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# Counseling:

## How?

## When?

## Where?

## Why?

*From the very beginning, an undergraduate is tied to her college by an umbilical cord of interrogatives four years long. The questions she asks vary from expressions of doubt during a seminar, to angry challenges hurled at political candidates. Sometimes, queries flow toward the student, as in the calvacade of those ruthless robots known as "blue books."*

*This role of inquisitor continues for most of us after graduation. Thus, when President Shain commented recently on the cost of increased college counseling services of all kinds, the Alumnae News decided to investigate.*

*Our interest at first extended no farther than the nature of these services and their administration. Gradually, what began as just one more report on a college function, grew into broader aspects relating to the girl herself and the quality of contemporary life that makes counseling necessary in the first place. As in undergraduate days, "What?" led to "How-when-where-why?"*

*Unlike years ago, when students were seen and not heard, today's Connecticut girl is a one-man NET station. It comes as naturally to her to air opinions about drugs, pills, and the controversial Paradise Now, as to speak of new academic programs, or one's responsibility to the community. But in spite of what many parents believe, the trend is not merely a matter of decibels, but one of soul — caring enough about the world to be concerned with every part of it. What follows then, in this search to help others, is the need to know one's self.*









## Science and Sympathy

### — THE DOCTOR AS COUNSELLOR

MARY N. HALL, M.D.

Director, Student Health Service

In four short years, medical or psychiatric counseling within the Student Health Service has grown from the hopes and needs of 1962, to approximately two thousand visits from two hundred and fifty students during the past academic year. The total will be even higher in the future since the staff now includes a psychiatrist thirty hours per week, a psychiatric social worker twenty-five hours per week, and two medical doctors. To understand why such a staff is necessary, let us consider why it exists and how it operates.

Keep in mind the remarks heard most often today from parents, alumnae, and faculty — "What's so different these days? How come you have all these kookie kids in college now? It was never like that when I was in college. What's the matter with these kids, needing a psychiatrist all the time!" And so . . . to our *raison d'être*.

The growth of counseling services in educational institutions involves the combination of two forces: the product offered, and the need for that product. The first of these has grown steadily with the development of modern knowledge and skills in psychiatry and counseling. Quite simply, there is more to offer a student now than was available fifty or even twenty-five years ago.

Examples of such change are found in many fields of medicine. Prior to the introduction of general anesthetics in 1846, there were very few appendices, gall bladders, or tonsils removed, which is not to say that people did not have appendicitis, gall stones, or tonsillitis. But when the development of anesthetic techniques made modern surgery possible, the incidence of diagnoses of appendicitis and appendectomies rose precipitously. It is doubtful that the incidence of appendicitis itself has changed much. Similarly, the development of psychiatric and counseling techniques since the turn of the century, has made possible both some understanding of the bruises and lacerations of the human psyche, and some

treatment. In other words, the increase in neuroses and psychoses looks bigger than it really is.

But it is also possible that there is a real, as well as apparent, increase. This reality, the existence of an increasing need, is the second force operating in the growth of the Student Health Service. It is much more difficult to prove statistically since there are no comparable figures for the neuroses and psychoses among the peoples of ancient Egypt, or of medieval Europe. It is also much more difficult to analyze. Still, human nature has probably changed very little, and man's capacity to suffer and endure not diminished. More likely, the culprits lurk in the Yin and Yang of the society we have created for ourselves, and in the unprecedented pace with which it pours in upon us all.

**T**he job of the counseling services is to catch as many of the students as possible when they start to simmer and boil over, before they blow up or before they get thrown off on the curves. The greatest part of the work should be classified as preventative medicine with the hope of avoiding the need for later therapy.

Let us look briefly at some of the influences students have pounding on them today, all double-edged swords cutting into their lives with good and evil. Late adolescents are 75-80% of the college population. They typically have an ego structure which is tenuous, one which is reaching out and searching, but not yet well-formed. They are introspective, and much of their time is spent in wondering "Who am I?" and "Why am I?". They have a natural, young-animal love of adventure, excitement, and even violence in a world



where all are trying to absorb the fantastic impact of atomic power and space travel. They need goals for their idealism and energy in a world in which permissiveness, affluence, and materialism have come to be worshipped, in which moral standards are in a state of flux, value judgements are uncertain and unpopular, and in which old traditions of family and church life are dissolving. They have paradoxical needs for individuality and for conformity, which give them their ambivalence of fascination and fear about impersonalization of society by mechanization, automation, computerization. They are exposed to a constant and intense flow of information accoustically and visually. The adventure and violence of individuals, groups, and nations is served to them nightly in the news reports with their dinner, and again at 11 P.M. "wrap-ups." They are thrown together by the speed of travel and communication, and they act and react on one another as catalysts. They do not have the patience or perspective yet to understand that it takes time to build new things after the old are knocked down. They want what they want NOW.

At a recent Conference on Violence and Aggression, while discussing political extremists and their psychodynamics, Dr. Richard Chessick of Northwestern University said, "The quasi-delusional quality of the beliefs, the inaccessibility to debate, the over-simplification of issues, and the preoccupation with violence and destruction, in an individual with a paucity of deep human relations are typical features of these patients." Although Dr. Chessick was describing *patients* who have a weak or indeterminate ego formation, the description fits another group of individuals who generally need to be considered as sick, or as patients, but who are going through the normal stages of adolescence and have not yet developed their mature quota of ego strength. This type of behavior may be considered normal for the tumultuous adolescence period even though it is pathological for mature adults.

In Student Health Service counseling, much of what is dealt with is normal, not pathological. We see anxiety states, identity crises, adolescent adjustment reactions, sexual experimentation, drug adventures, hostility, anger, guilt, fear.

Any one of these can be put under the heading of "growing-pains." A student may need a doctor for help in finding a reasonably mature equilibrium just as much as a young athlete needs a trainer to help him reach optimum performance without injury. In neither case are we talking about patients. We are trying to *prevent* disability and pathology. Understanding, sympathy, tolerance, guidance, patience, reassurance — these are the tools of counselors.

We do see in the Student Health Service pro-



Mary N. Hall, M.D. "Understanding, sympathy, tolerance, guidance, patience, reassurance—these are the tools of counselors."



gram an occasional case of schizophrenia, an occasional manic-depressive, a rare suicidal risk, a character disorder or psychopathic personality. These are real patients who need treatment not counseling, and they are few compared to the great number of normal adolescents who are seeking out themselves, and who find that like the rest of us, they must stumble some in the dark and hit some detours. These girls are encouraged to come on in and "take course 101 in YOURSELF" along with Biology 101 and English 101, and "consider it part of your college education." That primarily, is our *raison d'être*.

**T**hose of us who are alumnae should be grateful to a President and a Board of Trustees who understand and support this need because, as President Shain put it in the August 1968 issue of *The Alumnae News*, "Among the most sharply rising costs of the college is the cost of providing medical, psychiatric, and counseling services of all kinds." Growing up and learning about one's self are an important part of a college education, as important as learning about other people and things. Our college has had the wisdom and foresight to allow us in the Student Health Service to use our offices as personal classrooms for our "student-patients".

We have also been allowed to become something of a bridge between adolescents and adults, commonly known on a campus as students and faculty, as everyone shifts for position and anguishes about "relevance" and "values", trying at times to help the students understand the establishment and at other times to help the establishment understand the students. In *The Key Reporter*, Summer, 1968, Rosemary Park wrote, "If one were to propose a motto for the next 50 years for . . . any college or university, I can think of none better than the phrase . . . from Isaiah — 'Come let us reason together' — the last word is controlling, and it is not perhaps irrelevant to recall that the scripture promises that even those who have great sins and failures can be restored." She did not have reference to Student Health Service counseling in the statement, nonetheless, it seems appropriate as a description of one of the commitments of counseling within a health service; providing the "togetherness" can have emotional and intellectual components. Bridge-building is certainly another legitimate function of a counseling service, for any counselor worthy of the name must listen a lot, and can thereby become aware of the specific problems on a specific campus which trouble a great many people. Proper dissemination and discussion of these

problems in the appropriate administrative offices and committees can frequently help lead to solutions before explosions. The perceptive counselor has a finger on the pulse of many student "hang-ups". An editorial in a medical journal stated recently:

The shape of the current student unrest is the shape of the restless seas driven before a gale. Study either and you see that, what for the moment appears to be an individual wave in the moving mass, has in fact no beginning and no end but merges and blends with a new wave aborning or an old one dying; and the distant illusion of order turns out, on closer inspection, to be only an organized disorder in which, from time to time, a towering sea crests and bursts into thunderous turbulence. This is the undergraduate rebellion. Broadcast in voices few but loud, its ostensible motives stand out briefly as entities, but soon concern over the draft fuses with concern over the war itself, then over all war. The great surge of the civil rights movement spawns vocal eddies demanding 'rights' for other social minorities, for the poor whites, and of course for the students themselves; and if no ripe cause presents itself, it is easy enough to invent one. The peace-loving students and ex-students of the hippie ripple renounce society only to find themselves engulfed by young campus activists who, fiercely dedicated to reforming society, sit-in or fight for their right to a voice in their own destiny, in the content of the curriculum and even in the appointment of faculty. This wave, too, sometimes explodes into violence.

An awareness of the seething undercurrents is easy to come by in medical counseling, and an opportunity exists then to help pour oil of reform on troubled waters, or build a bridge of communication between islands of resentment before the breakers crash. The storm warnings picked up in countless counseling sessions in the Student Health Service have been put to some use in college committees as changes have been made in calendar days, reading and review periods, special study periods, graduation requirements, parietal hours, excuses, and all manner of "in loco parentis" collegiate practices. This is not to say that all demands can be, or should be, met. But being aware of them, facing them, and reasoning together is certainly of critical importance. Some great discrepancies and inconsistencies can sometimes be found on the islands on either side of the bridge. The college whose administration and faculty are aware of and interested in the students' dissatisfactions is the college which finds itself trying to solve problems in discussions in committees rather than with sit-ins, walk-outs, and riots. General information obtained in the coun-





Mollie B. Brooks, psychiatric social worker

seling in the deans' offices, faculty offices, chaplain's office, and medical offices provides much of the feed-in for these committee meetings. Problem solving by tugs-of-war and matching of wits in committee meetings is, I think, a remarkably appropriate technique to be fostered by any college community.

**T**he *modus operandi* of the counseling facilities in the Student Health Service is flexible. Many of the cases are self-referred. Sometimes a student is referred by one member of our staff to another member who seems better qualified to help with that particular problem. Or the referral may come from a dean, a faculty member, or a student housefellow. The greatest number of students come in for 3 - 6 - 8 sessions, on an appointment basis. Most of them are seen individually, but group sessions in which 6-8-10 students participate with the counselor as the leader are coming to be used more since our staff now has a psychiatrist and a psychiatrist social worker who are capable of handling group therapy. In competent hands, group technique can be a very economical and efficient approach. Groups help students develop an awareness of the frequency and similarity of their common problems, and thereby reduce some of their feelings of loneliness and anxiety. Skilled leadership, however, is necessary to prevent development of bull-sessions or grievance committees.

One outstanding use for which group technique has been adapted in our Student Health Service, is the interaction between the staff and the student housefellows. All but three dormitory housefellows are now students. Being a housefellow places a student in a delicate and difficult position — part administration and part student. All stu-

dent housefellows are faced with dilemmas because of peer relationships which non-student housefellows do not have. The psychiatric social worker sees all housefellows weekly (one group of ten, and one group of nine). This is an enormous expenditure of time and energy, but there have been two large dividends. First, we are kept in touch with many unhappy and/or difficult dormitory situations in which we can help find or guide the housefellow towards a solution before a disaster. Second, the young student housefellows themselves get a very realistic kind of on-the-job training, with the support and counseling they need to handle their own personal maturational problems in the midst of all the other challenges they find from the students in the dormitories. This use of a counseling service demonstrates much of what we have discussed in previous paragraphs: counseling for prevention, not necessarily for treatment, and counseling which benefits the donors (the college) as well as the recipients (the students). Very capable young women emerge from a year of student housefellow experience, after a unique educational opportunity.

This year we have a total of five groups; two are with the psychiatrist, and three are with the psychiatric social worker. Common problems of exam panic, desire to transfer or just plain escape, sexual crises, identity crises can all be dealt with in groups or with individuals privately. One has to judge whether the support and harrassment of the group or the individualization of privacy will better serve the needs of the student.

**C**ounseling services on campus generally have been well received. There is not as much hesitancy or embarrassment about using them as one might anticipate. Indeed, the problem is more in providing enough service than it is in having it used. We have tried very hard, and continue to try very hard, to assure the student body that their personal communications are confidential. It is quite possible for students to come to us without the knowledge of deans, faculty, or parents. Records are available to no one but the Student Health Service staff. Making use of counseling for "growing pains" is not, as has been mentioned before, necessarily considered representative of sickness, and consequently does not need to be referred to in later health references for positions or graduate studies.

The matter of confidence has, like most other things, advantages and disadvantages. If one is dedicated to the validity of the principle itself,



and truly understands that it is a *sine qua non* of any Student Health Service, one then accepts the bitter with the sweet and lives through the occasional snarls created by that confidence. However inefficient we may appear to be at times because of a lack of communication with deans, faculty, or parents, we would probably be doing little of any consequence if we did not protect confidences. Few, if any, students would then come to us for counseling.

