social sciences.

The Committee is also considering how the Executive Board can further enhance the importance of the Alumnae Association among the alumnae and suggests the possibility of recognizing distinguished services of the faculty and officers of the Association, of promoting more dignity and ceremony along that line, and through the means of honorary membership in the Association. In addition, the Committee is examining ways in which the Association can deal more publicly with personalities within and outside its membership, and suggests that past presidents of the Association might be invited to give suggestions along these lines and might be invited to attend some meetings of the Policy Committee.

The report of the Finance Committee, Emily Warner Caddock, chairman, was read by Mrs. Meyer. The Finance Committee has met twice this year. As a result of these two meetings, staff salaries have been reviewed. It was decided to establish a reserve fund for the Association.

After consideration of the Alumnae Fund report, the Finance Committee made the following recommendation to the Executive Board: "To strengthen the Alumnae Fund next year, the initial step being the increase by one of the Alumnae Office Employed Personnel."

The Finance Committee also recommended the publication this year of an Alumnae Register.

The Committee has given serious consideration to the possible use of the Sykes Fund toward the current student drive to raise funds for a recreation building. However, the Committee felt decisions or final recommendations must await more specific information from the College Development Committee.

The chairman of the Finance Committee submitted a change in the method of setting up the budget, suggesting that an income budget also be included. The final budget therefore will be submitted to the Association membership by mail for its approval.

The report of the Committee on Organization was given by Natalie R. Maas, chairman of the Committee. This Committee has recommended several policy changes in connection with a revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association. These policy changes include a compromise between multiple ballot and single slate which would have all officers except directors elected by single slate and a director from each decade of graduated classes elected by multiple choice ballots.

The Committee also recommended that the term of office be changed from two to three years with one-third of the officers elected in each year in order to have a rotating Executive Board.

The Committee also recommended a reclassification of membership into active and inactive members, active members being those who contribute to the Alumnae Fund.

The Committee has also attempted to clarify various procedures without changing them. These procedures include petition procedure for adding names to ballot and voting by mail.

The report of Mrs. Caddock for the Alumnae Trustees was read by Mrs. Meyer:

"The Alumnae Association has been represented on the Connecticut College Board of Trustees this past year by:

Miriam Brooks Butterworth—term 1950-55
Eleanor Jones Heilman — 1948-54
Emily Warner Caddock — 1946-51

Each of the Alumnae Trustees carries committee work, being appointed by the Board. Committee responsibilities this past year were as follows: Mrs. Butterworth—Arboretum Committee, College-Alumnae Relations Committee; Mrs. Heilman—Education Committee, College-Alumnae Relations Committee; Mrs. Caddock—Library Committee, Gifts and Bequests Committee, Committee on Committees, Chairman of College-Alumnae Relations Committee.

The College-Alumnae Relations Committee, of which the senior Alumnae Trustee is always chairman, has had a series of meetings this past year. Through this channel, it has been possible to bring to the Board of Trustees some of the concerns expressed by individuals and groups within the Association—notably need of the College for an increasingly active fund-raising and public relations program. Some proposals were made to the Board of ways in which these needs might be met. You will be interested to know that these proposals were received by the Board with great interest, and we are encouraged to believe that the exploration done by this committee will bear fruit in the shape of actual planning which may go forward in the coming year.

A plan has been inaugurated providing for an annual report which will be given at each October meeting of the Trustees, setting forth the achievements of the Alumnae Association during the preceding year. This gives a good
opportunity to report to the Trustees developments within
the Association and its support of the College.

The Board of Trustees is setting up a Development
Committee to plan and carry out a financing program for
the College. There will be representation on this Com-
mittee from each group in the College Community: the
faculty, the students, the alumnae and the Trustees.

Miss Moss gave her report as Executive Secretary. She
stated that the problems of Connecticut College were the
same as the problems of other colleges and that we must
plan practical ways and means by which we can be of serv-
ice to the College. She emphasized the importance for all
of us as alumnae of full and correct information about the
College and the Alumnae Association, and explained how
the Alumnae Council and the Alumnae News have recently
been used for the purpose of making certain information
available to large numbers of alumnae.

Miss Moss reported that, believing the Alumnae Coun-
cil meetings to offer excellent opportunities for obtaining
a cross-section of alumnae opinion, and also for dissem-
nating information to the local groups represented by the
Councilors, President Park invited all Councilors to meet
at her home during the February meeting. At that time
Miss Park, Miss Anna Lord Strauss, College Trustee, Em-
ily Caddock, Alumnae Trustee, spoke on the financial
situation of the College. Dorothy Stewart, Alumnae Fund
Chairman, spoke on plans for the Fund. The Sykes Fund
and its relation to the proposed recreation building was
also discussed briefly. A full report of this meeting was
printed in the Alumnae News.

It is our job, Miss Moss stated, to render the ablest
assistance to the College of which we are capable, and in
this connection vitality and unity of purpose are indispen-
sable foundation stones. She pointed out that Alumnae
Association aid in admissions and publicity are not merely
desirable, but necessary, the latter becoming increasingly
important. She reported that at a Boston Club meeting
three College officials had met with club members, second-
ary school officials, and parents in a somewhat different type
of admissions meeting. This program, she said, probably
can be had by other clubs within reasonable distance of
the College.

With regard to the clubs, Miss Moss pointed out the
valuable contributions in terms of service along educational
lines of many of the Clubs. She commented particularly
upon the activity in this regard of our new clubs, Baltimore
and Wilmington. She further pointed out that the various
benefits and the financial and other contributions therefrom
show a laudable unity of purpose and much hard work.

In conclusion Miss Moss said she genuinely felt that
as an Association we are at the beginning of an interesting
and productive phase of activity, since both our experience
and our numbers now permit us to undertake ambitious
projects, which, when carefully planned, can be success-
fully achieved.

Mrs. Meyer then gave her report as President of the
Alumnae Association. She pointed out that the four chan-
nels for work of the Alumnae Association are the Alumnae
Office, Clubs, the Executive Board, and Committees.

Mrs. Meyer spoke of the great indebtedness of the
Association to the staff in the Alumnae Office and extended
the thanks of the Association to Miss Moss and Mrs.
Benjamin.

She then pointed out that many clubs are only now
having their final meetings, hence the club reports are not
complete. Of the nine clubs whose reports are complete,
the total potential membership is 1875, the average attend-
ance 21. Their money-raising work is reported in the
Treasurer's report, and the number which have meetings
for prospective meetings is six. The clubs generally have
requested closer contact with the College by means of films,
speakers, and publicity.

Mrs. Meyer stated that the Executive Board has had
three meetings this year. The first meeting in September
was devoted largely to planning the year's program and to
the appointment of committees. To the meeting in No-

_Palmer Auditorium._
ember two students were invited to attend to discuss their proposed student recreation building. The plans at that time were still nebulous, but the idea was to include gym and recreation facilities, facilities for student government, physical education, and the alumnae. As a result of that Executive Board meeting, it was voted to appoint a committee to consider the use of the Sykes Fund toward the student recreation building. Winona Young is chairman of that committee, whose final report must await further discussion among alumnae, faculty, administration and students and further reports from the Development Committee which is a Committee of the Board of Trustees.

At the May meeting, the Executive Board voted to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee that an extra person be added to the Alumnae office personnel. Reports of various committee chairmen were read and accepted. The suggestion that there be an Alumnae Day or series of days was also passed by the Executive Board. Mrs. Meyer, in conclusion, requested the Alumnae Association to let the Executive Board know any ideas which they may have on any Association questions.

Following Mrs. Meyer's report, there was an open discussion of the use of the Sykes Fund and of the Organization Committee report.

The question was raised whether a recreation building was a suitable memorial to Dr. Sykes. The answer was made that there would be some place within the building, that is, some part thereof, which would be a suitable memorial. It was pointed out that the alumnae could make a start on this student drive by putting in the Sykes Fund, although the students are talking in terms of a $1,000,000 building with the possibility of doing it piecemeal. The students are working very hard on this project via self-help. It was moved, seconded and resolved that this annual meeting send a statement to the students that the Association is interested in their project and wants to hear more when the plans are further developed.

With regard to the Organization Committee report, it was suggested that elective officers be rotated among the decades. One member of the Association objected to the proposed change which would require a contribution to the Alumnae Fund for active, i.e., voting, membership and suggested that no such requirement be made for the first five years out of college. Miss Moss pointed out that it was expensive to send the Alumnae News to all members and that this is to be limited to contributing members. She also pointed out that those who support the Alumnae Association by financial contributions to the Alumnae Fund should have some additional recognition.

It was moved, seconded and resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
NATALIE R. MAAS, Secretary Pro Tem

Harkness Chapel.

BUDGET OF THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
FOR 1951-52
Approved by the Executive Board
of the Alumnae Association

Salaries .................................................. $11,850.00
Supplies .................................................. 400.00
Postage, printing, and stationery ....................... 2,200.00
Equipment ............................................... 500.00
Telephone and telegraph ................................ 325.00
Alumnae News .......................................... 2,500.00
Travel ...................................................... 1,000.00
Miscellaneous .......................................... 500.00
Cash contribution to College .......................... 8,000.00

$27,275.00

Because of rising costs of supplies, equipment, telephone, and postage the Executive Board of the Association set a maximum figure of $27,500.00 for budget expenditures. The above figures are based upon actual expenditures for 1951-52.
Dr. Lilian Warnshuis, now in her third year as college physician, heads a staff of eight in the new infirmary—five nurses and a full-time chef and house cleaner. Appropriately, since alumnae have worked long and actively to help bring the Infirmary to reality, Martha Thumm '38, techniciand secretary, is also on the charter staff.

Members of the campus community, grateful that the college is blessed with a distinguished physician, enjoy too in Dr. Warnshuis a bracing personality, a thorough-going cosmopolite with more than a hint of her native Scotland in her speech.

Born Lilian Cook in Edinburgh, Dr. Warnshuis was graduated from the University of Edinburgh, came to the United States by way of India. There she went as a physician to Vellore hospital, later becoming professor of medicine and acting principal of Vellore Medical College for Women as well as examiner in medicine for the Madras government. Then out of the west came a young American minister, Dr. John Warnshuis from Michigan, who was director of teacher-training at a mission in southern India. For several years after their marriage the Warnshuises continued to live in India, and their children, two daughters, were born there.

After coming to the United States to live, Dr. John Warnshuis remained in religious work, and Dr. Lilian became associate chief of the metabolism clinic and clinical professor of New York Medical university. She was also on the staff of Bellevue and Staten Island hospitals, and was director of the metabolism clinic of the latter institution.

Both Vassar graduates, one Warnshuis daughter, together with her husband, is connected with the civic theatre of Kalamazoo; the other, married to a freelance writer and living in Montana, is the holder of a Master's degree from Columbia in nursery school education. Currently she is putting her academic knowledge into practice with two small daughters of her own. The senior Warnshuises, it need hardly be said, are the traditionally proud grandparents of the two youngest members of the family.

Still somewhat astonished by such a rare stroke of luck in the fortunate coincidence of the Warnshuis' plans with Connecticut's need of a College Physician, we take great pride in the first director of our new Infirmary—a woman of warm sympathies and acute perceptions, a doctor of outstanding competence, who is truly eminent both personally and professionally.

The College continues to draw on the state of Connecticut for its largest source of students. Of the 256 freshmen students this year, 66 come from Connecticut, with New York providing 51, Massachusetts 38, Pennsylvania 23, and New Jersey 21. Almost half are from the New England states, although Rhode Island has supplied only 3 and Maine 4. The remaining number is distributed as follows:

- Alabama .......... 2
- California .......... 2
- Colorado .......... 2
- Delaware .......... 1
- Illinois .......... 7
- Indiana .......... 2
- Kansas .......... 2
- Kentucky .......... 1
- Louisiana .......... 1
- Maryland .......... 3
- Michigan .......... 2
- Missouri .......... 2
- Ohio .............. 15
- Oregon ............ 1
- Oregon .......... 1
- Wisconsin .......... 2
- Washington, D. C. .. 1

There are seven new students, including transfers, from foreign countries as diverse as Switzerland, Monaco, France, Egypt, Germany, Austria, and the Philippines.
Alumnae Scholarships

Eight students have received scholarship aid for the current year from alumnae clubs. They are:

- Bergen County, New Jersey Club—Janet Lindstrom '52 of West Englewood.
- Hartford Club—Shirley Lukens '52.
- New Jersey Club—Mary E. Harrison '52 of Glen Ridge.
- New London—Alice Dreifuss '53.
- Philadelphia—Jane Dornan '55 of Lansdowne.
- Pittsburgh—Elizabeth Smith '54 of Williamsport.
- Washington, D.C.—Janet Fenn '54 of Baltimore.
- Westchester—Janet Kellock '52 of New Rochelle.

The Alumnae Scholarship of $600 was awarded last June to Frances Wilcox '53, and the Cleveland Club selected Noreen Bonk '55, Cleveland, the recipient of its scholarship this year.

Summer Employment

Although the college has emphasized from its very inception the need for students to supplement their academic studies with more practical experience, this year for the first time it has become an official policy of the college. The new catalogue will read: "Students are urged to spend part of each summer in useful activity and to spend at least one summer in significant paid employment." The Personnel Bureau reports that 62% of the students worked during this last summer, that 17% studied, 7% traveled, and 14%, including those who were married, were ill, or who helped at home, vacationed. The total earnings of the students equaled $108,400: the class of '54 earned the highest percentage and the class of '52, the lowest.

Positions as waitresses, counselors, and general office workers claimed the largest number of students, although jobs ranged from teaching swimming on the Riviera to feeding mice in a zoo lab. Wages ran from a low of $40 to a high of $718. Evidently waitressing is one of the best-paid summer jobs available, for most of those students who earned over $500 were employed as waitresses. The average wages for the different classes varied widely. As is to be expected, the older the class, the higher the wage: the average wage for the class of '55 was less than $100, whereas the class of '52 earned an average of $300. The class of '53 earned, on the average, about $200-$300, while the class of '54 earned about $150-$250.

Many students attempted to correlate practical experience with their fields of specialization: for example, a few

Carol singing in pre-Auditorium days.

Marriage Still Popular

On the basis of statistics from the Personnel Bureau, it would appear that the majority of Connecticut College graduates still find marriage the most attractive field of endeavor. Of the 150 graduates of the class of '51, thirty are already married. Graduate study, however, has claimed an exceptionally large number; twenty-three members of the class are studying in universities and professional schools throughout the country. For those employed in jobs, merchandising and teaching appear to be the most popular fields: twelve graduates are working in each of these fields. Insurance and clerical work have claimed ten students each, whereas editorial work has claimed only four. Among students who have found more unusual positions are two who are working in Munich for Radio Free Europe and two working for the Central Intelligence agency of the government. The highest paid member of the class is working as a traffic engineer for the New York Telephone Company.
From Miss Potter in Alaska

We announce regretfully that Miss Louise Potter has resigned as Assistant to the President in order to become dean of women at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

We asked her how it felt to be suddenly transplanted from college life in New England to college life in Alaska.

‘Dear Kay:

Alaska, ‘the great land,’ to translate the Indian name. There are at least ten Alaskas. I am in central Alaska, four miles from Fairbanks, and across the river from the international airport. Today it is 3 above here—blue sky, sun sparkling on the snow, which came to stay on Oct. 5, covering the sweet peas and poppies. I have just had a walk in the spruce and birch woods on the ridge near the magnetic and seismic observatory. The campus view of the Alaska Range, pink in the afternoon sun, is genuinely ‘out of this world.’ At night the starlight and aurora are incredible.

We have approximately 300 students, of whom 76 are women: 42 in my dormitory, 33 married, and four living at home in Fairbanks. They look, act, and talk like students at Conn. College. They are occasionally late and get campused. They ski and skate, they hunt caribou, they go dancing. One girl from Wiseman shot both a bear and a moose before she came down to college! A 4 to 1 ratio of males makes for few psychoses—among the women.

Most women take liberal arts courses, one in agriculture, four in pre-nursing. Many men are taking mining engineering, geology, or wild-life and conservation. The University attracts many scientists because of work in anthropology, paleontology, and research in the aurora, arctic agriculture, weather, etc.

The library and museum are excellent—‘something’ when you consider we are 2000 miles from either Seattle or Edmonton. Just as at Connecticut we have lectures, concerts, movies, ski club, camera club, campus radio station and ‘The Polar Star’, student paper.

There are about 25 faculty homes on the campus. I find the faculty a friendly, cooperative, and hospitable group. Parkas and mukluks are coming out now—as the weather deepens.

Everyone works in Alaska, the students are no exception, summer or winter. In the cafeteria you may sit beside a young man who spent the summer digging fossils at Kotzebue, or fishing off Dillingham, panning gold on the Chandalar, or photographing mountain sheep in Mt. McKinley National Park.

What do I do? I work 7 days a week. My day begins at 8:00 when I get on my storm coat and go to the cafeteria for breakfast. Four days a week it ends at 10:30, 2 days at 11:45, and Saturdays at 1:30—no union for deans, alas! Harriet Hess Hall has an attractive lounge, as the men’s houses don’t, so I sometimes feel I also serve as dean of men.

I have no bell maid or night maid or male janitor. I chase the plumber and electrician myself; Alaska is no place for the helpless female, or one who has dignity to preserve. I listen to tales of untidy roommates, discuss study plans with freshmen, confer with the dean of men when we are in a cool, and sometimes the president. I am getting out a general information book with pictures for the University, much the same sort as I did for Vassar and Connecticut. I do not know where the days go to, but there is never a dull moment; and it’s fun.”

From the Student’s Point of View

We know that alumnae enjoy hearing about campus events from the undergraduate’s point of view. Hence we have asked Frances Wilcox ’53, daughter of Ellen Carroll Wilcox ’20 and this year’s holder of the Alumnae Scholarship, to write some notes for us.

The college has been fortunate in having a series of excellent concerts this year. The first performance was a piano recital given by William Dale, a new instructor in the music department. Covering a wide historical span, Mr. Dale’s program included works by Scarlatti, Mozart, Braham, Debussy, Quincy Porter, and Hindemith. The works of Porter are of particular interest to Mr. Dale because he studied under that composer at the Yale School of Music. Mr. Dale plans to repeat part of his concert in London this June. He will be in Europe during the summer under the Charles Ditson Foreign Fellowship which gives musicians the opportunity to study and perform abroad.

A piano recital was also given by the noted New York pianist, William Kapell, whose performance opened this year’s concert series. With prodigious technical brilliance, he performed works by composers as diverse as Bach, Mozart, Moussorgsky, Debussy, and Liszt.

A third recital, this time on the organ, was given by Arthur W. Quimby, head of the department of music. One of the most interesting and effective pieces on the program was Sowerby’s Classic Symphony, a work transcribed for piano and organ. Miss Patricia Rapp of the music depart-
The drama workshop class, directed by Margaret Hazlewood '32, chose *Everyman*, the medieval morality play, for its fall project. In an attempt to suggest the allegorical nature of the work, the presentation and stage setting were made deliberately artificial and highly stylized. Against a simple background of three Gothic arches, the players formed tableau-like poses and moved in a procession through the audience during Everyman's symbolic pilgrimage to the grave.

Connecticut has accumulated within the thirty-seven years of its existence a sizeable body of traditions, without which college is like a sundae minus the whipped cream and nuts. Climaxing Freshman Week and beginning the College social calendar was the ritual enactment of a tradition almost as old as the ivy on Plant House—the Coast Guard Reception. After the first awkward ceremony of matching ear-ring, bracelet, or diamond tiara, each house junior, with a "remember-this-is-good-for-you-socially" smile, herded her particular group of powdered and perfumed freshmen into Knowlton Salon. Dancing soon broke the ice and the number of psychological casualties proved to be no more than average. Since then, a less formal but equally distinguished reception has been held with Yale.

Seniors who looked wistfully over the banisters at the dancing freshmen and vaguely regretted the passage of youth, took a full measure of revenge on Senior Day. Every senior was to be addressed by underclassmen as "Vision of Loveliness and Joy Forever." To implement her obvious deficiencies in loveliness, each underclassman was required to wear beauty spots on her face, one high-heeled and one low-heeled shoe, and a skirt which did not descend below the top of the knee. The sight, however, must have been such as to wake compassion even from implacable Nature, who sent down quantities of rain and consequently, enabled quantities of underclassmen to huddle under the concealing protection of boots and raincoats.

Mascot Hunt, most favored of traditions, began and ended in confusion for all concerned. Juniors exercised their ingenuity by concealing the first clue in the bottom of a toothpaste tube from which the paste had been removed and, needless to add, replaced. An example of the studious persistence of these searchers after truth occurs in the story concerning the sophomore class president, who retired to her room and to her bed in the hope of losing pursuing juniors. She had been reading the paper for about two hours when a wan voice from under her bed piped, "When you're through with the funnies, please pass them down." The class of '53's mascot and class gift turned out to be an electro-cardiograph machine for the new Infirmary.

The campus became coed for the hectic Soph Hop weekend. In Knowlton Salon, the carols of the Conn Chords, the siftings of artificial snow flakes, and the mirrors decorated with dimpled Santa Clauses made Christmas—and vacation, too—seem just around the corner.

IN MEMORIAM

It was with profound sorrow that the college community learned of the death, on September 21, of Dr. Antonio Rebolledo, Professor of Spanish and Chairman of the Spanish Department.

A native of Peru, Dr. Rebolledo received his bachelor's degree from the University of California and took his doctorate at the University of Madrid. He taught for a number of years at New Mexico Highlands University before coming to Connecticut College in 1947. Mrs. Rebolledo and four children (one of them Angeles Lopez-Pelillo Stiteler, ex '50) survive him.

Dr. Rebolledo was a gifted writer in his native tongue; a number of his short stories have been published and are well known in Mexico. He was a wise and highly regarded teacher; the affection in which he was held by his students was demonstrated by their anxiety during his serious illness, and by the eagerness with which numbers of them contributed blood to the New London Red Cross to replace the plasma he had needed during his first serious operation. He was a colleague respected and esteemed by his fellow faculty members; his well-reasoned opinion was constantly sought and his presence welcomed at every kind of function.