Situations do arise in which deans, faculty, or parents must become involved in order to get a specific job done. In such cases, the third party is informed of generalities without personal details, and with the student's knowledge of, and consent to, the exchange of information. These situations usually develop when the student's problems are caused by, or result in, academic complications. Some manipulations in the academic area then become necessary such as a course drop, an extension of the due date of a paper, a deferment of an exam, even a leave of absence from college.

A leave of absence, incidentally, is very different from suspension or expulsion. The latter are disciplinary actions, while the "L.O.A." is meant to provide one of the most essential ingredients for maturation — TIME. Six months or a year away from college can do wonders for the student who travels or works. I personally prefer that the student NOT study or take credit courses during such a leave because, in most cases, she is either already supersaturated or just not ready yet for intellectual work at the collegiate level. It is difficult, however, to change the habits of undergraduate education from its lock-step i.e. four courses per semester, two semesters per year, four consecutive years.

Counseling, then, both helps solve problems for the individual, and exposes problems for the college. Involvement in this area of the life of a college is exciting and challenging work, giving an opportunity to us all to keep attuned to each other and to be "where the action is" while trying to keep this action to constructive evolution. ■

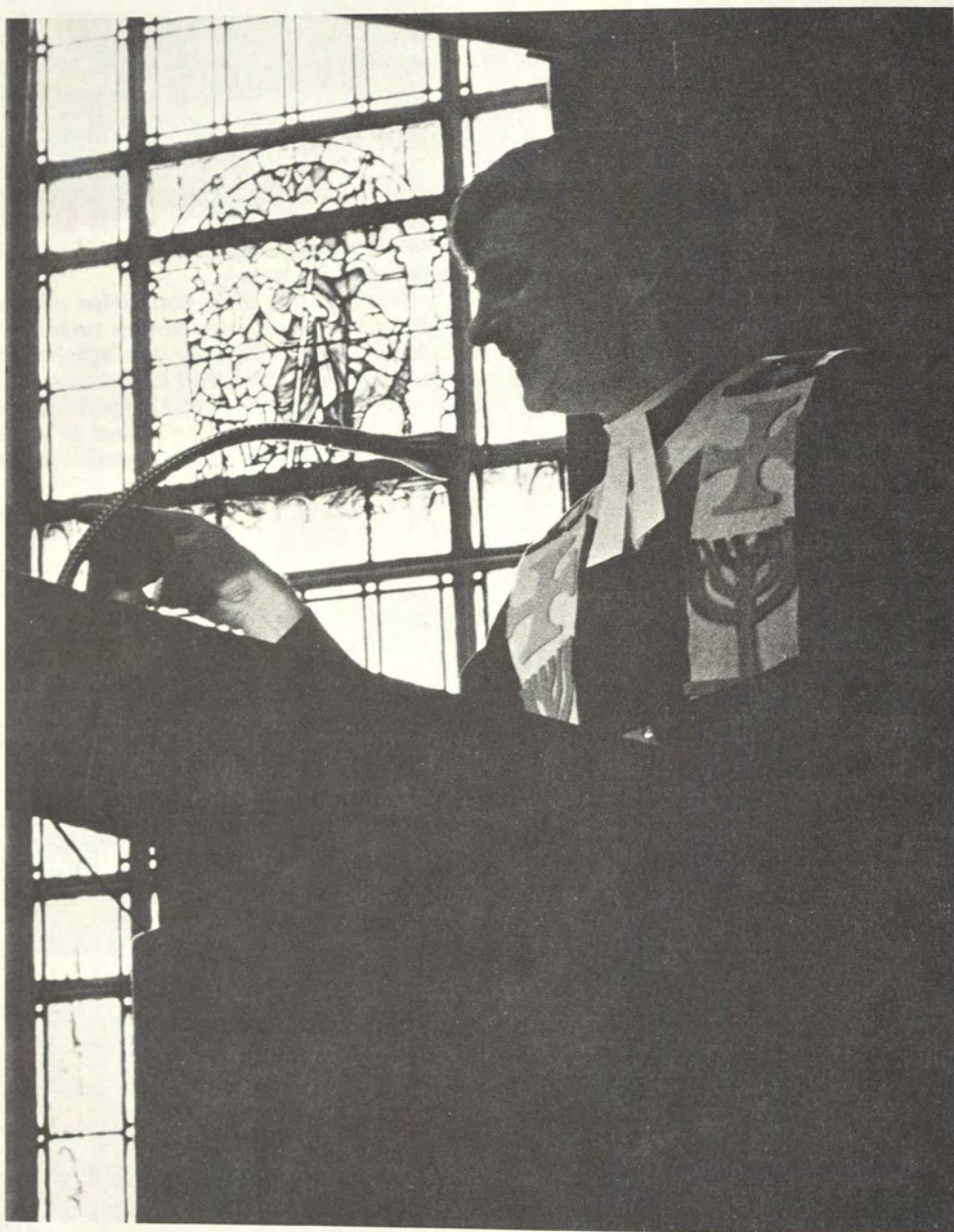
Edward W. Allen, M.D., psychiatrist





## THE CHAPLAIN AS COUNSELOR

John Barrie Shepherd



*"Pooh jumped up and down to keep warm  
and suddenly a hum came into his head,  
which seemed to him a Good Hum, such as  
is Hummed Hopefully to Others."*  
A.A. Milne and J.B.S.



*"We live in the midst of a sexual revolution. The challenge is to live responsibly within that revolution. We must neither react negatively seeking a return to an outdated past, nor irresponsibly in abandoning all control over sexuality. We must seek rather to defend and preserve sex — in all of its dimensions, as a fully human activity, as the most complete expression of the profound God-given relationship between a man and a woman."*

Sermon, *Adam and Eve, and the Playboy Philosophy*



*"Is not the campus revolution also deeply concerned and involved with the enrichment of life? We see this negatively in the students' rejection of the materialist, acquisitive, conformist elements which seem to dominate our way of life. As one student so aptly expressed it, 'So you win the rat race, you're still a rat.' But this concern is also expressed positively in the arts and in music. The Beatles seductive cry 'I'd love to turn you on' is not just cheap pornography or drug pushing, as some have claimed, but rather a cry to the heart of our society to 'turn on' to the element of quality and richness in life — the element of quality that makes love, and fantasy and fun and flowers a basic necessity and never just a luxury."*

Sermon, *Water into Wine, or Wine into Water?*



*"We are called to call others to life, by involvement in the existence of others, by giving ourselves in loving service, by going out of ourselves to others in honest dialogue, by relating; for relating, as Corita reminds us, is creating. Above all by loving—which is after all simply creativity in action. We are called to create, and the whole of creation is waiting on tip-toe. It's up to us."*

Sermon, *Called to Create*





*"Let us never forget in our congenial, comfortable college community, let us never forget the price that is paid so that we might be here; a price reckoned not in dollars of tuition fees, but in hungry mouths, empty bellies and minds across this nation and this world. Make us see the debts we are accumulating while we are here, Lord, and send us forth to repay them in service and love for our fellow men."*

Pastoral Prayer, November 19, 1967



*My approach to counseling is based on the religious affirmation of the ultimate value of persons in the sight of God. Seen in this light, counseling can never be simply telling people what to believe, or what to do. Rather it is a creative attempt at companionship, at "being with" people, standing by and assisting them to their own decisions, their own faith. Only thus can counseling fully respect the integrity of both man and God.*



*"Questions of meaning, of value, of relationship, these are some of the questions, this is the realm of the ultimate in which religion moves. It is of necessity a realm devoid of absolutes; a tentative, fragmentary realm of possibility and hope, faith and promise. It is a realm which stretches beyond the precisely defined limits of human knowledge into the areas of mystery and majesty, areas that defy definition and precise analysis. And the answers when they begin to come, to your ultimate questions, share in this tentative, fragmentary quality."*

Chapel Service, September 15, 1968





**Students: Ever Changing, Never New**  
— deans as advisors





**ALICE E. JOHNSON**  
*dean of freshmen*



"Never trust anyone over thirty," is a popular topic that is dealt with in most popular magazines today. According to this thesis, those who have attained this aged eminence have sold out their ideals, have settled down into middle-class conformity, have become comfortably respectable, and are supremely satisfied with their membership in The Establishment in this best of all impossible worlds. So frequently is this view expounded, that it is easy to conclude that students are avidly avoiding their elders who are members of the college establishment — the faculty and the administration. Because students in recent years have loudly levelled their criticism at the college curriculum, not to mention the medieval order of parietals, many have concluded that no dialogue exists any more between the students and those over thirty.

Nothing could be further from the truth. If anything there is more communication, more discussion, and more counselling than ever before. While on the surface this assertion may appear paradoxical, it is essential to realize that in those large institutions in which rampaging riots have occurred, one of the causes of disturbance was the lack of meaningful, continuous dialogue between the students and the faculty and administration.

Ten years ago, when the college was considerably smaller than it is today, academic advising for freshmen was entirely handled in the office of the Dean of Freshmen. As many alumnae will remember, the list of degree requirements was rigidly defined, and most students generally ticked off these requirements during the first two years of college. Study schedules tended to be uniform, centering on English, Foreign Language, and Science. With the development of the Advanced Placement Programs in the high schools, however, a number of freshmen were able to earn exemption from some of these basic requirements which enabled them to elect more varied programs. Also under the old order, freshmen had to choose their major field of concentration at the end of the first year. Such early decision meant that almost fifty percent of the freshmen were forced to declare majors in fields in which they had not yet taken a course.

When the curriculum was being revised and liberalized last Spring, it became apparent that pre-major faculty advisers would be necessary as each student would require special guidance in arriving at the best program for her needs and talents. Thirty-four faculty members are now serving as pre-major advisers to the present freshman class. As academic advisers, they also function as non-resident fellows which allows them to drop in for lunch or dinner in their assigned dormitories so that over the year an informal and friendly relationship may be established between the student and her pre-major adviser. As the students need not declare majors until the end of the Sophomore year, many will continue to be guided by the same faculty member until that time.

Ten years ago, college students were labelled as members of "The Silent Generation." That is not to say all were silent, but to emphasize that the discontented activists were so few on any campus that they were unable to penetrate the quiescent apathy of their peers. Many of these students left college disillusioned by the entire stultifying experience because they found the classes to be dull and uninspired; because the curriculum was a rigid anachronism; and because, according to them, at no level could they get any kind of lively response to their demands for change.

These dissidents of the 'fifties were the fore-runners of the group of activists now to be found on most college campuses today. Although these students are far from a majority, they are strong enough to make themselves felt, and when they do, an amazing number of non-activists emerge to offer, at least, silent support.

The activists are totally committed to social reform in every sector of American life. No other college generation, for example, has so wholeheartedly concerned itself with the achievement of basic human rights for all minorities. While the majority engage in liberal causes, a small number is equally dedicated to the cause of conservatism. In 1964, for example, ConnCensus was the only college newspaper on the Eastern seaboard to come out in support of Barry Goldwater for President of the United States. In 1968, student support was overwhelmingly pro-McCarthy. During the primaries, students by the thousands volunteered their services to help 'Clean Gene,' and they were gone from the campus for several days of each week during the spring semester. Some withdrew from college in order to work on the campaign full time.

After the two political conventions had nominated Nixon and Humphrey and the world had witnessed the police brutality levelled against the youthful McCarthy supporters in Chicago, the



student reaction was one of dire disillusionment coupled with biting bitterness. The ConnCensus editors viewed the entire political proceedings as nothing less than dastardly betrayal.

This betrayal of their ideals has led some students to the conclusion that the entire American system must be destroyed before any constructive legal and social reforms can be achieved. Unfortunately, some of them do not see beyond the immediacy of destruction and have no real plan for the future should their destructive goal be realized.

As well as political commitment, the activist demands that there be true involvement by the college in the surrounding community. This involvement is many pronged. It concerns itself with urban renewal; with tutoring disadvantaged youngsters in local schools to help them prepare for college; with working as aides in the hospital and visiting the mentally ill; and with assisting in programs for retarded children.



**This involvement**, in turn, creates new pressures on the college, for the students so involved begin to question the relevance of the courses that are offered to a candidate for the Bachelor of Arts. The great demand is for courses which are relevant to the existing social problems as they see them in the local community. Hence they ask for special project community courses to be offered by the college for credit toward the degree. There is much impatience with anything other than contemporary. Their primary purpose is to improve the present and secure the future.

Inevitably, all this outside activity takes its academic toll. In the 'fifties one could generally assume that a student who failed in her course work failed because she had attended too many mixers and frittered away her time by too many weekends at Yale, Princeton, and Wesleyan. But, today, the absentee student is more frequently engaged in political or social activity. Consequently much time is spent today, particularly with freshmen, trying to persuade them that college is a full-time operation which makes hard academic demands. The activist freshman response tends to be, "Why should I knock myself out in Chemistry or Math or Ancient History when it doesn't relate to what I need for my life and for my particular goals? I want courses that are relevant to me now and to the world I plan to live in."

**The average freshman** arrives on the campus anticipating a different atmosphere from what she finds after she has been here for a few weeks. She generally arrives with vague political or social interests. Her notion of college is composed of a hodge-podge of romantic myths she has collected over the years. The first thing she misses is that elusive quality known as "Class Spirit." Class Spirit and loyalty for the sake of loyalty to old Alma Mater are all gone with the wind. Class concerns are now minor compared to college concerns and world issues.