The loss of such a man to the college community cannot be measured. Yet Connecticut College, founded as a college must be on faith in human dignity, can take pride in having had in its community so worthy an embodiment of what the Renaissance, an age that perhaps had a clearer notion of the meaning of human dignity than ours, called the "complete gentleman."
From East to West with the Clubs

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Special honors go to Alice Horrax Schell '20 and Lilian Dauby Gries '27 of ACRON. In September these two enthusiastic alumnae gave a tea at the Schell home for incoming freshmen, present students, and alumnae. What's so special about that? Well, Akron has as yet no organized club, though we understand one is very much on the way.

Although the BALTIMORE club was formed only last June, they are already well under way. At their first meeting, held in the home of Martha Reid Hudson, ex '44, they solved problems of organizing the new group and heard a talk delivered by Mrs. George Clark, wife of a Baptist minister in Towson.

The BERGEN COUNTY, New Jersey, club began their fall program with a reception for freshmen, given at the home of Madeleine Foster Conklin '24. Later, they had the pleasure of hearing Mary Anna Lemon Meyer '42, president of the Alumnae Association, speak at their next meeting.

Alice Ramsay, director of the campus personnel bureau, recently spoke to a large meeting of the BOSTON club, held for the first time in the Junior League headquarters and topped by a buffet dinner. Miss Ramsay spoke about new developments at the College, and particularly about new courses offered. An unusually large representation both of classes and communities within the Boston area was there.

In November the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA club, meeting at a San Francisco restaurant, had as speaker and guest of honor Kathryn Moss, Alumnae Association Executive Secretary. Kay, on a brief vacation visit to her brother and his family in Berkeley, sandwiched in the meeting in order to bring news of the campus and the Alumnae Association to the widespread members of this area. She repeatedly emphasized the value of clubs far distant from New London as centers of Connecticut information, and elicited many nostalgic sighs when she showed the campus pictures.

The CHICAGO club gave a very successful tea in September for five new freshmen and many upperclassmen at the home of Grace Bennet Nuveen, Jr., '35. In October, club members met for luncheon at the home of Elizabeth Martin McMillan '42 to plan their fund-raising projects. Mrs. McMillan started the ball rolling by donating the proceeds from the luncheon to the treasury.

The CLEVELAND club got off to its usual fast start again this year with Betty Schlesinger Wagner '37 as president. In a neat mimeographed program all 1951-52 events are listed—from the September tea to bathing suits for next June's meeting. The meetings already held—the tea at the home of second vice-president Mary Lampsrecht Slobey; the lecture series luncheon in October with Mr. Robert Strider of the campus English department as guest; the evening reception at Hathaway-Brown school for President Park. Mr. Cobbledick, Director of Admissions, has also been in Cleveland this fall, to attend the College Choosing Day.

Managed entirely by new graduates and upperclassmen, and co-chairs by Betty Beck and Annabel Beam, both '51, the tea dance held in September at the Skating Club was highly successful. According to Cleveland newspapers, this pre-school tea dance promises to replace the annual Christmas ball that made such a name for the Connecticut Cleveland club. A series of party nights at different homes has been planned as a special project to raise money for the Recreation Building Fund.

Mr. Cobbledick, Admissions.

Eleanor Clarkson Rine '46, secretary of the COLORADO club was hostess at the first Denver meeting. Plans were made for the Christmas vacation luncheon for Colorado students at Connecticut. Petunias and other flowers and plants were potted last year at the home of Sally Dufield McGinley '46, and their successful sale enabled the small but enthusiastic club to send a substantial contribution to the Alumnae Fund.

The DELAWARE club recently put on an enormously successful scholarship benefit, presenting a benefit performance of the play "Patty Cannon." Although the play was given Monday night and although the performance had already been seen by many residents of Wilmington and adjacent communities, the project was gratifyingly successful in every way. Patty Cannon, incidentally, is a local historical figure, a villainess involved with the illegal sale of captured slaves.

The EASTERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY, Connecticut, club, planning an all-out meeting in January with a speaker from the campus. They held a very successful tea for incoming freshmen and present students before college opened at the home of Helen Hemingway Benton '23. Barbara Freedman Berg, ex '48, has been selected as their new president.

Carrying off typographical honors with their attractively printed blue folder, the WESTERN FAIRFIELD COUNTY club gives a list of officers with addresses, outlines the full-year program, and issues a cordial invitation to everyone in the area to join in the fun. With a potential membership of approximately 100, this group is remarkably successful in interesting the majority of alumnae in the vicinity. The success of their major project last year, a lecture by Marguerite Higgins, astonished and inspired the club members themselves, and made possible a splendid gift to the Alumnae Fund. Led by president Alice Coy Schwenk '31, the first meeting of the year which featured a speaker on interior decorating, was held in October at the home of vice-president Gloria Hollister Anable '24. In November a rollickingly successful square dance for husbands and friends was held at the Darien Community House.

The very active HARTFORD club is already working on the April 19 Tri-College Dance to be given with Skidmore and Colby Junior College. This project was outstandingly successful last year. In December, as a non-financial project, the club sponsored the annual Glee Club concert of the Trinity and Connecticut College Glee Clubs at Trinity. Regular meetings have included a box supper at the Buena Vista clubhouse where slides of the campus were shown, and an open meeting held at the Courant...
auditorium which included a tour of the newspaper plant and a talk by Miss Florence Harrison. Miss Harrison, formerly of the Connecticut faculty is now director of the Service Bureau for Women’s Organizations.

The first fall meeting of the MERIDEN-WALLINGFORD club, held at the home of president Alice Galante Greco ’34, was also a farewell party for Janet Pinks Welti ’47, who has moved to St. Louis. Christmas cards, wrappings, and children’s books and records were sold in order to increase the treasury. Miss Katherine Finney, Dean of Sophomores and member of the College Department of Economics, spoke at the November meeting on new developments on the campus. This dinner meeting was held at the St. George Inn in Wallingford.

Three meetings of the MILWAUKEE club have been held—at the homes of Diane Goes Markham ’44, Margaret Gregory Winkler ’46, and Vi Egan Candee ’46. At the autumn party for high school students interested in Connecticut, slides of the campus were shown and various aspects of campus life were discussed. Plans are well organized for the benefit Quadrangle Ball, by now a well-established annual event.

Getting off to a good start, the NEW HAVEN club had Alice Ramsey, personnel director at Connecticut, for the speaker of their first meeting, held at the home of Anna Cofrances Guida ’31.

The executive board of the NEW JERSEY club acted as hostesses to incoming freshmen and their mothers at a tea this fall, where Gertrude Noyes, dean of freshmen, acted as guest speaker. Their annual scholarship bridge benefit and fashion show was a tremendous success socially and financially. They report that their Connecticut College models were even photographed for the pages of a state magazine. At one of the fall meetings, the members gained some bright ideas on interior decoration from the speaker, Mrs. Katherine Urs, a professional decorator. They were also fortunate in obtaining Mae Howley Barry, the noted poet-playwright, to speak on “Ireland—Island of Saints and Scholars.”

Harriet Warner ’24, program chairman of the NEW LONDON club, and director of the Connecticut College Nursery School, has lined up an enviable series of meetings. For these she draws heavily upon College faculty and administration. Mr. Dale, new member of the Music Department has already been presented in a piano recital, which was preceded by a coffee in the Commuter’s Room. At the next meeting Mr. Logan, chairman of the Art Department, led a guided tour at the Lyman Allyn Museum of the John J. Audubon Centennial exhibition. Mr. Logan shared honors with Mrs. Logan, also of the Art Department faculty, as guest of honor.

At the meeting of the NEW YORK club held in the early fall for thirty prospective students, the color slides of the campus were shown. Barbeur Wise Grimes ’46, who moved out of the city, has been succeeded in the presidency by Jane Coulter ’47. Appropriately, Patricia Morel ’49, social chairman of the PITTSBURGH club, was hostess at the first meeting of the year. Treasurer Barbara Huber ’47 showed slides of a recent European trip. Florence Parker ’47, president, announced plans for another theatre benefit similar to the splendid one of last year. Mrs. Rinchart of the Morals Court gave an unusually interesting talk at the November meeting of which Nancy Crook Tisher ’43 was hostess.

The SPRINGFIELD club has started off the year with two notable events: a dinner meeting in the fall, and their annual tea for incoming freshmen and undergraduates, given at the home of Ruth Katz Webber ’49.

The first meeting of the WASHINGTON club was held at the home of program chairman Dorothy Cramer ’49. The group expressed regret at the transfer of its vice-president, Karla Heurich Harrison ’28, whose husband, General Eugene Harrison, has been re-assigned to Fort Riley, Kansas. Karla did much to help Julie Aheam Walsh ’49, present president, make an outstanding success of last year’s benefit presenting Helen Traubel. Operating expenses of the club will again be met by the sale of stationery and by magazine subscriptions.

Eunomie Bonner Esdale ’41 was hostess for the tea given by the WATERBURY club for entering freshmen and upperclassmen. The club has planned to have each member give a benefit between now and May, by means of bridge parties, teas, or sales, to raise at least $2 apiece as a contribution toward the club’s gift to the College.

A very stimulating speaker from the United Nations addressed the members of the WESTCHESTER club at their first meeting this fall, at the home of Mary Birch Timberman ’23. Earlier, the executive board were hostesses for the tea given in honor of incoming freshmen. Plans have been made for a series of community bridge parties and an auction to raise money for their gift to the College.

Does everybody find the new ALUMNAE REGISTER as useful as I do? In it are catalogued over 5,000 Alumnae names, indexed and cross-indexed by class, geographic location, and maiden and married names, complete with street addresses. The Register of classes from 1919 through 1951 is an up-to-the-minute source of important information for all alumnae, but especially for those who are tied up in any way with alumnae work. It’s only a dollar, and I’m sure you’ll agree that it’s money well spent. The Alumnae Office still has some copies available. Write for it now, while you think of it, if you haven’t already done so. You won’t be sorry!

(A tip in using this Register: if you’re checking for everyone in your geographic area, be sure to check both the graduate and non-graduate geographic lists, not only for your city, but also for surrounding suburbs that may be located in adjoining States.)

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Class Notes

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1919

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Alison Hastings Thomson and family spent the summer between Hartford and Twin Lakes; her first granddaughter was born in July. Florence Lennon Romane writes, "I am still at Hartford High, still have one class of veterans—no discipline with them, but today's youngsters are a constant challenge." She and son Stephen (a science teacher at South Windsor High) journeyed to Washington, where they saw Esther Batchelder, and later drove to Detroit to visit Florence's brother, Word of Batch and her delightful new home also comes from her fellow-townsmen in Silver Spring, Maryland. Marion Wells Colby: "the same vivacious Batch—a sailing enthusiast." Mid's Janet, now Mrs. John Bills, lives in Washington, but son Wells, a second lieutenant, is at Fort Bliss, Texas. The Colby's enjoy swimming, fishing, and crabbing at their Cape Cod cottage on Chesapeake Bay.