As the freshman looks around her and begins to get caught up in the critical atmosphere which surrounds her, she is at first disillusioned because her anticipation of what college is has turned into a cold reality for which she was unprepared. Gradually she begins to question the validity of the values transmitted to her by her parents. She plunges into her "Identity Crisis," and, depending on the depth and extent of her introspection, frequently finds herself unable to study or to attend class. When the condition becomes acute, she may be persuaded to seek help from the psychiatric counsellor or the college psychiatrist.

When this crisis occurs, the parents are often unprepared for the change in their daughter's personality. "Connecticut was her first choice. She was so happy to be accepted. Now she wants to leave. But she doesn't want to come home to us. We don't understand what's happened to her. She never gave us any trouble before," is a typical parental reaction often heard in the dean's office. It is often a shattering experience for parents to be told that all the material advantages which have been showered on her are not enough and to learn that many middle-class values are immoral and must be abolished.

Fortunately, the critical examination being conducted by students today is deeply rooted in



idealism. As the late Senator Robert Kennedy pointed out, "Today's young people appear to have chosen for their concern the dignity of the individual human being. They demand a limitation upon excessive power. They demand a political system that preserves the sense of community among men. They demand a government that speaks directly and honestly to its citizens." And they truly believe that their generation is different from any other that has preceded them. As one freshman observed, "We're the ones who are going to carry through with what we believe. We're not headed for suburbia and the money thing when we get out of college. We've looked the whole scene over and there's a big job to do."

As must be evident, the challenge to college advisers is one that demands a totally honest response if any dialogue is to continue. There can be no evasion of the questions which students raise or the demands which they make. As Kennedy concluded, "We can win their commitment only by demonstrating that these goals are possible through personal effort." ■

#### MARGARET WATSON

*assistant dean of student activities*



Assistant Dean for Student Activities is a difficult role to define. Simply stated, she acts as counselor and adviser to Student Government, and as Chairman of the Board of Housefellows. These assignments, however, combine planning, scheduling and budgeting of all campus activities as well as assignment of rooms, selection of housefellows, and general supervision of dormitory life.

As a guide to understanding these responsibilities, perhaps it would help to describe the new look which the residential and social life of students has acquired in the last two or three years. During this time, the basic structure of Student Government has undergone a series of changes, all in the direction of decentralization. Compulsory Amalgo has been abandoned, and individual houses now serve as centers where much discussion of policy and rules takes place. House Presidents take problems, decisions, and new ideas to the House of Representatives. Another important change is the development toward community government as shown in the new Campus Life Committee, which has representatives from stu-





dent officers, faculty, and administration, and concerns itself with residential aspects of the College. As to dormitories, the main change here has been the increasing use of selected seniors as housefellows. Like other housefellows, these students are concerned with the general running of the house, and with being helpful to individual students when problems arise. The increased number of applicants for housefellowships every year, indicates the success of this program.

**Today**, the interest of students leans toward active types of organizations concerned with what is happening beyond the campus as well as here. World problems are of great importance to the girls, and they are anxious to participate in community, state, and national issues. Thus, many new clubs representing this trend have been formed in the past two years — the Afro-American Club, CURA (Committee on Understanding Racial Attitudes), the Peace Group, to name a few. This year, in addition, political groups took an active part in various political campaigns.

Service projects, too, attract many Connecticut students nowadays. Under the direction of Service League, they carry out a variety of volunteer, community programs with the Mystic Oral School, Learned House, both the Norwich and Lawrence Hospitals, and Seaside Home. The girls also give of their time and talent each week to help in tutoring high school drop-outs. This program takes place on campus.

This semester, many plans are underway for special weekends. During the Special Studies period, ConnQuest '69 will be devoted to participatory activities in the arts — dance, theatre, and other creative aspects. Another exceptional event is anticipated for the spring when the Afro-American Club will bring distinguished Black women on the campus for Black Womanhood Weekend.

**Perhaps** the most absorbing part of the job is weekly meetings with each of the main Student Government officers (the President, Chief Justice, Speaker of the House, and Vice-President) in which plans are discussed, ironed out for the coming week, and long-range questions are raised. There are numerous conferences on current issues at which Connecticut has to be represented. The calendar for all student events is centralized in this office, and the budget for all clubs is made out with the help of a special student-faculty financial committee. The selection of housefellows involves great responsibility, and frequent talks with them on house matters take a lot of time. The real

Chinese puzzle which is a struggle all year, however, is the assignment of rooms. To most casual observers, it probably seems that rooms are assigned in the fall and the matter then ended. But with exchanges with Wesleyan and other colleges at home and abroad, extensive reassignments must be made at midyears, not to mention the continual changes made on personal requests as the year proceeds. The system for room assignments, while constantly being revised in the name of simplicity, remains quite an intricate procedure for this office.

Another matter to be dealt with these days, is registration of senior and junior cars which are on campus at various times of the year. Thought must also be given to the college calendar, a very irregular one, which allows for a midsemester weekend as well as regular vacations and a week-long intersession between semesters. Furthermore, for every vacation, the coverage and safety of those remaining on campus requires special arrangements.

**Like most jobs**, this one includes many details and mechanical routines, but these are more than compensated for by the constant contact with young minds as they go through the college years with all their hopes, their problems, their accomplishments, and their companionship. The aim of this college adviser is to make the life of each student the happiest, most comfortable, and enjoyable possible while a member of the Connecticut College community. ■





**GERTRUDE M. McKEON**

*dean of sophomores*



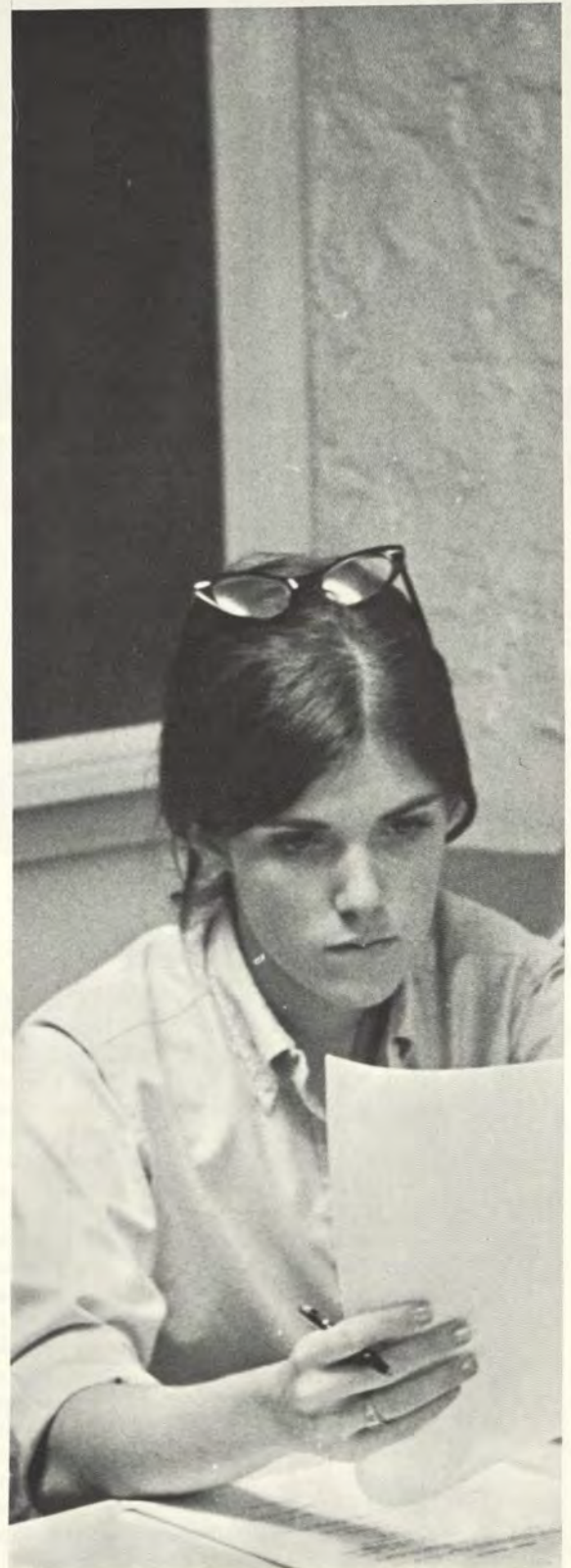
"What am I getting out of college"? "Do I belong here"? These are universal questions all second year students ask themselves. They are symptoms of the phenomenon known to all generations of college students as "sophomore slump." But one difference in recent years is that as the student examines herself, she doubts with greater intensity whether college is the right place for her, whether scholarly study is the best means for her to confront uncertainties about personal goals and values, and whether there is a way for her to respond positively to pressing social problems.

Students are faced with the necessity to keep their personal framework of purposes and standards growing in order to maintain balance with their increasing intellectual awareness and greater personal freedom and responsibility. Some find it impossible to do this. Many come into the office to explore alternatives to the tense, unhappy, and ineffective existence they feel caught in. Usually the difficulty is short term and can be handled by counseling or by discussion with academic advisers and instructors. Clarification of poorly understood ideas or requirements, or revision of unsatisfying program of courses can help. But in extreme cases, the outcome of discussions with the student, and occasionally also with her family, is agreement that time away from college is necessary.

**Withdrawal** with intention to return and complete work for the degree is sometimes a voluntary decision made by the student herself. Other times, it is required by the Administration committee which reviews all unsatisfactory work.

Experience on a job in the "real" world provides time and perspective for a student to renew her initial zeal for learning. Work for Vista or participation in other inner-city volunteer programs are also possible alternatives to staying in college. Successful experiences build confidence. They may also help by confirming or suggesting a college major, as well as by broadening the student's awareness of the wide range of possibilities for socially significant work and service open to the liberally educated person.

Another difference today is the new flexibility in the structure of what was once a continuous four year sequence followed by all but a few students. At one time, the alternatives to "sticking it out" at the college of one's first choice, were to transfer to another, or to abandon school for marriage or a job. The range of possibilities for







extending college experience beyond the confines of one campus is now much broader. A large part of my time as sophomore dean is spent discussing these possibilities with students who come in for information about programs they have heard of, or with special interests they want to pursue which do not fit into the immediate curriculum or environment. During the present semester, for example, sophomores, for the first time, have been permitted to join a study group going to Germany which was organized by Wesleyan University.

Much time is spent advising sophomores who wish to take one or both semesters of their junior year off campus. Study abroad is still a normal part of the college pattern under the guidance of the major adviser and committee on study abroad, and with the approval of the Administration. Highly specialized academic interests are served by the Princeton junior year program in critical languages which has taken several of our students in Russian and Chinese during the past several years.

Another, but more generalized program of study, is available at New York University. With the approval and advice of their major advisers, students may submit a plan to the Administration Committee for substituting a junior semester or year at this university. Seven members of the Class of 1970 are studying under this program now. Ten others, over the past four years, have taken advantage of the program which is designed to enrich the college experience both by courses at New York University, and through the city's resources by way of museums, art galleries, concerts, and as a vast sociological laboratory.

**Individually** arranged study away at other institutions is beginning to emerge as another option. Through personal experience, two members of the junior class are now finding what life is like in a large, urban, co-educational school by studying at the University of Pennsylvania. Another



student is spending her year in a program of Asian Studies at the University of Washington.

Interest in getting varieties of academic experience within the four college years by this kind of exchange is increasingly popular as an alternative to transfer. The advent of residential exchange programs with Wesleyan and with the nine college consortium recently announced by Amherst, Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Vassar, Williams, Wheaton, Wesleyan, and Connecticut will extend the possibilities of fairly easy interchanges of students. All of these growing opportunities for student exchanges, continue to enlarge the role of academic adviser. ■

### GERTRUDE E. NOYES

*juniors and seniors*



After Dean Johnson has helped students as freshmen to understand their strange new college world and Dean McKeon has boosted their morale during the restless sophomore year, I am fortunate enough to inherit a happy lot of juniors as my charges. They are at home now in the College and in their majors, where they are delighted to be launched in their first seminars and the honors program; and they are at last eligible for some famous electives in other departments. With the exception of the inevitable individual problems with health, personal matters, and particular courses, juniors ask advice mostly in anticipation of the big coming events — career and marriage. Every year as the men's service status becomes more pressing, there is a steady increase in marriages during the summer preceding senior year as well as at Thanksgiving and Christmas of senior year and at odd times as dictated often





with little warning by Uncle Sam. Such early weddings usually entail a good deal of academic adjustment, often including a semester at another campus; and juniors are careful to work out every detail in order not to jeopardize their prized degrees. Their fiances often come with them so that we can look into the crystal ball together and make a master plan covering all the variables in the situation.

During the spring juniors begin to ask questions about graduate programs and to get acquainted with the extensive and fast-growing catalogue collection in my office. They are keenly aware that their "last summer" should be spent on some activity which will help them decide on schools and careers. Some take an additional science to build better preparation for advanced work in science or medicine, and some take an intensive Oriental language course to parallel their history or government courses in preparation for an area studies program. Still others try, with the help of the Placement Office, to find semi-professional jobs such as Careers for Social Work, to secure an

internship "on the Hill," to get a job in a laboratory doing significant research or a place in a Headstart program or in an Urban Renewal project.