Up from Richmond for an autumn vacation, Dorothy Gray Manush and husband stopped in New Haven en route to New London and Boston, and called on Sue Wilcox, of the New Haven High French dept. Sue took a trip to Maine and New Hampshire over Columbus Day. Writes Mildred White, librarian of Caldwell, N.J., High School, "I spent the summer in Woodstock as usual; Orie Sherer spent a week-end with us, and we had one grand time. We rented our old mill for an antique shop, and friends are restoring another old house on our property." Having "deserted the classics for more utilitarian things," Rosa Wilcox has been teaching social studies and American history in Norwich Free Academy, taking courses at various universities during the summers, and guiding her students on trips to the General Assembly in Hartford, to Conn. College to hear Mrs. Pandit, and to Washington.

Still in Klamath Falls, Oregon, Ruth Trail McClellan has moved to a grain ranch.

Son John and his brother Stanley (who has had to postpone plans for a medical missionary's career) have been called into the service. Daughter Margaret is teaching music, besides being a wife. Last year Ruth enjoyed a call from Winona Young and a visit with Dorcas Gallup Bennett and family in Palo Alto, where Ruth also saw Dr. Helen Bishop Thompson, of Connecticut's first faculty.

1920

MRS. JOAN M. ODELL
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There seem to have been lots of sons married this year: La Fette Perley and Karl Reiche's son, Karl, was married in July; Dot Stelle and Wadsworth Stone's son, Wadsworth, in October; Dot Quinard Mix's (ex '20) son, Averille, in February. Kay Halbert Hall has a new granddaughter born to her daughter Nan in June. Betty Poteau has moved to Louisville, Ky. Emma Whippert Peate's son and his wife have received their Ph. D.'s and are working as a research team in California. Emma took a course in creative writing last winter, which gave her "that life-begins-at-ninety feeling." Enaive Gates Woods, ex '20, still has her shop in Mystic. She sold her lovely home and is building a smaller one. Her youngest son is in Germany; her eldest lives in Florida. Catherine Biedell, ex '20, vacationed in Watch Hill and Pennsylvania this summer. Jock and Kay Halbert Hall are enjoying having a German youth (who came to them through the American Field Service) spend a year with them. Margaret R. Milligan passed away September 25, 1951.

1921

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Gloria Hollister Abahle has a new home, just north of Stamford; recently the New York chapter of the Society of Women Geographers met at the Old Grist Mill on her property. Glo is "a Fellow of the N.Y. Zoological Society and recipient of Flag #3 of the Society, which she carried to a depth of a quarter of a mile off Bermuda, in a diving expedition." Elizabeth Holmes, for years with the Judge Baker Guidance Center (which helps juvenile delinquents), is Chief of Social Service there. Betty's colleagues report that she is one of the most eminent members of her profession. She also works part-time for Boston College School of Social Work; her vacation took her to Mexico and Gott's Island.

Gertrude Huff Blank reports the marriage of her eldest son, Philip, in June; her daughter, Frances, '30, works for the Irving Trust Co. in New York; Peter, the younger son, is a senior at Trinity this year. Marie Lester Watrous tags along over Conn. with her attorney husband, while he is on a case. They stop along the way to fish or swim, and have earned the name of "River Rats" by spending so much time on the Connecticut River in their 14 ft. Cape Cod knockabout. Marie finds being a homemaker most enjoyable after all her years as a busy executive. Barbara Kent Keiper's husband teaches civil engineering at Utah State; her daughter, Janet, graduated from Ohio Wesleyan in '39 and has been doing graduate work at Stanford and will continue at Berkeley; son Philip is a sophomore at Ohio Wesleyan; son Harry, the comedian of the trio, is starting 9th grade.

Marion Lawson Johnson acted as hostess at the National Liquefied Gas Convention (her husband was chairman) in Chicago this spring. Later she attended the graduation from R.P.T. of her son David, who is now in the Knowles Laboratory for Atomic and Chemical Research. After spending last Christmas vacation in Florida, the Johnsons stopped to see Gladys Forster Shaban in Raleigh. Elizabeth McDonnell Palmer sent me a card in the midst of canning beans from her garden; making jam from her own plums and blackberries; writing her oldest son who is working in Manchester, N.H.; collecting things for Grace, who entered Earlham College this fall; keeping a fearful eye on her 15-year-old Theodore; and botanizing with her husband.

Gladys Barlow Gammere took a two-week trip to California in January with her husband, the headmaster of Wm. Penn Charter School in Philadelphia and chairman of the Secondary Education Board. Gladys is on the Board of the Southern Home for Children. Hazel Converse Loom tells of helping her husband with his florist's business, along with managing a
house and a 13-year-old daughter, Gretchen. Hazel has been president of the local Woman's Club and the Visiting Nurse Assn., and is now chairman of the Girl Scout Committee. Madeleine Foster Conklin was visited by Ellen McCandless Britton, on her way from Oak Ridge to celebrate her husband's 55th reunion at West Point and to collect her daughter, Joan, from Conn. College. At Cape Cod this summer, Mad saw Elizabeth Wieland Smith Root and Helen Forse. On her 25th wedding anniversary recently, Mad had a telegram from Virginia Eggleston Smith of Seattle.

Elizabeth Hollister, a science teacher at WMI in New London, describes a general upheaval in the city's secondary education set-up. Ann Fraser Latacun is membership chairman of the New London League of Women Voters. Kathryn Moss enjoyed a long-delayed vacation in October on a ranch near Tucson, Arizona. Anna Rogoff Cohen works in the office of her physician husband in Lynbrook, N. Y.; was a state grand officer of the Order of the Eastern Star; and has a 20-year-old son attending college in New Hampshire.

Margaret Lamberton Sweet writes from Minnesota that her son, Charles, is married and working in Toronto. Her second son, Henry, is a sophomore at Princeton, and her six-year-old twins, Peggy and Sally, are in first grade.

They have an old farmhouse and 200 acres on the Shenandoah where they hunt with the Blue Ridge hounds. Margaret is chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Northwestern Hospital Board in Minneapolis and has held two summer benefits at her home.

News of our ex members: Lucy Ford McCorkindale (Sioux City, Iowa) was married in 1924, has 2 sons, works for the church, Red Cross, Bays and Girls Homes, and Community House, Lillian Gramman vacationed at a Maine camp surrounded by mountains she "has ceased to climb." She lives with her sister at Fairfield Beach, Conn. Estelle Hoffman Saiman has 2 daughters and a son: Barbara, 24, employed in the laboratory of Hartford Hospital; Toni, 16, at Wellesley; Peter, 22, in the Naval Hospital Corps School at Bainbridge, Maryland.

1925

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Peg Ewing Hoag has a new grandson born to her daughter Nancy in January; Peg's daughter Alice entered Smith this fall. Grace Bennett Nauneen's daughter Margaret is now married and will live in Geneva. Grace Demarest Wright will travel this year to England, Scotland, and South America with her husband, who is president of the American Heart Assn. Her daughter Barbara was married this summer; Alison is at Chatham Hall, and hopes to enter Connecticut later. Peg Meredith Littlefield, who has a son in the 9th grade and a daughter at Mt. Holyoke, reports a delightful visit with Gay Meeremck Crawford and her 2 boys in Ridley Park. Dorothy Loewenthal Pinkus has a son in the navy, Nancy, '50, is with the Family Service Agency in Chicago after a year at the University of Chicago. Son Arnold of Betty Arnold Hayes, ex '25, was recently married.

Jo Perry Weitz's older son enlisted in the Navy after 2 years at Dartmouth; her younger son is a sophomore there. Jo is still playing golf. Peg Cort Palmer is executive secretary for the Connecticut Women's Golf Assn. Her older son is a lieutenant (j.g.) on a destroyer; her younger is working at the Electric Boat Co. Peg reports that Nan Apld Wright's daughter was married in August. Anna Albee Houston's daughter, Ann, graduated from Colby Junior College this spring and is going to Skidmore, but Jackie is trying to interest Marcia in Connecticut. Virginia Luzskich reports a luncheon date at Phyl James's with Charlotte Long Carroll, whose son has been called into the Marine Officer's reserve. Constance Parker, who visited Gloucester and Nantucket this summer, recently had dinner with Betty Allen. Betsy, who lives with Jean Howard '27, gave a fine performance of her marionettes.

1926

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Amy Wakefield left for a late vacation with her family in September, taking in Minnesota, Michigan, and Kansas City, where Amy's sister is now making her home. Barbara Bell Grouch and family (except Calvin, whose duties as a Coast Guard Cadet preclude family trips) had a week in Quebec in August and came home enthused. I brought Barbara's daughter Judy to Shrewsbury for Labor Day weekend and introduced her to camping on the Long Trail in Vermont. Despite 3 days of fog and rain, we had an enjoyable time and Judy proved a good camper. Judy, together with Judy Kohn, Jessie Williams Kohn's younger daughter, had a busy summer teaching swimming in Waterford. Jessie's older daughter, Pat, has transferred from Connecticut State to Conn. College, as a junior.

From Irene Peterson Casper comes the welcome news that she has made a splendid recovery from her spring operation. Kay Colgrove took time while vacationing at Nantucket to send me news of the recent marriage of Clarissa Lou Funk, daughter of the late Arlene Haskins Funk and stepdaughter of Dorothy Andrews Funk, both of '26. Kay also wrote of Alice Hess Patterson's change of locale, and I wrote Inez Hess for details. She writes, "G.E. is starting a new plant in Louisville, Ky., and moving key men, Wes being one. He and Al flew there and bought a home in St. Matthews, where they expect to move before November. Bob, a senior, will continue at the University of Connecticut. Aunt Inez had a workload as an Aunt while Al was away and took the kids to Albany, Hartford, etc., to see more of the east before going south."

Helen Hood Diefendorf sends word that Babs Brooks Bixby, when last heard from, was having a grand vacation abroad. Helen wrote from England, "Our son Robert enlisted in the Navy in July and has been stationed at Bainbridge, Md., for basic training." Her daughter Carolyn is a freshman at Connecticut this fall. Helen also wrote that Donald, son of Kitty Kahakee King, is now in the Army, Kay Daubey Bronson and her family took a quick trip into Maine this summer and several short trips, including one to Old Sturbridge Village. It is with great personal sorrow that I report the death of my father on October 23.

1927

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Richard, the son of William and Loisbridge Ellis, was married in October. Edward and Frances William Wood's first grandchild was born in September. Our president, Sarah Ann Pihlau Becker, spent a busy summer entertaining painters and paper hangers, and is now starting on her round of flower shows; she is co-chairman of publicity for the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's section of the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Eleanor Richmond, who is teaching biology at Newton High School, flew to Puerto Rico this summer for a three-week visit with friends. Elizabeth Lees Watton took an eight-week bus trip this summer through the south and up the west coast; she stopped in Potsdam, N. Y., to see
Mildred Beardsley Stiles and two of her three daughters. Mildred received her M.A. in education from St. Lawrence University. Edmund and Natalie Benson Manley have two daughters at Connecticut: Susan is a junior and Martha is a freshman. The entire family spent the summer in Brattleboro, Vermont.

Lucile Gilman, head of all the hat departments in Bonwit Teller of Philadelphia, is president of the Philadelphia Millinery Council and was in charge of the Hatter's Ball. A nice new letter arrived from Barbara Tracy Coughan, who is leading her usual quiet life of mothering four children, organizing Camp Fire Girls, speaking for the Red Cross, taking a course in home nursing, etc.