From the first of September I receive frantic telephone calls from incoming seniors who are suddenly aware that the future is threatening them and who wish appointments to discuss endless questions: am I of graduate school calibre? should I go on next year or take a break to get my bearings and pay my loans? what are the chances for financial aid? can I study abroad and get credit for a degree? should I try for special honors — the Woodrow Wilson, the Danforth, the Fulbright? what are the GRE's? and hardest of all, how do I plan for graduate school next year when my future husband is applying for several graduate schools but is uncertain of his draft status? In order to clear up some of the confusion, Miss James, Director of the Career Counseling Bureau, and I call an early meeting of the class and explain fundamental points about applications, recommendations, interviews, timing, sources of





information. The applications for special honors have to be submitted early, and I have several conferences with each applicant helping her to show her full potential in her credentials and to meet the deadline.

Aside from dispensing information, I spend much time reassuring the seniors; they find it trying to face up to applications and uncertainty again after four years of steady development in a familiar place and they are inwardly anxious that they may not measure up to the requirements of the professional or business world. With the graduate school applications usually completed by November, the senior must put her mind on her exacting senior subjects including seminars, individual study or honors work, and await decisions in early April. Meantime her interest wavers, doubt seeps in, and she is attracted by the lure of the many firms now interviewing annually on campus. Then come the searching questions: should I accept an interesting and highly remunerative job and postpone graduate school, or should I borrow to go to graduate school next





year? Would I perhaps do better in graduate work if I were to take a break and find renewal through a job and different surroundings? Obviously these are the student's decisions, and the answers are different in every case; but they are crucial to her and I serve as a sounding board as she thinks through her decision. Through stressing the exciting offerings both in jobs and in graduate schools, Miss James and I try to make the future seem adventurous and inviting rather than worrisome; but, whether or not it is covered by a veneer of sophistication, in most cases a considerable measure of anxiety remains.

**One** especially interesting group of students who contribute much to the atmosphere of senior year are those who have returned from Junior Year Abroad (this year from Europe, Israel, Taiwan, Japan), from studies in universities (University of Washington, Wesleyan, the Princeton Critical Language Program, Pennsylvania, New York University, Berkeley), from a period of work to clear up their goals, from Vista, election campaigns, and the exchange program with Spelman. These students serve as catalysts; they are analytical about the merits and weaknesses of different kinds of colleges, of courses and approaches, and of campus living. On their return they often miss the city activities, the co-education, and in some cases the greater social freedom; but they are uniformly impressed with the high quality of work done at Connecticut and with the sincere

interest which their professors here show in their development. Despite the complexities arising from increased size it would seem that Connecticut has been able to maintain some of the desirable characteristics of the small college.

The year culminates in the spring flurry for the seniors. Right after their return from vacation, the replies from graduate schools pour in; and final decisions have to be made between schools, between fellowships, and between schools and jobs. At the same time seniors are completing their big projects, trying to meet deadlines while making their last papers their best, and beginning to feel that the comprehensive is just around the corner. Spring usually does more for their spirits than my counseling is able to effect; and after a heroic scramble all the decisions get made, the papers are submitted, and the comprehensive is triumphantly passed.

**Looking back** over the four years, it is indeed a happy moment for me, as well as for the seniors, when I call out their names on the Commencement platform and they grasp their diplomas. Deans are aware, as perhaps only families and close friends can be, of the many times of low spirits and almost insuperable problems but also of the stamina and growth which have been attained. As the student switches her tassel from the right to the left and descends the steps from the platform beaming, the Deans hasten to offer her their very special congratulations and best wishes for the fine future she has earned. ■



## IN MEMORIAM



**Melville Robert Cobbledick** died on February 11, 1969 in New London after an illness of a few weeks. During his lifetime, Mr. Cobbledick earned the admiration and respect of all with whom he served as sociology professor, director of admissions, and civic worker in the community. Many honors came to him in these fields as rewards for his willingness to assume responsibility, and for his intellectual contribution.

But to thousands of alumnae, Mr. Cobbledick will be remembered first as a man of rare warmth and

kindness. His soft smile of welcome was for many of us our first introduction to the college, and the point at which we determined to make Connecticut our first choice. In spite of his full schedule, he would remember details about applicants that changed stereotyped forms into very personal records. Caring for persons was the soul of Melville Robert Cobbledick, the image that will always come to mind when, with gratitude for having known him, our thoughts turn to this fine gentleman and his contribution to our lives.

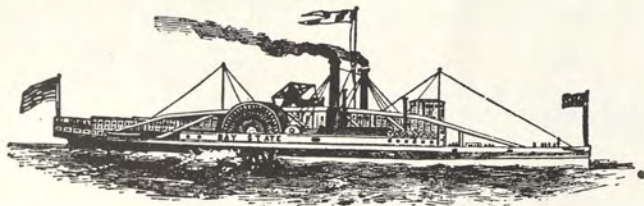


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Connecticut College  
New London, Conn. 06320



## A Journey to Togo

Dear Alumnae,

As a student at Connecticut, and a future fellow-alumna, I would like to share an experience with you that was more than meaningful to me. Last summer, with the help of many members of the Connecticut community, I was able to participate in Operation Crossroads Africa. Crossroads was founded in 1957 by Dr. James H. Robinson as a friendship and aid program in Africa, and thanks to his tireless efforts, young Americans, Canadians, and Africans are able to live and work together, thus breaking down cultural as well as human barriers.

Along with ten other North Americans, I spent the summer in a small French-speaking country in West Africa, Togo, living among Togolese families and with Togolese students. We cooked as they cooked, bought our food each day at their market, watched a young mother give birth to her child, visited sacred tribal spots, danced to the unforgettable beating of African drums, attended funerals, visited much of the country, entered into discussions with Togolese, laughed with them, and just loved them.

We also joined with the Togolese of Nuatja in building a cultural center (fondly called the "Lincoln Center of Togo"), and again, we were truly a part of it all. For we weren't there to design the building or supervise its construction, but to *be* supervised. So we carried many a brick and many a bucketful of cement, and along with our African counterparts we sang, chatted, and yes, yawned at the same time. What we saw and what we experienced was therefore a very personal, a very real Africa. In turn, as we shared their lives from day to day, the people of Nuatja learned about the United States and Canada from us.

Because of this summer in Togo, I now understand more clearly the vital issues in African life. The meaning of colonialism, the conflict in choosing between an African and European identity, the problem of economic development without manipulation by foreign powers, military dictatorship, a bright student's longing for a university education with nowhere to turn for a scholarship — and much, much more.

At the same time, because of Togo, I see American society through new eyes. I see a United States that is efficient but tense, thriving but suffering. I see Americans who, unlike most Togolese, just do not take time out for others. I see how truly emancipated American women are, and I feel the great power our country wields in this world. The society I returned to raises many questions in the minds of Africans; they find it hard to understand our three assassinations, our treatment of Indians, and, of course, the situation of black Americans.

... the black American — I guess what affected me most this summer was the experience of living in a non-racist environment for the first time in my entire life. Suddenly, *I* was the minority; I was a White among many Blacks. Still, it was as though color did not exist, for everyone shared love with a special ease, and lived in a beautiful freedom. Having seen equality at work, I am now even more dedicated to helping fellow white Americans understand racism.

I thank Crossroads, Togo, and Connecticut College for this deep learning-experience.

Sincerely,

*Reth Brereton*



**Elizabeth Brereton '69** is the first undergraduate ever to be a member of the Connecticut College Alumnae News Advisory Board.





## Books

*Until the Sun Falls* by Cecelia Holland '65.  
491 pp. Atheneum, N.Y. \$7.95.

*Until the Sun Falls* is Miss Holland's fourth published novel. It confirms our opinion that Miss Holland is a very remarkable young writer. It, however, fails to convince us that she is a good writer.

Miss Holland said recently that she kept on writing and expecting that one of two things would happen: she would either become good, or make an impression by the sheer bulk of her work. The former appears to have eluded her. Her persistence and hard work, on the other hand, have been rewarded. It is altogether fitting that industry receive proper recognition, but we hope Miss Holland does not appreciate the recognition gained at the expense of good writing. Perhaps she should publish less and write even more.

The undoing of Miss Holland as a writer may be her rigidity. She is so reluctant to abandon a very successful little formula for writing "historical" fiction, that her attitude comes close to intellectual sloth. When a formula is used four times without change or variation, the results of its slavish application assume the deadly sameness of the innumerable re-run Westerns on the "Late, Late Show." Miss Holland no doubt enjoys her work, but she cannot expect the reader to consider her Luke Short pieces — literature. They are not even entertaining, because Miss Holland seems to know more about the horse and his behavior in savage combat than about the rider in the heat of fury and dread. And the conquest of Europe, after all, was not accomplished by the Mongol horse, but by the extraordinarily lucid and unorthodox thinking of the Mongol generals. True, they never lost sight of the advantages their hardy horse held over the heavily caparisoned and armoured horse of the European knight, but they also knew that the horse is only as good as his rider when it comes to winning battles.

Miss Holland is intrigued by past conflicts in which a small, highly organized minority attempts to impose its domination upon a terrified and disorganized majority. Such conflicts produced men capable of great courage, resourcefulness,

and sacrifice. Contrary to what Miss Holland believes, these are not simple virtues, even if placed in "simple" times. When she abandons the comfortable view that the "primitive" character in fiction comes alive through a series of "primitive" actions — such as grunting, glaring at friends and enemies alike, rocking on one's heels, swearing and cursing, roaring with laughter, mounting and slipping off the horse — she may yet create a character whose virtues will not be forced upon him by the writer's pen. She must know that great virtues do not exist independently of character, and that they are flawed, made ridiculous, if they do not flow out of a credible wholeness of their source. The sound and the fury by themselves will not do.

The amount of research which must have gone into the writing of *Until the Sun Falls* is commendable. Yet, the two maps at the beginning of the book contain inaccuracies, and Miss Holland may have stretched the *Yasa* a little here and there. The supreme law of the Mongol empire was quite explicit, especially the parts dealing with the unconditional obedience of each Mongol to his Kha-Khan. Sabotai's suggestion that Psin should have placed the interests of his clan above the summons of the Kha-Khan is slightly unbelievable.

Were it possible to discern a steady improvement in Miss Holland's writings now that we have four books of her "Westernised" historical fiction before us, we would find satisfaction in the promise of a talent. Whether she is good, in her words, or not, does not seem to matter as much as the fact that she has not become better, because only by becoming better can she become good. Her notion of character is far too simple to be acceptable; her style, an imitation of terseness and sparseness, is as monotonous as the steppes whence the Mongols came; her curiosity is easily satisfied. And the quality of a writer's curiosity is, in the final analysis, one of the mainsprings of his talent.

Marijan Despalatovic  
*Instructor in Russian*



*Girls' Rules* by Beverly Gasner '51.  
208 pp., Alfred Knopf, N.Y. \$4.95.

If you have ever wondered about those girls you knew way back in high school, boarding school, or college, you might well find your curiosity satisfied in Beverly Gasner's *Girls' Rules*. Her protagonists, Celia Dobbs and Marina Lewis, classmates at both Miss Maple's and at Newbury College, are girls we all have known somewhere in the past. Celia, the only daughter of an over-powering mother, was a fat, self-conscious girl who, in her freshman year at college, miraculously not only shed her excess weight, but also met and married a suitable young man. Her marriage turned out to be solid and unexciting, but far more than she or anyone who knew her, would have bargained for.

A chance meeting between Celia and Marina reminds Celia — now a housewife and mother — that her friend's life has been a good bit more exciting than her own. After graduating from college, Marina had found a choice job with a foundation. Following this experience, she spent two years in Latin America where, according to rumor, she was mysteriously involved in a glamorous romance.

What fun Mrs. Gasner has unfolding the stories of the girls, and what fun we have reading it! Her sprightly, witty style, her abundant humor, the excellent descriptions of the feeling of places — college and the tropics, for example — make this novel move quickly to its happy, tongue-in-cheek ending. When you finish this book, leave it where your husband can pick it up. Chances are that he will enjoy it too!

Rhoda Meltzer Gilinsky '49









## Club Notes



### Welcome Hawaii!

#### Welcome, Hawaii!

There should have been leis and guitars and even a *luau* on December 6, when the Executive Board of the Alumnae Association approved a club charter for the lively, interested group of alumnae in Hawaii. None of these were available, but suddenly New London did seem very close to Diamond Head, and the list of Connecticut College Clubs (Hawaii is the 44th) acquired a new romantic aura.

Claire Wallach Engle '54 began to think about the possibility of a club in Hawaii soon after she arrived in Honolulu in 1965 with her Navy Commander husband, and the idea grew as she met more and more alumnae — many of them "service wives". At reunion last June she met Helen Brogan, Treasurer of the Alumnae Association, who was planning an August vacation in the Islands. Claire arranged a luncheon for her during her stay, which was attended by fifteen alumnae, and the conversation at lunch further increased their belief that they could enroll enough active and interested members to carry out an effective club program.

Joan Bucciarelli Yim '66, married to a native of Hawaii with a law degree from Boston University Law School, was appointed Organization Chairman. Even before the application for a charter was mailed, she had made her first "admissions aide" visit to the Punahou School to talk about Connecticut College and was making plans to establish contact with all the high schools on Oahu. Most college-bound local students do not think beyond California; club members feel that this is Hawaii's loss, since it limits the experience and knowledge of the world of the state's future leaders. Raising funds for scholarships at Connecticut will be the major club project.

Club officers are: President — Claire Wallach Engle '54; Vice President and Admissions Aide — Joan Bucciarelli Yim '66; Secretary — Jane Simmons Claybaugh '55; Treasurer — Constance Hastert '64.

The **Baltimore** club reports a highly successful meeting on January 23, at which Mr. James Baird, Professor of English, spoke on the current academic concern for *Relevance*. One member wrote, "We had to *push* people out at 11 p.m. My husband, the world's itchiest, was fascinated!"

Mr. Baird will talk on the same subject at the **New Haven** club meeting on April 24.

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The February meeting of the Connecticut College Club of **Boston** was a luncheon and theatre party, including luncheon (Tas-Kim-Pap and Baklava) at the Athens Olympia and a matinee performance of *Everything in the Garden* by Edward Albee at the Charles Playhouse. At luncheon Priscilla Duxbury Wescott '41 discussed the newest Albee play within the context of contemporary theatre.

Chairman of Clubs: Ruth Worthington Henderson '35 (Mrs. James Henderson, Jr.), 5516 Knoll Drive, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55436.



# Keeping up with the Campus

## Combined Majors Considered

After approving the establishment of Interdepartmental Majors at Conn, the Instruction Committee presented this proposal at the faculty meeting last Wednesday.

The faculty will vote on Interdepartmental majors at its next meeting on March 5, and if approved, this option would be offered beginning with the academic year 1969-1970.

## Explains Rationale

In its proposal, the Committee recognized the "justifiable desires of students to shape their educational programs toward legitimate personal and professional ends."

The Committee then pointed out that several departments are willing to offer, jointly or severally, programs of an interdisciplinary nature that ill "meet particular needs of the contemporary world."

## Solid Core of Study

An acceptable Interdepartmental Major will consist of a maximum of 16 courses.

The proposed field of study must include a solid core of study in one department, complemented by substantial advanced study in related areas of another department or departments.

## Culminate in Integration

The interdisciplinary study will culminate in a formal integration through the student's involvement in an interdepartmental seminar, in Honors Study, or in Individual Study.

## Procedure Established

An interdisciplinary major may either be created by cooperating departments, or it may be initiated by the student.

In the latter case, the student would pursue a regular course of study during freshman and sophomore years, with a view toward the core study and related disciplines during the next two years.

## Student Presents Proposals

Then, at the end of the sophomore year, a student whose course achievements indicated eligibility for an interdisciplinary major would present to the Committee on Interdepartmental Majors her formal protest.

## Faculty Votes Two to One to Revise the Academic Calendar

Faculty voted two to one in favor of a new academic calendar for 1969-70 which included a shortened version of Special Studies Period and a

longer second semester review period at their meeting last Wednesday.

The length of the Special Studies Period was the most controversial issue in the calendar. Vigorous opposition to the Period was expressed by the foreign language departments.

## Loss of Competency

The language departments argued that because of the large gap between the first and second semester this year, students suffered a great loss of competency in the first two years of a language.

According to Charles E. Shain, president of the College, the faculty supported a ten-day Special Studies Period because they believed that the values of the longer Period of two weeks could be retained in this shorter form.

## Longer Review Period

Other changes included the elimination of the mid-semester weekend in October and the second semester review period of four days will be lengthened to seven days next year.

However, registration and classes will still begin in mid-September and end in the first week of June.

## Shortened Intersession

Students will have their traditional Christmas vacation beginning on Fri., Dec. 19.

Following the midyear examinations which end on Sat., Jan. 17, there will be a shortened intersession of three days which will immediately lead into registration and Special Studies Period, Jan. 21-31.

Second semester will commence on Mon., Feb. 2 with spring vacation falling between Fri., March 20 and Sun., Apr. 5.

## Long Review Period

Students will begin to review for exams on Mon., May 18, and seniors will take their comprehensives on Fri., May 22.

Final examinations will begin the following Monday and end on Wed., June 3.

Commencement will be held on Sun., June 7.

The new calendar provides for 64 instructional days in each semester.

The faculty also voted in favor of permitting the psychology department to offer a doctoral program. The matter will be considered by the trustees this week.

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As this is the last 1919 column before our Fiftieth, I urge members and friends of the first class to submit any pertinent memorabilia, snapshots, programs, souvenirs, clippings, to me for use as displays at reunion, and (if possible) for permanent filing among the college archives. Suggestions of memorable events or personalities will also be welcome. Bulky material should be sent to the Alumnae Office.

Alumnae Day in October brought together again the members of the reunion committee: **Esther Batchelder** from Rome; **Marenda Prentiss** from Boston; **Winona Young** from West Hartford; **Sadie Coit Benjamin**, **Mildred Keefe Smiddy** and **Virginia Rose** from the New London area; **Mildred White** from Amherst; and me from New Jersey. We who have kept in touch with campus changes still find it hard to adjust to the many impressive but unfamiliar buildings. Surely a reunion is more than indicated. '19 must "come and see".

In January 1968 **Ruth Avery French** lost her sister Gertrude Avery Krout '22. Ruth writes of happy trips to her children's homes, of visits from family and friends, of a very successful gardening year, and of participation in church, Grange and community projects. In June **May Buckley Sadowski** suddenly lost her husband Joe while at their summer home at Black Point. May and Joe worked together at their mutual profession, interior decorating. Their winter home was in Longmeadow, Mass., May's present home. She hopes to return for reunion. From Long Beach, Calif., **Margaret Maher Ruby** writes of the marriage of her son Bob. He is a salesman for IBM on the Texas Instrument account in Dallas, and his wife a systems engineer there. After weeks in the hospital followed by a major operation, **Dorothy Gray Manion** was able to travel from Aiken to Durham for the Christmas holidays with her son's family of four, 16-5. **Ethel Isbell Hubbard** has moved from New Haven to Short Beach, Conn.; **Dorcas**

### IN MEMORIAM

EDITH B. GOLDBERG	'23
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**Gallup Bennett** from Palo Alto to Monte Sereno, Calif.; and **Winona Young** from Hartford to West Hartford. **Ruth Trail McClellan** and husband Cliff began preparing for the Fiftieth by taking their annual vacation in Hawaii before Christmas, leaving Klamath Falls, Ore., Dec. 3, to return about Apr. 1, in time to do the spring work before leaving in May for Connecticut. They hoped to have at least the stocking party before leaving. "We hang 14 this year," Ruth writes, "as John and Betty presented us with another grandson." During the past summer, Ruth enjoyed short trips to scenic spots, including a camping trip on the McKenzie River. "I learned afterwards that **Dorcas Gallup Bennett** and husband have a cabin on the river near where we were." Another '19 traveler, **Batch**, writes from Rome of "two trips to the States; to London in April (saw six plays in ten days, rode buses, shopped and loved it); to Porto Santo Stefano in May; to Ireland in August (drove clockwise all around the Emerald Isle, found forty shades of green); several weekends at Circeo and in September a weekend in Positano on the famous Amalfi Drive."

Christmas greetings came from **Edith Harris Ward** and **Luke** in New Milford; **Margaret Mitchell Goodrich** and **Howard** in Portland, Conn.; **Lucy Marsh Haskell** in Sand Lake, N.Y.; and **Florence Lennon Romaine** in Hartford, anticipating reunion. As usual **Alison Hastings Thomson** sends an original poem on her card with news. "I am hoping to come to reunion, and I have invested in a C.C. ring to remind me of it—if I have changed too much you will recognize me by the ring. In the meantime, the grandchildren have been growing up: Peter 17, a senior at Pomfret; **Alison III** at Gateway School, New Haven; and **Alex 12** in elementary school in Madison, where they all live. Sally is still nursing at Hartford Hospital; **Alison II** is selling real estate in Madison. Wallace is growing carnations on a larger and larger scale. I

am 'active' in AAUW, passive in the Woman's Club, a former trustee of the Chapel."

It is with sadness that 1919 takes note of the passing of Miss Howe, the third and last honorary member of the first class. Although she has been too frail to attend the last reunions, 1919 was looking forward to sending a representative to call on her with our loving greetings during reunion. CC owes a great debt of gratitude to Miss Howe, one of the founders of the college. Also with great sadness on our arrival on campus for Alumnae Day, we learned of the sudden death of **Marion Rogers Nelson**.

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### 1921 Correspondent:

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**Marion Bedell Kelsey** back home from the hospital is teaching English and speech for New Haven College in their law enforcement program and substituting at Old Lyme High School. **Edith Sheridan Brady** leads a quiet life due to the long illness of her husband. **Harriette Johnson Lynn** was in California and Edith looked forward to having a day with her. **Margaret Jacobson Cusick** spends most of her time writing and enjoys living in New York after many years in Florida. She sees Beulah Dimmick Chase '23 from time to time and after 30 years caught up with Anita Green Jordan '23 with whom Caroline Francke '23 and Peg lived in New York after college. **Dorothy Wulf Weatherhead** will retire from the museum about May 1 and has bought a home at Laguna Hills Leisure World where she has many friends. **Helen (Billy) Rich Baldwin** welcomed a live firecracker on July 4—a daughter for son Truxtun and his wife. Billy and husband took their two older grandchildren on a tour of historic Boston and nearby towns. She is planning to return in June for reunion. **Dorothy Pryde** plans to spend February in Mexico with Dorothy Kilbourn '25. In 1967 Dot's house needed some face-lifting jobs but she did visit Williamsburg again last spring and



in August went to Weirs, N.H. to a camera camp where mornings were spent in lectures and the rest of the day in field trips. Now Dot is showing pictures at convalescent homes in Connecticut. After many years of hospital work, **Olive Littlehales Corbin** and Emory have "turned off the alarm clock" and retired on Dec. 13. They spent Christmas with their daughter Susan and family in Bowie, Md. where Al, their son, joined them. Al and I, **Anna Brazos Chalmers**, were at the beach in North Carolina for our 45th wedding anniversary. The holidays were spent in Higganum, Conn. at our daughter Joyce's home where Alan, Hilary and the two children from Vermont and Joan from Massachusetts joined us. We had a gala time with our three children and five grandchildren. Hope to be off to Florida soon.

We have all had letters from **Roberta Newton**, our president, urging us to return in June to the campus when the first 50th reunion of the college will be held. Do make your plans to join friends in celebrating this event.

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#### 1923 Correspondent:

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**Florence Appel** is translating children's books into braille and doing volunteer work in recording for the blind, in addition to weekly bowling, painting and bridge lessons and her home interests. **Margaret Heyer** and **Jane Gardner** were off on an exotic trip to Morocco in September and October: "strange and interesting", Peg writes, "but the land of the infidel is not for me!" **Olive Holcombe Wheeler** continues volunteer work at the Heritage Home (for the elderly) and in connection with her husband's work has accompanied him to music conferences in Buffalo; Washington, D.C.; and Huntington, W.Va. during the year. Auditing classes in anthropology and sociology at Union College is another interest for them both. Their Thanksgiving was spent with family in Baltimore and they planned to go to Crete for Christmas. **Virginia Eddy** was lured several times during the summer into one of her favorite states, Vermont, with other shorter trips into New Hampshire and along the Maine coast. **Mary Birch Timberman** leads the good life at her home in Old Lyme, Conn., where she was hostess to our class at the picnic in June. She is on the planning committee for making Old Lyme an historic district; busies herself with golf, gardening, "a pleasant social life"; and this winter is attending a series of art lectures at the Lyman Allyn Museum on campus, as are **Peg Heyer** and **Alice Holcombe**. In March she and her husband go to Florida for the remainder of the winter. **Mildred Seeley Trotman**, our class agent, writes of selling the nursery school

they have owned for many years and building a retirement home in Brookside, N.J. At Christmas time **Ethel Kane Fielding** was "still on Vienna Cloud 9" after her trip in the fall to Austria, Switzerland and England. They covered at least the most outstanding places and events in the countries they visited, especially in Vienna with drives along the Danube, the ballet still under the spell of Rudolf Nureyev and his Swan Lake, a performance of the famous Spanish horses, the Vienna Choir Boys. Her letters are characteristically masterpieces of enthusiasm. **Alice Holcombe** had covered some of this same ground earlier in the season, London and the Zurich and Lake Lucerne regions of Switzerland. We also went to Rome and Florence, through the vineyard and orchard regions of Italy, to Lake Como and Milan and Zurich with trips to the Rhine Valley. After all that, Paris was quite something else and home even more so.

With regret we announce the death of **Edith B. Goldberg** on Dec. 15 and of **Adelaide Satterly Tuthill's** husband on Aug. 25. We extend our deep sympathy to both families.