To George and Elizabeth Fowler Cox we extend our warmest sympathy on the death of their only son, George III.

1928

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We moved to Pittsburgh in September and received a prompt welcome from Louise Gay Fullen, who arranged for me to attend a meeting of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Club, and I must say it was a very pleasant way to be introduced to our new community. A long letter from Bugs (Edith Cloyes Millhauser) tells of the 'most wonderful summer imaginable': Bugs and her son, John, went with Mrs. Cloyes on a 15-day tour to the Pacific Coast; then with Bugs' husband, Joe, on two of his business trips in N. Y. State; and finally, spent ten days at a lake in Vermont.

Beatrice Lord, whom I saw at reunion, is Assistant Guidance Director in the school system of Winthrop, Mass., Counselor in the Junior High School, and an active member of the College Club, Delta Kappa Gamma, Church Guild, and Mass. Assn. of Deans. Mildred Rogoff Augell brought her whole family to reunion: her attorney husband, and two daughters, Judith, 13, and Janet, 6. Mildred is doing substitute teaching and works with the Girl Scouts and P.T.A. Also at reunion was Bill Page McNutt, whose husband and two sons, aged 16 and 11, had driven her from Philadelphia as far as Durham. Jeannette Bradley Brooks came all the way from Greensboro, N. C. Her husband is General Manager of the Carolina Paint and Varnish Works; they have two children, Janet, 16, and Donald, 8. Because Jean said that one thing she missed down south was lobster, we all had dinner Friday night at Skippers’ Dock. Hazel Gardner Hicks did not have to travel far, for her husband is a Coast Guard Officer at the Academy; their daughter, Jane, is a freshman at Connecticut; their son, Bill, hopes to be a Coast Guard Cadet in two years. Betty Gordon Van Law, full of pep, says she still rides, swims, and plays golf at their home in Westchester. Her husband, Jesse, is a Life Insurance executive; they have two daughters, 15 and 12.

1929

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Elizabeth Udey Lamb vacationed last summer in West Swanzey, N. H. Pat Hise Myers, Mary Slagter Sorenberger, and Jan Bommers Barnard spent a good deal of time on Cape Cod during the summer. Frances Wells Vroom spent the summer between Southold, L. I., and Montclair, while her daughter Barbara, 13, had a glorious time at camp. Elizabeth Spicer worked in the office of the Connecticut College School of the Dance last summer and reports it was an enjoyable change from her usual work with teen-agers at Chaffee School in Windsor, Conn. Ellie Neumuller Sidmull's daughter, Shirley, is a freshman at Connecticut this fall. Helen Minckler Dawson and her husband, Ted, are now living with Helen's father in Geneseo, N. Y. They moved there in June at the end of Helen's year of teaching in Waterford, N. Y. Jean Hamlet Dudley has also changed addresses: she moved from Guilford, Conn., to Charlotte, N. C.

1930

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Ruth Brown attended in October the 250th anniversary of Yale—a great occasion with representatives from many colleges. Ruth had Bianca Ryley Bradley as a weekend guest recently, when they went to their high school reunion. Meg Jackman Green's (ex ’30) oldest daughter graduated from Pembroke in June. I was in Swampscott in June at the national convention of Medical Technologists.

Margaret Cook Curry is in Marietta, Ga., where Herman has a position with Lockheed Aircraft. Frances is a junior at Montclair College, Peggy Jean is in 10th grade, and Johnny, 9 months old, keeps Peg busy. Bill and Ellie Mester Chiswell and son Billy have moved to Stoughton; Jane is joying her first year at Jackson. Ruth Langley, ex ’30, is secretary of the Massachusetts Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Assn, and has been teaching physical therapy at Sargeant College since 1947.

Helen Hayden Villamil unpacked her reunion-packed suitcase at home to take care of two of the youngest of her brood of four who had suddenly developed measles. The family is very musical and plays a trombone, trumpet, two clarinets, organ, French horn, and piano. Kathleen Halsey Rippere and family went on a trip in October to Watkins Glen, Niagara, and Cooperstown. The trip was perfect even if they missed Princess Elizabeth by only half a day at Niagara.

Dorothy Qinigley and her parents went to Indiana and returned home through Canada this summer. In addition to teaching American history and international relations at New Britain High, Dot has three pictures entered in the Amateur Artist's Show. Ethel Odic, ex ’30, reports that she had a wonderful summer in Sweden, Norway, and Switzerland.

1931

Mrs. Ross Davis Spangler
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Dorothy Clarke School came north in July to celebrate her mother's birthday and to get Linda from camp. Dottie and Caroline B. Rice recently had a get-together in New York. C. B. and Alice Kindler had their usual visit with Lusina Kent ’30 on Cape Cod in August. A newspaper clipping, sent me by C. B., tells of the prowess of Melicent Wilcox Buckingbham's son, John: he won the Law Cup at Indian Harbor Yacht Club for the Pequot Yacht Club.

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the sudden death of Edna Martin Kittridge on July 10, 1951, in Michigan.

1932

Mrs. Charlton C. Ferris
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58 Morton Way, Palo Alto, Calif.

Congratulations to Mary Elizabeth Wysob Jones who, to the best of my knowledge, is the first of our class to have a daughter on the campus. She writes that Pamela is now all settled at North Cottage and is most enthusiastic. Eleanor Roe Merrill has had a full summer: after spending 10 days in Pittsburgh with her parents in the early summer, she and Earl had a grand vacation in Nova Scotia, the Maine coast, and an in-
land Maine lake. Ellie and Earl also took in a Yankee baseball game in New York with Ruth Seanor Hubbell and her husband. Priscilla Dewett Willard writes that being a working gal as well as being a homemaker keeps her busy, but not too busy to take on the job of our class representative on the Alumnae Fund. Marjorie Stone Donaldson went east this summer and, on the way back to Tiffin, stopped to spend two days with Isabelle Ewing Knecht in Warren, Ohio. Stoney's eldest, Mike, is going to Western Reserve Academy this fall. Stoney also writes that she has become an enthusiastic golfer, and she and her husband have joined a summer theatre group.

After being in California for a year, I have finally seen Mary Butler Melcher (Northern and Southern California are farther apart than you Easterners may think). Mary and John and their children, Jack, 16, Bill, 14, and Lynn, 8, stopped here in Palo Alto to spend a day with me and my family. Mary is still tiny and red headed, but not one of the children resembles her in this latter respect.

1933

MRS. ROBERT DALZELL
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Helen Wallis Christensen has been living in Kansas City for five years and has two girls: Linda, 12, and Patsy, 8. The Christensens hope to occupy soon a new home which they are building further out in the suburbs, and they extend a cordial invitation to any Conn. Collegiates passing through Kansas to be sure to see them. On a trip east, Helen spent a delightful day with Marjorie Fleming Brown and Ruth Norton Mathewson. Margaret "Sunny" Ray Stewart says, "like many of us, most of my time is occupied with family and household chores." However, she still finds time to do volunteer work at the Evanston hospital, and is active in the Junior League and a Garden Club.

A note from Anna May Derby Gillmor, who lives in Annapolis, Md., says that she saw Dorothy Hamilton Algire in Bethesda as often as possible. On one visit to Dot's home they spent an afternoon with Elsie Nelson and Jo Eakin Despres. Elsie had just won an honorable mention in a Philadelphia Art Show for an oil she did under the direction of Dot's father. Jessie Wachenheim Barach, on a short vacation, visited the far end of Long Island to spend the afternoon with Gay Stephen. Jessie has two children, Betty, in junior high, and Billy, in kindergarten. She finds time, however, to enjoy tennis, gardening, and playing football and baseball with her young son, "Jo Athlete," which helps to keep her young.

Katherine Hammond Engler brings news that she is doing publicity for the Connecticut Alumnae Club in New Jersey. Much of her time is also spent as publicity chairman of "New Eyes for the Needy, Inc." Kay has also done some radio and TV work, and still manages to find time to look after her husband, son, and home. Our class president, Dorothy Wheeler Spaulding writes that her husband, Earle, is still connected with Temple University Hospital, teaches, and does a great deal of research work. The Spauldings have three children: Carol, 16, Betsy, 15, and Dick, 11. Dottie devotes much of her time to the religious education committee of their church and to a second-hand shop run by the Temple University Women's Auxiliary for a building fund for a new hospital.

1935

MRS. RUDOLPH FINK
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Born: To Richard and Catherine Jenkins Morton, their third son, Frederick Allen, on August 5. To Keith and Ida Schaub Hunter, twin girls, Margaret and Bethany, on May 12. Ida now has four girls and one boy.

Dorothea Schaub Schwarzkopf, with her husband and two sons, vacationed at Point of Woods this summer with Kay Jenkins Morton and her family. Dot has been state secretary for the League of Women Voters of Connecticut for the past three years and has recently accepted the position of secretary for the Middletown league. Dorothy Finkley Stein writes that her two boys spent the summer at camp in New Hampshire while she relaxed at home with her three-year-old daughter, Nancy. Nancy Walker Collins has moved to Buffalo, N.Y., where her husband is an instructor at Albright Art School; she has opened an antique business there.

Marion Warren Rankin, her husband, and baby daughter, Jean, have recently bought a new house in Wethersfield, Conn. During the summer the family moored their sloop in the harbor at Branford, Conn. Bobbie Birney Pratt and her family had a corn roast at their home in Plymouth, Conn., this fall at which there were eight members of our class, complete with husbands and children. Besides Bobbie herself there were Kay Jenkins Morton, Sabby Farr Sanders, Mary Al Doris ChapPELL, Mary Warren Rankin, Joe Ferris Ritter, Marion White Vander Leer, and Dori Schaub Schwarzkopf.

Betty Lou Bovall Forrest writes that Johnnie has been made head of Civil Defense for Larchmont and Mamaroneck, in addition to doing a great deal of work with the Boy Scouts. Betty Lou's own project is being chairman of the personnel and clinic committee for the New Rochelle Guidance Center, for which several other Connecticut graduates work. To cap it all, the Forrests have three P.T.A.'s to attend. The entire family took off this summer for a lengthy trip, which included the Grand Canyon among many other national parks.

1936

MRS. ANDREW T. ROLFE
(Josephine Bygate), Correspondent
Country Road, Westport, Conn.

As some of you may have noticed, our address has changed. We are in a new house and though it is rather bare both inside and out, we like it very much. We spent three days in August in Manchester, Vermont, playing golf, and hope whenever possible to center any further vacations around a golf course. We had a couple of wonderful evenings both here and in Bronxville with Margaret McKelvey Reen, Harriet Kelly Douding, and Alice Dorman Webster. We missed seeing Joyce Cotter Kerr at Gertrude W'ye DeWitt, but hope to catch up with her in the near future for I hear both she and Eelyn Kelly Head are now living in Stamford.

A real reunion took place at Saybrook, Conn., in the form of a picnic and swim at Bunny Dorman Webster's summer cottage. Alya Griswold Haman came over from Old Lyme with her parents and daughter, Wendy. Frances Virtan Hughes came down from Manchester, Conn., and Ellen Woodhead Dougherty, ex '36, was in Old Lyme while her two children were at camp, so that she was able to join us too. Betty Parsons Lebow— the real reason for the get-together— was there with her 12-year-old daughter, Anne, and her mother. Pare had been taking a look at the college and said that Anne was quite impressed with the campus but still a little too young to find the idea of going away to study very appealing. Josephine Merrick Mock, ex '36, sends word that her daughter Jolly went to Baltimore in August to enter the National Championship for sailing and won third place for her class of boat; her son Bruce is on the high school freshman football team.
1938

MRS. JOHN K. STRIFERT
(Beatrice Enequist), Correspondent
186 Kilburn Road, Garden City, N. Y.

Born: To Jacob and Betty Anderson Verdinia, a daughter, Leslie Amelia, on October 9, 1951. Betty's other children are Lans, 8, Jan Christine, 6, and Charlotte Maria, 2. Her husband teaches at the Ohio State University biological station located at Put-in-Bay. They are doing over ten years of folk and square dancing.

Andrew and Mary Marcy Schulte report the birth of a daughter, Susan, in December, 1949. "Mary's" husband is a full professor and head of his department at Cornell. Jean Howard, ex '38, flew in to Ithaca in the fall of '50, and had a nice visit with Mary and her husband while their plane was grounded.

John and Margaret Myers McLean have been busy since March starting a Mission Episcopal Church in Bon Air, a suburb of Richmond, Va. "Cricket" is president of the Women's Auxiliary and John is Junior Warden. Their two boys, ages 7 and 6, are in St. Christopher's School in Richmond.

Natalie Bailliere Eddy spends most of her time travelling with her husband, who owns and operates Helicopters. California is their main base. Nat saw Elizer King Kyng in Washington, D. C., and Barbara Care Franklin in Cleveland. Kitty and "Casey" each have two children.

Your correspondent keeps busy with three children and their innumerable activities. Dottie, 11, is a Girl Scout; Louise, 7, is a new Brownie; Richie, not quite old enough for kindergarten, is a big help to me at home. My husband is working on a thesis and hopes to get his M. A. from N. Y. U. this spring. We spent part of our vacation this past summer at Cape Cod.

1939

MRS. LOUIS W. NIE
(Dreda Lowe), Correspondent
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Born: To Wright and Catherine Abe Bronson, their third daughter, Pamela Sue, on August 13, 1951.

Dorothy Clements Downing has exchanged case work for remodeling an old family home. She, her husband, nine-month-old Donna, and assorted pets comprise the fourth and fifth generations to live there. Others who are enjoying long-range plans for redoing old homes are Beatrice Dodd Foster and Eunice Yorks Millard. They, together with Carol Prince Allen, Virginia Taher McCamey, Mary Winston Dickigeson, Barbara Myers Huddles, and their husbands, had a great reunion at Beat's last June. This group, plus Doris Houghton Ott, Elizabeth Fesenden Kenab, Nancy Weston Lincoln, and Henrietta Farum Gallacher, has kept a yearly round robin going for over ten years. Beat's daughters are Susan, 5, and Wendy, 20 months.

Helen Gassenheimer Newman, ex '39, is living in Montgomery, Ala., while her Army captain husband is in Japan. Helen has a daughter, 5, and a son, 1. Eunice Titcomb is working at Grumman Aircraft. Jean Ellis Blamkein, who moved into a new home last spring, is a member of the Board of Directors of the San Francisco League of Women Voters and a member of a study group of the World Affairs Council of Northern California.

1940

MRS. HARRY L. GOFF
(Mary Giese), Correspondent
18 Hawthorne Road, Wellesley Hills, Mass.

Born: To Bill and Pat Alvord French, a daughter, Jeannine Lyon, on September 27. To Peg Boo Gardner and husband, a daughter, Kathy, in March.

Dot Newell Wagner writes that she has had two daughters, Ellen, 4, and Martha Ann, 6, and lives in the country—"in fact at Podunk Four Corners, Mass., which is almost as country as you can get." Betty Doering Shimmin, ex '40, has also moved to the country. She and Dave have a very busy working day running a dairy farm outside Columbus, Mo., and taking care of their two children. Polly Frank Shaw, husband, and two sons have moved to White Bear Lake, Minn., and are remodelling a big old house. She sees Henry and Katherine Warner Doerr and their four children. Occasionally she sees Jane Clark Her and family on visits to Columbus, Ohio.

Katherine Meili Anderson and her two boys have moved back to New York because her husband, Dave, is now an associate editor for McGraw Hill's AVIATION WEEK magazine. Shirley (Mickey) Rice Holt has moved to Groton, Conn., with her three children: Carla, 7, Gindy, 4, and Charles, 3. She loves being back near Conn. College and, together with Patsy Tillugbus Shaw, in Mystic, is working for the Alumnae Fund. Dick Holt is station manager for Northeast Airlines in New London, and Mickey teaches at nursery school. Mickey also writes that Catherine Pastridge Post has three children and lives in Lakewood, N. J., and that Nancy Badger Hedden still lives in Portsmouth, N. H., with her two sons.

MRS. THOMAS P. DURIVAN
(Lorraine Lewis), Correspondent
204 Broad Street, New London, Conn.

Born: To Irving and Barbara Berman Levy, a third child, Mary Jane, on February 27. To Eleanor Fuller Skinner and husband, a second son, Christopher, on April 8. To John and Elizabeth Morgan Keil, a daughter, Marguerite, on September 25.

Ruth DeYoung Barrett writes that she is taking an AAUW-sponsored course in her college major, art, this winter. When she weekended with Lu Horan last June, Uffie learned that Lu collided in Bermuda with Ruth Doyle. Betsy Barker McKenna does substitute teaching in the New Haven schools and tutors children; her husband works for the New Haven Boy's Club. Betty Brick Collier is now a "full-fledged insurance broker." Bill was called back into the service and is now somewhere between Kiska and Japan, expecting Korean war. They have returned to Elmira, N. Y., where Bill is vice-president in charge of manufacturing in his brother's aircraft plant. The Schweizers and their three boys have acquired a 100-year-old house. Anne Breyer Rivton, Ian, and the three children will leave in February for at least a year's stay in Japan. They will move into a new, modern home on the island of Kyushu: servants (plural, no less), a car, and a two-week vacation in Tokyo are included.

In New London, Connie Bragau Carney takes care of her two children, Anne Carol Margaret, 6, and Philip William Hempstead, 5; acts as representative for concerts
and lectures for Crawford productions in New York and Open Forum Speakers Bureau in Boston; and ghost-writes for musicians, supplying either music or lyrics. I recently saw Edwin Patton Crasbowa; our new class agent, who was here in New London to attend a meeting of class agents. At a League of Women Voters' training session in Glastonbury this summer, I bumped into Thea Dutcher Cohn, who is busy with community work. I also saw Rae Johns Off, in Linwood, N. J., in August: the Ofs have two daughters, a St. Bernard, a cocker, black angus steers, and a beautiful home.

1942

MRS. PAUL R. PEAK
(Jane Worley), Correspondent
533 Vista Drive, Falls Church, Virginia

Married: Priscilla Barr, ex '42, to Carlisle Stewart, on April 28. The Stewarts live in San Francisco; Priscilla still works at the Business Training Institute, which her husband owns.

Born: To Robert and Jean Staats Lorish, Nancy Staats, on October 23, 1950, in Allentown, Pa.; the other Lorish children are Bobby, 7, and Chris, 4. To Russell and Elizabeth Bentley Viering of Hartford, Peter Bentley, in February; they have another son, Chip, 6. To John and Adele Rosebrook Barr of Yonkers, N.Y., Richard Charles, on March 16; Pete will be three in May. To William and Dorothy Barlow Coy Kendall, Frederick Barlow, on April 23; their other children are Robert, 7, and Carol, 5. Dot and Bill have a real estate business with Betty Little Gruenow and her husband in Riverside, Conn. To Stanford and Lois Linhan Blitzer, Dorothy Ann, on August 5, in Long Beach, Calif.; in September the Blitzers moved to Boston. To Roger and Grace Nelson Auge, Grace Galvin, on June 15, at Park Hills, Ky. After so many years of baseball suits and blue jeans, they are thrilled to have a girl in the family. Roger is in the third grade, and Nelson is in the first. Big Roger travels for the Electric Storage Battery Co.

Bill and Margaretta Hsack Jones, ex '42, celebrated their 10th anniversary in June with a picnic supper at which Mary Ann Kwis Caboss, Olive Manthe Stone, and Sally Turner Melkey were present. Manny and Bill have three children: Tommy, 7, Patty, 3, and Trudy, 2. They own their own home in Youngstown, Ohio. Barbara Sexton Clark has moved to Porterville, Calif., where her husband is minister of the Popular Community Methodist Church. Their children are Ginger, 6, and Bobby, 3. Betty Jane Binger Harrison, ex '42, and her husband live in Hibbing, Minn., where Hugh is president of Pacific Isle Mining Co. They spent three months in Arizona last winter with their three children: Scott, 8, Diane, 7, and Perry, 4. In August Betty and Hugh took an ore boat down the Great Lakes.

We Pears have been busy lately. Paul got his M.S. in physics at Ohio State University and has been assigned to Coast Headquarters where he is the radiological safety engineer. Our daughter, Lucy Nicol, was born on August 11, in Columbus. Roger was only 1 and Lucy was not yet four weeks old when we moved to our present apartment in Falls Church, a suburb of Washington. We have bought a small modern house, now under construction, in Maryland. I am now membership chairman of the Washington chapter of Coast Guard Wives.

1943

MRS. SAMUEL SILVERSTEIN
(Ruby Zagoren), Correspondent
Haddam, Conn.

Born: To Herman and Elizabeth Failor Woodworth, a second son, Robert Merrill, on August 14. To Farnum and Carolyn Thomas Spicer, a second daughter, Melissa Louise, on July 22. To Philip and Betty Clavendon Harinett, a daughter, Barbara Clarendon, on July 8. To Elwood and Jean Kohlhauser Carter, a daughter, Susan Jean, on April 27. To Lawrence and Betty Pease Marshall, a third child, Thomas Dudley, on July 27.

Early last summer Katherine E. Johnson and Elizabeth Middleton Brown returned to Connecticut for a weekend; they had dinner with Dean Burdick, Miss Warner, and Miss Thomas and saw all the rest of the physical education department. Elizabeth Smith Litzey, ex '45, has Betsy, 7, and Bill, 4, and is therefore busy with PTA. Irene Steckler Jacobson writes that she is on leave from her job as a psychiatric social worker with the NYC Bureau of Child Guidance and is taking care of her year-old Laurie. She was at Connecticut in June for her sister Ann's graduation and saw Thelma Gustafson Wylard who was there for her sister Mona's graduation. Irene comments that "Thelma and Bob are thrilled with their adopted son, Brooks." Irene also saw Jack and Alicia Henderson Speaker, who have two children and live in Groton. Virginia Leary entertained a guest from Australia this summer and also managed a visit to Atlantic City. Back at her regular job of teaching at Norwich Free Academy, Ginny is taking rug-hooking as an extra-curricular course. Betsy Pease is again in Connecticut, for Lawrence is teaching at the Coast Guard Academy; they have a cottage in Niantic. Betsy says Elaine Wagner and her three boys are there too, and she's also seen Alicia Henderson Speaker and Janet Ayers Leach, all Coast Guard wives.