#### 1924 Correspondent:

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**Eleanor Stone** has been named "New Hampshire's licensed Practical Nurse of the Year." She retired this year after more than 30 years of service at the New Hampshire State Hospital. **Adele Knecht Sullivan** has joined the retirees and will continue to live in Springfield, Mass. She enjoys having more time with her active grandsons, 4 and almost 3. She had a trip to Holland, Mich., last year at tulip time, then to Maine in October and to New York in December. **Marion Lowell Jenkins** is living in New Haven but usually goes twice a year to visit in New Mexico. She often sees **Edna Louise Haas Gaudet**, who keeps busy with ballets, symphonies and art galleries in NYC. They took a 7-week cruise together in 1967. **Adelaide Morgan Hirsche** visited the *Stately Homes of England* in 1967, taking in Bruges and Luxembourg en route. Last year they spent several weeks in Majorca where their son Lee, with his wife and sons 6 and 3, spent his sabbatical from Williams where he teaches in the Art Dept. **Adelaide** writes, "We've just returned from Christmas up there in -10 degree cold. Living on Mason's Island in the small village of Mystic makes cities very attractive; so we plan to go to London in March to see some shows, galleries, etc." **Evelyn Avery Lawson** lives in Glen Ridge, N.J. Their only interest is their family. The three older girls are married and have 8 children, all living nearby. The youngest

daughter is a nurse, living at home and working in a nearby hospital. **Elizabeth Arnold Haynes**, from Wellesley, Mass., writes, "I always feel my life is so dull that no one would be interested but then I realize how busy I am with home and family and how lucky I am to have all my family around us, 6 grandchildren from 5-15. Two horses racing in Florida at the present time. My activities include garden club, golf and antiques." **Margaret Meredith Littlefield** writes that they have been retired for about two years which gave them a chance to visit their son when he was on the West Coast. He and his family now live in Worcester, Mass., while Peg's daughter and family are in Hyde Park, N.Y. Peg has taken an apartment in Naples, Fla., for six weeks this winter. **Helen Nichols Foster** spent six weeks in Florida last year and a month the previous winter. Helen's daughter Terry still lives with her in Pleasantville, N.Y. when they are not travelling. Last year Helen visited Portugal, Spain and Morocco and the previous year tripped through Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

The sympathy of the class is extended to **Jeannette McCroddan Reid**, whose husband died last year. Daughter Sandy graduated from college this year and is living at home. Susan lives in Andover, Mass., where Jeannette often visits her four grandchildren, ranging in age from 6 months to 7 years.

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**Married:** **Helen Tatum Winslow** to Robert Thomas Rountree of Florida. Her daughter Celeste was matron of honor at the wedding in New Jersey. Granddaughter Gail is now a 2nd year student at the Univ. of Pennsylvania.

**Marjorie Halsted Heffron, Lyda Chatfield Sudduth** and **Sarah Pithouse Becker** met at CC in '68 to lay some long-range plans for our class reunion. "The reason for such an early meeting," said Midge, "is that Ray and I had to leave for Washington, D.C. March 1st. Ray is retired but will be doing a public relations job for the administration of St. John's Church, Lafayette Sq. until '70." While in Florida, Midge spent a night with **Florence Hopper Levick** and "we never stopped talking about reunion and CC except to eat and sleep. Bony, who had some eye surgery, is fine now and busy on the board of CC Club. **Frances Joseph** sat in on the long-range-planning conclave with Midge, Sally and Lyda. **Mary Crofoot DeGange** gave a splendid report at that time on AAGP contributions. **Frances** and **Marguerite Olmstead Williams** had a good visit over lunch. **Grace Trappan** is a whiz with Xerox in the Portland Library. She at-



tended a CC of So. Maine luncheon and reported the presence of "4 from Our Time but only one from our class — me."

**Frances Williams Wood** left Maine in mid-winter to drive to Florida with her sister **Marg. Thistle McKee Bennett** writes, "I'm



all for co-education at CC if they'll skip football!" She is still enjoying the practice of pediatrics. "I have many 2nd generation children now,

which adds zest to my work." Thistle is also working on a research program with county schools, attempting by neurological tests to find the kindergartners in special need of specifically directed teaching. She lives on a farm in Virginia. **Carolyn Hone Nichols** works with emotionally disturbed children in California, likes to dig in her garden, and goes to meetings of the Audubon Society. **Alice Gaertner** has been volunteering at the N.H. hospital and now serves as VP of the hospital aid ass'n. **Ruth Battey Silver** announces the birth of Carolyn, her 7th grandchild. She says Bill has acres of azaleas for sale on their farm in Darlington, Md.

**Mary Wilcox Cross** reports, "We have winterized our cottage in Madison for retirement-on-the-beach from '69 forward. Much as we loved life in Wisconsin, Connecticut is like coming home — closer to classmates in that area." **Cora Lutz** has been spending months at Yale, "plugging away at my book. The research is finished but there is a lot of writing and rewriting yet to be done." **Sarah Carslake** is still at Brearley School, and enjoying life in "Strike City", having come through garbage, fuel-oil and the Hong Kong flu unscathed. She asks, "What do you think of CC going co-ed? Isn't it marvelous!" **Elizabeth Tremaine Pierce** is more than pleased that her son Bill has returned from Viet Nam. "This sets '69 as the happiest New Year ever, but last year Marion (a CC grad) had a baby boy, which makes us very happy too." The son of **Mary Crofoot DeGange** is now director of sports information at Dartmouth. "Jack travels with the team, conducts a daily radio show from the Hanover station, and puts out a weekly 8-page sports bulletin." Daughter Jeanne is working for her master's in library science at Syracuse Univ. Mary dislikes the idea of CC going co-ed but is "prepared to face the inevitable." **Margaret Knight Casey's** son-in-law teaches English at Kent Boys' School — "not at all the sort Gerry Jensen taught us." **Eleanor Vernon** spent two weeks of February with Frances Huling '28 in Yucaipa, Calif. "We rode horseback and bathed in the warm desert springs." Nubs brought back some fine color slides. **Constance Delagrangé Roux** flew to Hawaii and found a "garnish of orchids" on her dinner plate and on her bed pillow. **Susan Chittenden Cunningham** deals in millions, offering challenges to Big Names via investment advice and lecturing to large classes. Ted is busy, keeping the professors writing proper books for his press. Son Jack is a successful trial lawyer. Sue was thrilled to get a letter from Richard M. Nixon. If I were younger I'd like to move into Washington and see how things tick; it would be a challenge to me." At

the recent AAUW State Arts Festival, I won first prize for a color print, "Hope at the End of the Rainbow," a picture of a fisherman casting his line into the ocean waves with a rainbow arching the scene from dunes to sea. Now I'm doing publicity for the CC Quest party to be held here in April. The three New Jersey Clubs are combining efforts to make this party an outstanding event. My husband is a special adviser to the postmaster general of the U.S. and we received an invitation from the First Lady to attend a ceremony and reception at The White House to dedicate the 1969 Beautification Commemorative stamps.

The class of 1927 will be saddened to hear of the death of **Nathalie Benson Manley**.

#### 1928 Correspondent:

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#### 1929 Correspondent:

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**Grace Houston Murch** and her husband Allan had a wonderful trip to Hawaii during the summer of 1968, delighting in the "painlessly integrated society where East has met West." Their daughter Evelyn, who lives near them in St. Louis, has three little ones, Kathy, David and Martha, and daughter Trudy has one kindergartner, Jeff. At an evening tea for Dr. Shain, given in November by the St. Louis Alumnae, Beth was pleased to meet graduates from the classes of 1921, 1923 and 1925, all recently moved to the St. Louis area. Bob and **Barbara Bent Bailey** paid a long-promised visit to Tom and me in October. They drove from Swampscott, stopping en route in Syracuse to visit daughter Janet who teaches there. Bee and I had a lot of catching up to do in the chit-chat department and Bob and Tom kept right up with us. We drove to Cleveland and viewed Lake Erie. Web and **Normah Kennedy Mandell** couldn't join us because Normah was in Norfolk babysitting her two grandchildren for 3½ weeks while their parents were in Europe. Gil Stewart, **Winifred Link's** husband, continues to improve after a heart attack suffered last fall when he and Winnie were in Chicago paying their first visit to daughter Anne Carol and her husband. The Stewarts are contemplating leaving Rockville Center, and building further out on Long Island. Anne Carol and Dennis (Vair) are parents of Julian Stewart Vair, born Nov. 23. The Stewart's son John, who served as legislative assistant to Hubert Humphrey, was awarded his Ph.D. by the Univ. of Chicago in June and now qualifies for college teaching. He and his wife recently adopted Cara Jane Stewart so that Michael 4 will have a playmate and sister. February will be a busy time around the Stevens' house as younger son Bill will be commissioned in the Navy on Feb. 14 and on Feb. 22 older

son Tom will marry a girl with whom he went to grade school.

**Helen Hergert Kingsbury** died in May 1968 after a long illness. She was one of the few music majors in the class of 1929, had been living in Seattle several years and taught in an adult school program. The sympathy of the class is extended to her sons: William of Cocoa, Fla., and Robert, in the service, stationed in England.

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**Virginia Reitzell** is assistant librarian at Erie Public Library. She takes care of her invalid mother, is treasurer of the YWCA board, in the Soroptimist Club and Delta Sigma Sorority, on the AAUW Welfare Council, gardening, stamp collecting and bridge. **Ruth Griswold Ferguson** says Kraeer's book was not published in '68 but it will be out in early '69. She planned to spend Christmas in St. Pete with daughter Harriet and three grandsons. **Evelyn Whittemore Woods** will board the three horses for the winter. Houston for Christmas with daughter and son-in-law, Franconia in January and Aspen in March. She and Foster have to return to the farm in April for an expected foal. Boston papers have been full of articles about Rear Admiral Joseph C. Wylie who took over Jan. 3 as commandant of the First Naval District. This means **Harriette "Bonnie" Bahney Wylie** will no doubt be in Boston. **Evelyn Watt Roberts** has only taken short trips this year with "Bish", as she is pretty well tied down as president of the YWCA. **Marie-Louise Holley Spangler** (Toot) reports that Rilla, her eldest, now has her Ph.D. in physics; Holley, #3 daughter, had a daughter July 31; John was graduated from Hamilton in June with a prize in Greek and from Naval Officers Candidate School, Newport, on Dec. 20. **Julia Stahle McKenzie** visited daughter Anne in Malibu, Calif. this summer. Daughter Mary was married in September to Maj. John Gurr. **Olive Auer Figgatt** and husband Ralph are on a trip around the world visiting daughters in Bangkok and Turkey. **Dorothy Cluthe Schoof** and husband Herb had a trip to Europe, the best part of which was two months in Austria in their own apartment where Herb fished and they spoke German the whole time. Son Carl and wife moved to Jacksonville while they were gone. Bob and daughter Gretchen are with the Peace Corps in Santiago for two years. Herb and Dottie spent Christmas with the Rileys (daughter Linda and husband) and their children.



**Caroline B. Rice** (C.B.) didn't go so far afield with brother Chet this year but had many interesting short trips to Vermont, Canada and the Adirondacks. We had a short visit with **Elfrida Hawthorne Chaffee** and husband Jack at the Wayfarer Inn on Nov. 3. They have sold their home in Wellesley and moved to an apartment in Boston. Jack is superintendent of schools in Wellesley. This correspondent, **Constance Ganoe Jones**, had an involved but fun six months. Son Rick, wife and baby arrived here after a summer in Washington and after resigning from the State Dept. He took a real estate broker's course, bought a three apartment house in Nashua, and moved into one of the apartments on Nov. 13. Having them near enough to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas together was a real joy. Daughter Debby is still in Boston with Camp Fire Girls and she too is here often. Diane, Don and the boys will be back in Quantico from Hawaii the first of February and small daughter Judy is working at Rancho Los Amigos in Los Angeles. **Jane Williams Howell** had the pleasure of entertaining President and Mrs. Charles Shain in her home and at a luncheon in Sarasota of the newly formed Florida West Coast Alumnae Chapter. Forty friends, parents and visiting alumnae were present, including Fanny Young Sawyer '30 and Normah Kennedy Mandell '29 from Cleveland. Jane keeps busy with Connecticut affairs, the Alumnae Council last March, and the Quest program this summer. In June she had a trip to Arizona and a 9-day trip on the Colorado River by raft, camping along the way. Jane's daughter and son-in-law, who had just been discharged from the Navy as a helicopter pilot with 313 missions, spent the rest of the summer with her in Watch Hill, R.I. Her son graduated in June from the Univ. of Pennsylvania and went into the Army in August. Daughter Sarah is with her at home. **Lois Truesdale Gaspar's** son Jay was married on July 13 to Linden Hughes '67 in Newport, R.I. Jay is a graduate of Yale and teaches at the Harvey School in Katonah, N.Y. Linden had taught at the Head Start Follow Through Program in New Haven. **Jeannette LaMarche DeWolfe** spent several weeks in Florida last winter and while there had many visits with **Jane Williams Howell**. Nettie got back from Hawaii in December and welcomed in the New Year at the Rose Bowl football game in California. **Elizabeth Schaibley Grimes** is enjoying her new venture of working with husband Byron and daughter Betsy at the Grimes Press. **Dorothy Rose Griswold** keeps busy as usual with a house full of guests and activities concerning Conn. College. Dorothy's daughter Marion and son-in-law Bob are living in West Branch, Iowa, where she works in Herbert Hoover's Memorial Library and Bob is working in a Ph.D. creative writing program of the Univ. of Iowa, the only one the country offers. Your correspondent, **Mary More Harriett**, spent several days in June in Pennsylvania at husband Fred's 50th college reunion and then in Columbus, Ohio, visiting our daughter, husband and grandchild. While there we had a nice day with **Jeannette LaMarche DeWolfe** in Marion, Ohio. Later in the summer I had a visit with **Flavia Gorton Williams** and

husband Stewart in Hudson, Ohio, before going to my niece's wedding in Toledo, Ohio, and right back by plane to Columbus to take care of my newest granddaughter.

All Christmas cards say, "See you at reunion?" My Happy New Year wish is "Yes." Let's all come back and have a great time, whether we recognize each other or not!