1944

MRS. ROGER F. KLEINSCHMIDT
(Jeanne Jacques), Correspondent
16 Parker Street, Belvidere, N. J.

Born: To George and Georgiana Hawkes Watson, a third child, Judy Ann, this summer. To Dick and Mary Louise Duncombe Knight, a third child, Richard Raynor, on July 30. To Sidney and Virginia Pattison Henderson, a third child, Sidney Elliott III, on August 9. To Orin and Marion Kane Witter, a daughter, Helen Hubbard, on August 25.

Dorothy Raymond McAd writes from Rochester, N. Y., that her son Eddie, age 2, keeps her busy and is the primary reason for her and husband Elbert's house hunting. Dottie reports that she has seen Helen Rippey Simpson a few time at algebra meetings. From Betty Robinowzhe Sheffer, who enjoyed a summer at Westport, Conn., comes the news that Teresita Corniti and Barbara Stone both traveled to Europe this summer. Helen Crawford Tracy has moved to Whittier, Calif., where Bill has a job at North American Aviation. The class extends to Helen their sympathy in the loss of her mother and sister Barbara in April.

Mel Duncombe Knight reports that in addition to their new son, she and Dick have two other children: Kenneth, 4, and Carol, 1. Betty Creamer Garrett writes that immediately after graduation she accepted a job with the Army Signal Corps in Washington, D. C., and two years later married Lieutenant Commander James Garrett, who had just returned from the South Pacific. They moved to Durham, N. C., where Jim attended Duke University and obtained his Ph. D. in mathematics. Their daughter, Patricia Lynn, was born on December 1, 1949. They have now bought a home in Atlanta, Ga., where Jim is an assistant professor of mathematics at Georgia Institute of Technology.
ford, a son, Platt Rogers, on June 12, 1950. To Elmer and Clara Sinnott Lipsey, a second son, on November 27, 1950. To Jack and Barbara Avery Jakobs, a daughter, Susan, in March. To Howard and Clara Gafford Barto, ex ’45, a daughter, Nancy Lynn, in April. To Adrian and Elizabeth Bevans Cassidy, a third child, Lynn Porter, on April 2. To William and Gertrude Proctor Fuller, a third daughter, Julia, in May. To Bill and Grace Wilson Webb, a second child, William, Jr., on July 22. To Mel and Charlotte Tomlinson Taft, a son, Mills Walter III, on September 13.

A letter from Jane Ober Rodgers in Washington, D.C., brings news of alumnae in that area. Wida Beck Bennett and Ed have just moved into a new Rambler there; Katherine Murphy Kreutzer and Gertrude Proctor Fuller are in the same vicinity. Jerry is president of the Washington chapter of Coast Guard wives. Jane also reports that Ethel Schall Goseh, Warne, and young Slepy are now back in the States, in Taft, Calif. Ethel and Warne toured the Philippines for a vacation this summer. Betty Gilpin Griffith and family are also in California, in Mare Island.

Elizabeth Seiss Dahlgren and Wallace are in Corpus Christi where Wally is instructing air cadets. Clara Sinnott Lipsey’s husband, Leo, is in flight training there. Other service husbands include Eleanor Strohm Leavitt’s Bill who is in Frankfurt, Germany, with the Army; Connie Barnes Merlur’s husband, Alan, who is in the Navy; Marion White Weber’s (ex ’45) husband, Herbert, who is back in the Air Force in Illinois. The Webers have two daughters, Janet, 6, and Vicki, 4.

A letter from Elemaore Strohm Leavitt tells that she is living in Montclair with her mother and two daughters. Kathryau Gudder Ratter writes that she moved to Barberton, Ohio, in the spring, where Jack is an engineer with the Babcock and Wilcox Co. The Rutters have two daughters, Ann, in kindergarten, and Jane, age 1. Kaki writes that Shirley Armstrong has moved to Kansas City, Mo. Grace Wilson Webb reports they’ve moved to another place in Charlotte, N.C. Bill has recently formed a partnership there with another lawyer.

1946

MRS. RICHARD H. RUDOLPH
(Marilyn Coughlin, Correspondent)

128 East Walnut St., Kingston, Pa.

Married: Barbara Neville to Donald Kornreich, on September 1, 1951, in Harkness Chapel. They are making their home in Bradford, Pa., where Don is an engineer with Dresser Co.

Born: To Samuel and Miriam Imber Fredman, a son, Neil Allen, on August 29. To Albert and Jean Jacobson Krich, a daughter, Susan Dana, on August 8. To John and Alice Wilgots Ferguson, a second daughter, Sandra Elizabeth, on May 16. To John and Barrie Kahn McGeevery, a daughter, Susan Robinette, on June 13. To Lemsul and Elison St. John Arnold, a daughter, Carolyn Lee, on June 14. To Sydney and Joa Weissman Barsess, a second child, Patricia Gail, on March 31. To William and Jane Fullerton Aitton, a third child, Robert Stewart, on May 11. To John and Patricia Kreutzer Heath, a second son, John Carlyle, on June 10.

For the past two years the Heaths have lived in Exeter, N.H., where Jack teaches English and coaches soccer and basketball at Exeter Academy. During the summer the Heaths direct a boys camp on Lake Champlain. Patty writes that Marjorie Bolton Orr and Bob are in Fairfield, Conn., where Bob works for General Electric; their son, Duncan, is 9 months old. Susan Bates Heath, ex ’46, and Darwin entertained Patty and Jack during spring vacation at their home in Media, Pa. Darwin is head of the research department of John Arndt Advertising Co. Virginia Pearson Boybout, Matthew, and their daughter spent the summer near Patty in New Hampshire.

Patricia lick Steck, ex ’46, Charles, and son Chuckie, 3, are living in Harrisburg. Betty Reiffel Bry, Dick, and Ellen Jane, 11 months, spent the summer on a lake near Bedford Village, N.Y. Barbara Fry Starr, Buck, and Buddy, 2, are living on Lake Michigan. Buck is a reporter for the Gary Post Tribune. Dorothy fitke Winnette, ex ’46, Winn, and sons, Mark Allen, 3, and Ward Perry, 1, have purchased a home in Emporium, Pa.; Winn is an engineer with Sylvania Electric Products, Inc. Virginia Summerville Hackman, ex ’46, and Bob vacationed in Canada this summer; they and their daughter, Cindy, 1, are living in Bridgeville, Pa.

1947

BARRAB MILLER OTIS
Correspondent

333 West 78th Street, New York, N.Y.


Born: To Dick and Lorraine Pimm Simpson, a daughter, Dale, in September. To Ralph and June Williams Weber, a daughter, Christina, in August.

Chuck and Nickie Yeager Cole have taken up residence in Bakersfield, Calif., where Charles is with the J. C. Penny Co. Jack Costler drove out to the coast this summer and, en route, paid Nicki and Chuck a visit. She came back with glowing reports.

Nicki, incidentally, was home for a visit this fall to attend the wedding of her brother, Bill, to Barbara Kite ‘48. John and Marty Stevens Walsh are living in Rensselaer, N.Y. John has an insurance company in Albany. Cyril and Corine Manning Black are living in Princeton, N.J., where Cy is teaching history at Princeton University.

Phil and Janet Pinks Wels have moved from Meriden, Conn., to Louisville, Ky., and will be living close to Nancy Remmers Cook. Phil is with General Electric’s new office there. Jean Fay has a new job with Franklin Simon department store as a copywriter. Betty McKay is an assistant editor in the college textbook department of Prentice-Hall, Inc. Pat McNatt Dowegan is the society editor of the New London Day in New London.

1948

MRS. DANIEL FULLER
(Katherine Noyes), Temporary Correspondent

2 Jackson Ave., Mystic, Conn.

Married: Chella Sladek to Lieutenant(jg) George R. Schmidt, USCG, on February 20, in Chicago. They are now living in Guam where George is stationed. Margaret Milliken to Ralph W. Tyson, on March 10, in Wilmington, Del. Helen Gramm to Allyn E. Ehler, on May 6, in Cheshire, Conn. They are now living in Wallingford and have returned to their respective jobs: she’s with the Aetna Life Insurance Co. of Hartford; he’s with Landers, Frary, and Clark of New Britain. Rosalie Cremer to H. Henry Heinzelmann, on June 16, in Vineyard, N.J. They both work for the same U.S. Government agency in Washington and have taken an apartment in nearby Arlington. Betty Burroughs to Henry Bleckley, in August. Hank works for Pfizer Chemical Co. in Groton, where they now live. Barbara Kite to William Yeager (brother of Nickie Yeager ’47), on October 6, in Larchmont. Beverly Campbell to Albert L. Foster, on September 22, in Scarsdale, N.Y. They now live in Rye at easy commuting distance from New York City, where Bev continues as receptionist for the advertising firm of Batten, Barton, Durstine, and Osborn, and where Al is associated with Lord and Taylor’s.

Born: To Len and Virginia Given Richardson, a son, Harold Leonard III, in May. Marika Hartman Herndon, Dudley, and nine-month-old Dudley III have bought a
new home on the outskirts of New London; Dud works with the Electric Boat Co. in Groton. Marion Koenig SharjenJteiu has brought her year-old daughter, Leslie Jean, to her parents’ home in Brooklyn where they’ll stay until June, when Tom returns from a year’s duty with the Coast Guard in the Aleutians.

Edith Aichmegenburg and Angelo Shons took time off in November from their jobs with the Phoenix Mutual Insurance Co. of Hartford to enjoy a holiday in Florida and to tour the south in Augie’s car. Rita Weight Ledbetter and Jack are living in Hartford with their year-old son, Scott. Mary Alice Clark is now in Bradenton, Florida, doing botanical research for the state.

1949
SYBIL WIZAN
Correspondent
150 Magnolia Street, Hartford, Conn.


Born: To Al and Barbara Cowell Perrin, a daughter, Martha Lynn, on June 20. To Jimmy and Babette Flint Eiler, a daughter, Caroline, in Wilmington, Del. Babette Flint Eiler, to Jimmy and Babette Flint Eiler, is teaching math at Tower Hill School, in Wilmington, Del.

1950
RUTH L. KAPLAN
Correspondent
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Dorchester 24, Mass.


Born: To Lieutenant Frank and Selby Lynn Graham, a son, Frank Wesley, Jr., on July 30, 1950. To John and Dorothy Warren White, a daughter, Caroline, in July. To Richard and Rosanne Klein Ratt, ex ’50, a son, Michael, on September 13. To Neal and Marilyn Crane Williams, a daughter, Laurie Ann, on July 8. To John and Eleanor Wood Roberts, ex ’50, a daughter, Elizabeth Penfield, on September 22. To Robert and Polly Hedland Hampton, ex ’50, a son, Mark Steven, on September 19. Polly and Bob have moved to Berkeley, where Bob is starting his first term of law school in the evenings and is working as an accountant in the daytime.

Many of our classmates are doing graduate work. Joan Couroy is working for her M.A. in English at the University of Connecticut. Dorothy Hollinger is studying for her M.S. in education at the University of Pennsylvania. Rachel Ober is continuing her study of music at Columbia University. Joyce Bailey Kaye has earned her M.S. in psychology and is now studying for her Ph.D. while working for the clinical psychology department of Boston University. Nancy Allen spent last year at the New York School of Social Work at Columbia University and is now a social worker at the Newington (Conn.) Home and Hospital for Crippled Children. Nancy Paklin and Charlotte Hodges are both at the University of Chicago. Nancy is living at the International House and studying for her M.A. in social work; Charlene is working for her M.A. in English. Jean McClure is at Yale Divinity School and hopes eventually to get a position as assistant to a college chaplain.

Teaching, too, has claimed many of us. Virginia DAVIS is teaching physical education in Yakima, Wash.; Ginger is contemplating picking apples in her spare time, for apple-pickers make more money than teachers do. Ella Lou Hoyt Dimmock teaches music at the Shady Hill School in Cambridge, Mass., and also continues her voice study. Joanna Cobahn Dreier is working with musical therapy for children who are victims of cerebral palsy. Barbara Biddle is working at the YWCA in Newark, N. J., where she holds the impressive title of “Director of Teen-Age Activities.” Maucette Moody is teaching at the Green- vale School on Long Island. Terry Mauger is now in her second year of teaching physical education as well as doing part-time psychological testing at St. Margaret’s Preparatory School in Waterbury, Conn.

Among those in the publishing field are Carol Crane Stevenson, who works for Conde-Nast publications in Greenwich, Conn.; Beth Yonmau, who works for CORNET, and Priscilla Harris, who works for McCALL’S, both in New York City; Marcia Dorfman, book editor and assistant to editor of SEVENTEEN; Dorothy Globus, editorial assistant for MODERN INDUSTRY; Diane Roberts and Barbara Gold Zingman, who works for Fairchild Publications, Di in New York and Bobbie as the Louisville, Ky., correspondent. Bobbie also writes society news for a Louisville paper and is research assistant for the Chamber of Commerce. Edime Buch does research work for FACTS, INC.

Alice Hess does market research for the Atlantic Refining Co. Edith Kolodny Mitchell is a buyer for Allied Stores; her husband, Shelon, graduated from law school in June. Nancy Bemiss and Cynthia Hill are both at Jordan Marsh Co. in Boston. Nancy is secretary to the head of the display department and Cinny is in the training department. Also in Boston are Jane Keeler and Rhoda Freed, who are both in the training squad of Filene’s department store. Delired Coons works at B. Altman’s in White Plains, N.Y., to support a new addition to her family—a horse, named Cherry Birch. After several months in Florida, Pat Ionto is now in merchandising at The Tailored Woman shop in New York City. Shirley Hossack is a junior pharmacologist at Hoffman-LaRoche, Inc., in Nutley, N. J. Also in New Jersey is Nina Antonides Winton, who is with Merck’s Inc. Alice Norrey is secretary to the president of Columbia University.

Gabrielle Norworthy Ryder is now a member of the U. S. Air Force stationed in England and finds life on the base delightfully similar to life in K. B. Ann Gebrie recently returned from several weeks in Hawaii. Carol Booth spent last fall and winter in Europe and is now working in Washington, D. C. Naomi Harburg and Ruth Kaplan vacationed in Canada this summer. Both are now working for the federal government; Naomi at the Boston office of the OPS and Ruth at
the Boston Naval Shipyard. Dorothy Abra-
yn Turtz is at Fort Worth, Texas, where
her husband, Arnie, is stationed as a doctor
with the Air Force. Selby Iuman Graham
is now living in Key West, Florida, where
her husband, Frank, a Navy lieutenant, is
stationed. Christine Holt Kertz and Henry
recently bought a house in Miami. Holly
Barrett Harris and Dave are building a
house just outside of Bristol, Conn., and
hope to have it completed by June. Mari-
lyn Wanker Johns and Marilyn Crane
Williams are both living in Seattle, Wash.
Nancy Canova Schlegel now lives in Allen-
town, Pa., very near her sister-in-law.
Marilyn Malizia Schlegel. Janis and Mar-
lis Bluman Powell are planning a trip home
to Montclair over the Christmas holidays.

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Marricd: Barbara Thompson to Benedict
L. Stabile, on June 10. June Lent to Ensign
William J. Baldau, USCG, on June 18.
Paula Melzer to Melvin J. Nelson, on
June 21. Zita Parrwell to Warren McClel-
land, on August 4. Peggy Frank to George
Huber, on August 25. Nancy Libby to En-
sign Karl F. Peterson, USCG, on August 25.
Marjorie Weeks to George Owens, on
September 1. Mary Cardle to Justice Lowe,
on September 7. Chloris Bissell to Lester P.
Jones, Jr., on September 8. Barbara Nash
to Robert F. Sullivan, on September 22.
Pat Roll to Joseph Loeb, on October 14.
Others married since graduation in June:
Iris Bunn to James M. Hutchinson; Carolyn
Fine to Edward Sacks; Phebe George to
Frank G. Mason; Arvyn Hauknecht to
Robert Mack; Elizabeth Hoiz to William
Waterhouse; Mary Pennywit to Maxwell
Lester II; Betsy Wasserman to Newton
Coleman; Nancy Wirtzburg to W. Steel-
man Morris, Jr.

Bobby Thompson Stabile and Ben are
now living in Arlington, Mass., where Ben
is stationed with the Coast Guard; Bobby
has a job with the personnel department
of Jordan Marsh Co. William and June
Lent Baldau as well as Karl and Nancy
Libby Peterson are also living in the Boston
area. Warren and Zita Parrwell McClelland
are living in Youngstown, Ohio, where Sis
is taking an eight-week's course prior to be-
coming a library assistant. Peg Frank Ha-
ber and husband are living in Philadelphia,
where Peg is doing personnel work for a
department store. Mary Cardle Love
and Justy are living in Allston, Mass.: Mary
has a part-time job in the physics library
at Harvard University. Chloris Bissell Jones
is at present enrolled in a merchandising
training program at Bamberger's. Nancy
Wirtzburg Morris is now head of the in-
fants department at a new Sears & Roebuck
store in Stamford.

Touring Europe during the summer were
Lois Allen, Charlotte Chapple, Louise Hill,
Ann Jones, Phyllis McCarthy, Donna
Schmidt, Justine Shepherd, Mary Martha
Schnick, Diana Weeks, and Frances Wil-
ton. Two tour leaders, Olivia Brock and
Judy Cliffpiper, liked the trip so much that
they decided to remain in Munich, Ger-
many; Olga is working for Radio Europe
and also teaching English, history, and
philosophy in night school; Judy has a po-
sition with the International Refugee Or-
ganization.

Both Sheila Albert and Joan Awend took secretarial courses this past summer.
Eleonore Holterman and Joan Trastocki are
at present enrolled at Katherine Gibb's.
Elaine Feinsterwald and Barbara Molinsky
are attending Columbia Law School. Also
at Columbia are Natalie Bowen, taking
graduate courses in music, and Helen
Parlousch and Frances Wilson, both in the
Occupational Therapy School. Sue Akin
and Ann Daniels are at the New York
School of Social Work; Danny is sharing
an apartment with Fionor Vose Wiedewald.
Nancy Moiz is enrolled in the Philadelphia
School of Social Work. At Boston Univer-
sity Mona Gastonson is taking graduate
work in psychology. Voyn Grover is atten-
ding the Fletcher School of Diplomacy in
Boston. Joanne Willard is at Cornell
graduate school, enrolled in their Dean
training course. Carol Barnell is studying
classics at Brown University and acting as
housemother for Pembroke. Elizabeth Bab-
bott and Frances Nering are doing graduate
work at Harvard University. Phyllis
McCarthy is working for her Master's in
physical education. As a Fulbright scholar,
Olga Krapen is studying in Italy.

Judy Adaskin is on the training squad at
Filene's department store in Boston. En-
rolled in the trainee program at Sterling
Lindner-Davis, a Cleveland department
store, are Sue Bergstrom, Virginia Collingham
and Mary Jane Jobson are business trainees
at Time, Inc. A true Auerbach major,
Vivian Jobson is continuing with the
training program at G. Fox & Co. With
the Central Intelligence Agency in Wash-
ington are Ann Andrews, Carol Halv, Rose-
mary Lake, Janet Strickland, Anita Tholl-
ts, and Barbara Wiegand. Among those
teaching are Renee Aichoffeburb, at a
private school in Maryland, Betsey Colgan,
teaching kindergarten in Westbrook, Conn.,
Connie Kelley, holding classes in Latin and
physiology at the Gateway School in New
Haven, Dot Keppell, in Cambridge, and
Justine Shepherd, instructing physical edu-
cation in New Jersey.

Beverly Tucker is working for the Prov-
dence Washington Insurance Co. in Prov-
dence. With the Prudential in Newark is
Rhoda Levy. Nancy Chapp and Joanna
Diags are doing statistical research for the
New York Life Insurance Co.; they share
an apartment in New York City with Joanna
Appleyard, who works for the Guaranty
Trust Co. Nancy Bolz is a personal sales
representative for the Liberty Mutual In-
surance Co. Working for the Travelers
Insurance Co. in Hartford are Sally Buck
and Lois Allen, as actuarial clerks, Priscilla
Meyer, in the publicity department, and
Jane Young, in theunderwriting depart-
ment. Helen Johnson works for the Actua
Insurance Co., also in Hartford. Joan
Blackburn, Sari Buchner, and Inez Marg are
in the publishing business: Sari is secretary
to the managing editor of Angosy, and
Inez is connected with CUE. Radio work
has claimed Phyllis Hoffmann, secretary to
the program manager at a Chicago station;
Jane Minn, at CBS, and Peggy Park, in the
continuity department of CBS.

Anne Wieshenson is a receptionist and
desk girl at the Cleveland Clinic. In addi-
tion to working for her M.A. at the Hart-
ford School of Social Work, Vera Santami-
ello is employed as a social worker for the
state department of welfare. Elizabeth
Sanroplf is with the nursing staff of the
New York Hospital. Marilyn Alhern and
Marilyn Cobledick are working in the des-
ign department of the Electric Boat Co.
Nancy Kaufman works for the Personal
Loan Corp. Ann McCredy is an assistant
to a professor at the Harvard Business
School. Buck at C.C., Katherine Sheehan
is now in charge of the mimeographing and
mailing office. This past summer Janice
Schanman was a lecturer at the DuPont
exhibit in Atlantic City. Prudence Merrit
is at the reservation desk of Pan American
Airlines. Rowena Williams works for a
travel bureau in Bermuda. Alice Kinberg
is a service representative for the New Eng-
lend Telephone Co. in Worcester, Mass.
Margie Erickson is with Mudge, Wering,
& Howell Co., a retail buying house.
Martha Morse works for a Schrafft's re-
staurn in White Plains, N.Y. In Cleve-
land, Annsbel Beam, Betty Beck, and Mar-
tho Harris are doing 100 hours of volun-
teer work in connection with their Junior
League course. Annabel, Sue Bergstrom,
Mary Merkell, and Anne Wieshenson recently
gave a Monte Carlo party to raise money
for the Recreation Hall Fund: they
raised $80.
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