Our sympathy to **Rosemay Brewer Lange** on the loss of her mother in November.

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This is our year for reunion on campus. So be planning to meet in June for the fun and festivities. You will hear details from our reunion committee and we hope you can all be there.

Teaching 3rd graders plus the joys of home life with husband Tom and sons Andy and Jack and puppy George keep **Ruth Hawkins Huntley** busily occupied. **Katherine Hammond Engler** and retired husband Ken are involved in building a home on Trip Island, S.C. They will continue to summer at Lake George. Last summer **Elizabeth Overton Bryan** and husband Bill were in Kansas City where Bill attended the library convention. Betty contacted **Helen Wallis Christensen** for several good visits. **Virginia Vail Lavino** and retired husband George spent 2½ months last spring visiting Portugal, Spain and Italy. The first three weeks were with a group sponsored by the University Museum of Penn., archaeologically oriented and concentrating on southern Italy and Sardinia. Ginny and George are grandparents of a 9-month-old grandson. Their other son married in October. **Joanna Eakin Despres** and husband Emile are back in California, enjoying the familiar Stanford University life which Emile's position on the faculty affords. **Grace Stephens** journeyed to the West Coast last winter and early spring where she visited with old friends, stopping in Lincoln, Neb. en route to Long Island. **Evelyn Carlough Higgins** and husband Edward spent a great deal of time in Maine and on Cape Cod. Their daughter Deborah and family live in Allentown, Pa. and son Mike has just completed his schooling with a master's degree in physics. Teaching 1st grade keeps **Eleanor Cairney Gilbert** busy. Last summer Tempi and husband Fred attended the wedding of their youngest son Dick in Cleveland. They then motored through Canada for three weeks and on their way home visited daughter Barbara, her husband and four children in their new home on Lake Superior. Barbara's husband is a practicing orthopedic surgeon. Married son Rick lives in Falls Church, Va. where he is in his 3rd and intern seminary year at Holy Trinity Church.

The class extends deepest sympathy to the family of **Mary L. Newcomb Hobson** who died Apr. 23, 1968 and to the family of **Marjorie E. Green Sullivan** who died in October, 1968. Also it is with sadness that we report the death of Dr. Philip Burack in November, 1968. Sympathy is extended to his wife **Jessie Wachenheim Burack** and the family.

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**Lydia (Jill) Albree Child** was elected class president at our 33rd reunion last June. 20 of us were on hand to greet **Adele (Jimmy) Francis Toye** who made the trip from England. **Edna Grubner Gilman** was our gracious hostess for our class picnic at her charming home in Gilman. Other newly elected officers are: **Mary Savage Collins**, vice-president and reunion chairman; **Virginia Golden Kent**, treasurer; and our two correspondents. **Sabrina Burr Sanders** is our nominating committee chairman. Jill's eldest son is an economist with Internal Revenue Service in Washington and father of her two grandsons; #2 son a Peace Corps engineer in Afghanistan; #3 son Ralph a freshman at Dartmouth; Marty 16 a junior at Macduffie School in Springfield, Mass. Jill is our class agent for AAGP and urges all to give generously. **Subby Burr Sanders** spent a week of golf and fun at King's Inn, Freeport, Grand Bahamas. They have three sons in college now. She and Harry missed the annual area CC Christmas party for the first time in years. **Mary-Alice Davis Chappell** attended it with her husband and reported it was the 32nd CC "gang" reunion in Hartford . . . a gala affair. Among those present were: **Marion White Van der Leur**, **Catherine Jenks Morton**, **Dorothea Schaub Schwarzkopf**, **Marion Warren Rankin**, **Barbara Birney Pratt**. **Merion Ferris Ritter** was recovering from a hospital stay and couldn't make it. **Lois Smith MacGiehan** and Neal missed the party but Lois writes that her husband is manager, General Electric Credit Corp.'s Medallion Home Financing Program, NYC, and that she is secretary to one of the ministers of First Presbyterian Church, Stamford. She has two daughters: Judy married and Ruth in 5th form (11th grade) at Wykeham Rise School, Washington, Conn. Their family hobby is boating. **Barbara Stott Tolman** has had a busy year with weddings: Jody in March; Nancy in December. **Priscilla Sawtelle Ehrlich** is working with children and teachers — spent a month in England on the staff of a special workshop. Skating is their favorite sport



this winter. **Virginia Diehl Moorhead** is still teaching a class of educable mentally retarded children. She became a grandmother in September.



**Sylvia Dworski** is now professor of modern languages at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana. She still loves teaching French. She has taught for the last two summers as a visiting faculty member at the Univ. of Notre Dame Graduate School. **Elizabeth Farnum Guibord** has her M.A. and is head of the science dept. at the Masters School. Daughter Barbara may come to CC next fall. Farnie has one grandson, Clark. Winter skiing is their favorite outdoor sport. She sees **Ruth Fairfield Day** quite often. **Mary Blatchford Van Etten** has a full-time administrative job at Lasell Junior College. She works mostly as academic adviser to students and on admissions committee. "It is certainly a challenging time to be working with college students." Mary and John spend their free time at their camp in Maine. **Barbara Birney Pratt** is having a busy time of it. She and Bill have four sons: Dave, a senior at Worcester Tech; John, a sophomore there; Joe, a high school sophomore and Pete in 5th grade. The farm is still the family hobby. "Presently we're supporting two milking cows and three heifers." Bobbie finds time to be active in GOP affairs: vice chairman of GOP Town Committee and Registrar of voters. **Margaret (Peg) Baylis Hrones** welcomed her first grandson in Seattle Jan. 5th. This summer she and Johnny entertained **Hazel Depew Holden and Hap**, and **Dorothy (Petey) Boomer Karr** and Neal at their camp in New Hampshire. According to Petey, Hazel tore her knee at tennis and was in a cast for six weeks. Petey has been busy with their favorite sport, curling. "Just back from Saint John, N.B. and Seigniory Club, P.Q. where we curled against both U.S. and Canadians." **Doris Merchant Wiener's** husband was very ill this past year. Recently, they spent 10 days in North Carolina. **Harriet Backus French's** daughter was married in Texas Jan. 18. She is a student at Baylor Univ. in Waco. Another daughter is at the Univ. of Calif. at Berkeley. Her third daughter lives in Connecticut. Harriet and her husband, now retired, plan to travel from now on. **Madlyn (Hugs) Hughes Wasley** and Fran spent a gala two week holiday in Stowe. This included three children and three German shepherds. In March they plan a two week skiing trip to Aspen and Vail. **Maude Rademan Hickey** and Dan are off on a trip to Mexico and New Orleans. Maude's daughter Lynne was married last August and lives in Albany, where her husband is studying law. The Bergen County CC Club met at Maude's recently.

**Olive Birch Lillich** writes, "Our son Geoffrey graduated from college magna cum laude in June and now is attending graduate school at UCLA." Olive became a grandmother for the second time — Geoffrey has a daughter Gayle and Christopher. **Jane Cox Cosgrove's** daughter Penny has two children. Her son John was married in October. He and another son, Chris, are serving in the armed forces: John is in the Army Signal Corps; Chris

in the Navy Reserve. "Our son-in-law was honored by the Univ. of Michigan for excellence in teaching and counseling." **Ceil Silverman Grodner** and her husband were in Jamaica last spring and hope to go to Europe this year. Their son Brian is married and teaching in Manhattan. Rickey is a junior at Univ. of Buffalo; Robby is a sophomore there. Both are pre-dental students. Lauren is a junior high schooler and Terri-Ellen 11 is "a charming, very feminine little girl." **Vera Warbasse Spooner** is a councilman in Rocky River, Ohio. She is chairman of the Parks Committee and "has planted trees, historic markers, and ideas all over Rocky River." Her daughter, Val, attended Western College for Women last year as a freshman and in March 1968 was married. Eric is in his second year at Wayne State Medical School in Detroit. Carol is in her third year of medicine at the Univ. of Michigan. The entire family, members of the Cleveland Yachting Club, are dedicated to sailing. Vera and Willett own a new Cal-36 and hope to compete this summer. Vera was again Woman Sailing Champion. **Frances (Rushie) Rush Caldwell** is a social worker for Dept. of Public Social Service in Los Angeles County and her husband Bill is librarian for the Simi Valley School District. The family is scattered as far as Laramie, Wyo. where daughter Joy is married and teaching Spanish. Rushie reports that all the children are married and have their own families and hobbies. **Catherine (Kaye) Cartwright Backus'** son Stephen 21 is a senior at Boston College with law school in mind for next year. David 19 is a second year student in the School of Engineering at Brown. Paul 17 is a senior in high school. **Barbara Hervey Reussow** says that **Virginia (Ginny) King Carver's** daughter Anne has been accepted at Cornell. Bobbie and her husband have a new home in Boca Raton, Fla. and hope to spend their winters there. Her letter contained a shocking report of the death of **Constance (Connie) Turner Rea's** son while on active Coast Guard duty. Our deepest sympathy to Connie and her family, and to **Virginia Diehl Moorhead** whose husband died suddenly in June.

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Reunion in June was a big success in spite of the rather small turnout. Weddings and graduations kept many away. **Virginia Deuel** and **Norma Bloom Hauserman** went all-out in creating distinctive earrings (tiny baskets in our class colors) and delightful gold and purple garters that helped to make '37 unforgettable on campus. Election of officers was held from the slate nominated by **Elise Thompson Bailen's** committee: **Eliza Bissell Carroll**,

president and acting class agent chairman; **Doris Wheeler Oliver**, vice-president; **Marion Littlefield Fisher** continuing another term as treasurer, and **Emma Moore Manning**, class correspondent for the NEWS. Retiring from office were **Elizabeth von Colditz Bassett** who served as class president since last reunion; **Mary Corrigan Daniels**, class agent chairman and **Dorothy Baldwin**, class correspondent.

The wedding of **Norma Bloom Hauserman's** daughter Dianne to James Pilgrim on Nov. 30 in NYC was well attended by '37: **Margaret Coulter** and **Theodora (Tippy) Hobson**, Dianne's godmothers; **Dorothy Baldwin**, **Elizabeth Adams Lane**, **Virginia Peterson Sarles** and **Cornelia (Coco) Tillotson**. Margo flew in from California. She stayed with Coco who gave her a super deluxe tour of the United Nations complex where Coco has been employed some 20-plus years. Norma's oldest son graduated from the Univ. of Miami and reports to the Navy for OCS in May; her second boy is a junior at Curry College in Milton, Mass.; third son is a senior at Gunnery School in Connecticut; the two youngest, Ricky and Annette, are still in school at home. **Priscilla Cole Duncan** and her husband replaced their plane with an Airstream Travel Trailer in which they toured the Pacific Northwest, and spent November and December in Florida. Priscilla works during the winter months as a tax accountant in Tucson. She says three months of work suits her just fine! **Belinda Beam** left in January for a 90-day world cruise. **Nancy Burke Leahey's** interests center "on the kids" mostly. Burke is married and the father of a daughter Jennifer; Garry Jr. is a senior at Harvard; Joan is a freshman at Manhattanville; Bob is at Andover.

**Margaret McConnell Edwards** and her husband, a federal judge, visited CC not too long ago and were very impressed with the campus. Her older son George won his first state-wide election in the fall and is now a member of the Board of Governors of Wayne State Univ. Her second son Jim is married and in second year law school in Boston. **Edith Burnham Carlough's** son Glenn is a junior at Millikin Univ. and daughter Judy a freshman at Middlebury. 7th grader Linda remains at home. Edie reports seeing **Margaret Aymar Clark** and **Lois (Pop) Riley Erskine** at CC Club meetings recently. **Elizabeth (Bette) Adams Lane** is working full-time as a teacher-librarian in Rye. She is active in church work — and runs that library too. Her older son returned from VietNam after 13 weeks as a helio-pilot in the Marine Corps. Second son is a junior at Earlham. Daughter Tina is a freshman at Ohio Wesleyan. **Helen Bendix Mackintosh** continues her interest in "human rights" groups. Her daughter is working on her M.A. in urban planning at NYU and her son on his M.A. in public health at Tulane. **Barbara Haines Werbe** has a sophomore at CC.; her oldest son was married in the fall. **Rosamond Brown Hansen** is living in So. Portland, Me. Her husband is a professor at the Univ. of Maine. She keeps busy with family, church and nursing organizations. Her oldest son is a junior honor student at R.I. School of Design; the two younger boys are still at home.



**Dorothy Chalker Sauer** had a trip to Europe last spring. Her hobbies include flying, camping and bird feeding stations. Her older son was married in December and the younger is presently at a fine languages school in Washington, D.C., courtesy U.S. Navy. **Ruth Burdsall Reed's** interests remain gardening, traveling and unpaid social work at Conn. Valley Hospital where her husband is chief of plant and maintenance. Her daughter is teaching 2nd grade and her son is studying electrical engineering at Hartford Tech. College. **Virginia Deuel's** gift shop, The Happy Mouse, is doing fine. In between store hours she manages to get in a lot of golf. **Margaret Aymar Clark** has taken up scuba diving and loves it. Her daughter Peggy 24 is in Connecticut, Mary 18 is a sophomore at Middlebury, and Ed is a junior at Country Day School where Margie is teaching. As soon as Ed graduates, she plans to retire for a second time.

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**Married:** **Barbara Horner** to W. Walter Neeley on Sept. 10, '66. They live in Clarksburg, W. Va. **Eleanor S. McLeod Adriance's** son Rocky 22 enlisted and is stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. in cartographical drafting school. Pete 20 is a junior at Alfred Univ. and V.P. of his fraternity. Candy is a senior at Endicott Jr. College and Dave 11 is an avid Little Leaguer. Sue says, "Harry and I are fine and just stand by and watch the kids go by." **Hannah Andersen Griswold** and husband are planning a trip to Spain and Norway, taking their two children with them: Ruth-Marie, a freshman at Colby College in Maine, and Camilla, in the 5th grade. This trip will be their 25th anniversary celebration. Husband Bill is still director of the Hartford Branch of the U. of Conn. and Hannah is teaching Spanish at the Wethersfield High School and is treasurer for Alpha Kappa State, the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Int., an organization of outstanding women teachers. **Elizabeth Fessenden Kenah's** oldest child is married and living in Michigan, her second daughter is working in Washington, D.C., and their son is a sophomore at Cornell. They plan a trip to Ireland. **Margaret Abell Powell** and her husband had a "glorious five weeks driving through England, Wales and Scotland in our new Mercedes." **Doris Houghton Ott** and family have recently returned to Pennsylvania. Her married daughter, Nancy, and family live in Michigan and her son is with the Army Signal Corps in VietNam at Da Nang. Doris spent a day with **Virginia Taber McCamey** in Cincinnati. They both plan to return to reunion in June. **Eunice Cocks Millard** says, "We spent the summer sailing our new 30' ketch all the way above Boston to attend

a niece's wedding and back to Cape Cod." They saw **Mildred Weitlich Gieg** in Cotuit where she was house hunting, with eventual retirement in mind. Nini and **Barbara Myers Haldt**, our reunion chairman, attended a meeting on campus to formulate plans for our 30th reunion this June. **Frances Belknap Stevens** spent hours on the recent presidential election as registrar of voters for shut-ins, hospitals and rest homes, earning her first salary. Her married son and wife have a 2-year-old son.



**Kathryn Ekirch** continues as "Director of Community and Public Relations at Pace College, Westchester, and the newly appointed Dean of Women — this is the first dean's title that has been given at either the Pleasantville or New York campus of Pace." Kat is quite a golfer, winning the club championship again plus "a memorial gold medal given by one of the area golf associations in memory of a golfer who happened to be a close friend of mine." **Jean Ellis Blumlein's** daughter Anne is spending two quarters at Stanford in France. The Blumlein's spent a wonderful day and evening in New York with the Warners (**Elizabeth Patton**) last June. **Margaret Robison Loehr** recently spent some time in Cleveland and saw **Kathleen Brown Wilhelm**. Kay has two grandchildren. Mog's daughter Marnie finished at Katy Gibbs, N.Y., qualified as a Kelly girl, and is now living in San Francisco. Her son Bill was married last summer, is living in Miami and going to school. **Beatrice Dodd Foster's** daughter Wendy is at St. Lawrence Univ., Sue completed her last year at the Univ. of New Hampshire, Peter is teaching in Durham, N.H. and has spent some time in the N.H. Army Reserves. Bea is secretary to the president of the J. L. Hammett Co. and is taking a course in data processing. She is also in an automotive class for women, run by Citgo. Your correspondent will not be back for our 30th since her son John will be graduating from Bowdoin College the same day. Our youngest son Jim transferred to the Univ. of Maine last September and is much happier. Last Labor Day we convinced our four children, the two spouses and two grandchildren that it would be fun to have a family camping expedition. We went to Mt. Blue State Park in Maine, occupied two campsites side by side and had a ball. We even all climbed a mountain together, with a picture of all ten of us taken on top to prove it.

It is with sadness that we report the death of two of our classmates. **Dorothy Whipple Robinson** died on Sept. 12. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whipple of Florida, her husband Jay, three sons, and a brother. Dobie was our class president our sophomore year, after which she left college to be married. Our deep sympathy to all her family. **Marie (Ninki) Hart Burger** died on Jan. 1. Ninki had recently published a book, "The Executive's Wife", which was reviewed in the December issue of the Alumnae News. At the time of her death Ninki was a freelance copywriter. She and her husband had travelled extensively in recent

years and she incorporated some of her experiences in her book. Our deepest sympathy to her husband Chester.

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Our former correspondent, **Janet Peto McLain**, left Cleveland recently for California and will be at the La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club during February and March. **Barbara Yohe Williams'** oldest son is married and studying for his Ph.D. in chemistry. Next son graduates from Marietta College in June and her daughter is inspecting colleges. Bobby is still busy with her nursery school. **Thea Dutcher Coburn** had a visit with **Ann Rubinstein Husch** who studied at the Univ. of Connecticut this past summer. **Rachel Hoar Cole** has two married children. Her son lives in Rutland, Vt., while her daughter and husband are band and orchestra directors in a school in Canajoharie, N.Y. Her younger daughter is a junior at Univ. of Maryland studying for a degree in applied music. Rae teaches piano to twelve students and her husband makes violins for a hobby. **Jane Merritt Bentley** has become a grandmother. Daughter Betty Ann had a son. Betty's husband is stationed at Ft. Lewis and they live in Olympia, Wash. Jane has a thriving business called "Heirloom Bouquets by Orchard Hill Studios." The bouquets are old-fashioned flower creations. Jane also uses her flower arranging talent in decorating for weddings and receptions. Last April the Bentleys took a trip to Spain, Portugal and Morocco. **Marjorie Wicoff Cooper** has once again proudly turned over a daughter (Barbie) to the new freshman class at CC. Her older daughter, Lynne, is art editor for Koine, class historian, and is directing the rerun of last year's Junior Show, for which she wrote many of the lyrics. My husband and I spent most of September touring England and Scotland in a mini car, sightseeing and meeting over 60 of his relatives. We particularly enjoyed the city of Edinburgh and the beauty of the Lake District. Though the Yankee Pedlar is moving to Old Lyme, Conn. on Feb. 1, **Carol Chappell** will continue to live at Magonk Pt. in Waterford.

Our sincere sympathy goes to the family of **Natalie Ballinger Bartlett** who passed away in September 1968.

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With this column, MJ essays as your correspondent. While I missed reunion because of commencement exercises at son Stephen's Cathedral School for Boys, San Francisco, others had more exciting and happy events to keep them away. That same weekend was **Barbara Andrus Collins'** mother's 81st birthday; the start of **Priscilla Barley's** long-planned trip to Europe; Charles W. Barnes II (**Margery Claverie Barnes'** eldest's) graduation from his father's Alma Mater, Emory; **Kay Croxton Caine's** extra duty at the Huntington Beach Public Library in California; **Nancy Crook Tishler's** godson's wedding; and **Betty Crouch Hargrave's** eldest son's graduation from Princeton. **Louise Daglian Belcher's** sojourn in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and **Heliodora de Mendonca de Almeida's** activities in Rio de Janeiro kept them both busy and away from New London for the festivities. **Jean Forman Harrington's** devotion to the family business interests and **Margaret Hemmings Jones'** work as med. sec. in Milwaukee, Wisc. prevented their attendance. **Elizabeth Goodrich Barnes'** son Jonathan graduated from Lafayette, as did **Betsy Hodgson Yeager's** second son from N.E. Louisiana State. **Barbara Hogate Ferrin's** husband's 25th at Princeton and **Mary Lou Williams Haskell's** husband's 25th at Harvard found these gals reveling in New Jersey and Massachusetts respectively. Advanced course work at Boston Univ. kept **Evelyn Hooper Stenstream** from New London and Charles' busy season with the San Francisco Giants kept **Margaret Ann Hoppock Feeney** away. A double-header for **Cornelia (Sis) Johnson Fisher**, husband's 25th at Amherst and daughter Lynne's graduation from Russell Sage College, took care of that first weekend in June for her. **Mary Knotts Walsh's** youngest son James graduated from the Cape May CG Training Station and **Beth Mildon Meree's** transfer for two years to Naples, Italy, with all that packing, kept these two ladies busy. Capt. Meree's assignment is as Cmdr. Medit. Sect. USCG. **Elizabeth (Teal) Middleton Brown** went to eldest son Scott's graduation from high school, as did **Wilma Parker Redman** for her second son's graduation in Portland, Me. **Katrina Mitchell McConnell's** Kandy was graduated from Knox College and **Mary (Surge) Surgenor Baker's** eldest son ditted from Wheaton in Illinois. Her nephew's wedding kept **Julia Rich Kurtz** in Washington, D.C. as did the activities of twin daughters, Joan and Ann, at Holton Arms for **Jean Wallace Douglas**.

**Mary Lou Stephenson** could not get away from her work for the Harvard Medical School at Massachusetts General Hospital, nor could **Irene Steckler Jacobson** shift enough appointments in her private practice in psychoanalysis and psychotherapy in upstate New York to make it to New London.

**Mary Lou Walsh Thackrey's** second

daughter graduated from Foothill High, Tustin, Calif. and **Nancy Stecher Brown's** eldest daughter Laurel graduated from Hollins College. **Traill Arnold Kenety's** son is with the Army in Thailand. **Elizabeth Smith Livesey's** son Bill is a sergeant in Viet Nam as chief of a USMC helicopter crew. **Carolyn Willis North's** son Nelson III is with the AF and really on the move. **Doris Hostetter Hoy's** eldest son, Christopher, Harvard '68, is doing great things for a boys' hostel in Addis Ababa. Single-handed, he has successfully completed its funding by inaugurating the Kesh Kesh Potato Chip Company. **Barbara Hellman** is off to Montego, Jamaica. **Emily Carl Davis** was fighting off the flu at its place of origin, Hong Kong. **Anne Jacobs** is just getting settled at her new two-year post with the American Embassy, Rabat, Morocco. To the number of grandchildren, add the following: **Josephine Hyde Green's** eldest son's two darlings; **Frances Adams Messersmith's** eldest son's son; **Jane Geckler Seelbach's** eldest daughter's baby girl; **Ruth Remsen Roberts'** son Peter's son; **Mary Knotts Walsh's** two granddaughters by her eldest daughter; **Lois Creighton Abbott's** son David's daughter; **Mary Enequist Brown's** Chick Child's son and **Barbara's** two daughters; **Virginia Railsback Neiley's** daughter Cynthia's little girl; **Constance Smith Hall's** daughter Jacqueline's son; and **Doris (Skip) Wright Narten's** daughter Alicia's son. **Betty Crouch Hargrave** writes that eldest son Alexander married Norman Thomas' granddaughter at a lovely late summer wedding in Long Island, N.Y. **Jacquelyn Myers Couser**, after 22 years in the traces, is now free-lancing in interior design in Sausalito, Calif. **Marilyn Sworzyn Haase** returned to work as of September as an advisor and economist with HUD in San Francisco. **Jane Kessler Morgan** has classes in remedial reading in a ghetto school in Philadelphia—and is still working on her French. **Brooks Johnstone Saltsman's** hospital work keeps her hopping between Chicago and Atlantic City, after a flying trip to CC in July. **Amy Fleming Chatfield** is scampering after a 3-year-old daughter and wants to know if any other '43er is a "new" mother. **Kathryn McKee MacVicar**, with one second generation son a soph at Princeton, braces herself for son Tom's graduation from Darien High School in June and his demands that the whole family do a "Horace Greeley" forthwith.

Our sympathy goes to the family in Portland, Me. of **Frances Lombard**, a scholar and a lady, with a BA from Mt. Holyoke, and MA and CAS from the Univ. of Maine. She will be missed.

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**Margot Hay Harrison** writes enthusiastically of her trip with Art and another couple to Mexico for the Olympics where they had an apartment with maid, car and driver. "Of course I know that you all saw much more on TV but nothing could equal actually being there with all the pageantry, color and excitement. The first time we saw the American flag go up on the standard was at swimming, and it was in all three places. What a thrill to be an American! . . . Art is flying quite a bit. He has an Aztec now and his instrument rating. I'm keeping the home fires burning and trying to lower my golf score. I played in the state tournament this year and won a piece of silver." Son Bruce is a sophomore at Duke planning to major in economics, Betsy a junior at Laurel School in Cleveland, and Jodi a busy 2nd grader. **Charlotte Burr Evans** is teaching school, has two girls at Skidmore and son Scott at home. Daughter Nancy was honored by being chosen Queen of the Bridgeport Barnum Festival. **Elizabeth Seissen Dahlgren** gave **Patricia Turchon Norton** and Blackie the traditional welcome with leis when they visited Hawaii recently. Wally is commander of the Coast Guard Air Station there. Patty's daughter Candy is a sophomore at CC and designs their lovely Christmas cards. **Marion Jones Eddy** says she has retired—no paid work, no volunteer work, just bridge and loafing. Lynne is doing graduate work at the Univ. of Alabama, Rick is at Emory and to be married in June and Sue is waiting to hear from colleges. **Alean Brisley Kress** and Les are living in Virginia. They have one daughter in Dallas, another married and living in Fort Worth, a son at Georgia Tech and two still at home. **Nancy Bailey Neely** and Marv ended their summer with a bang. Daughter Kathy was married under the trees at Mallow Hill to an Earlham classmate in a Quaker ceremony cut short by an August thunderstorm. The reception was held in their wonderful, big barn. The wedding work and fun brought from France Brigitte (their former AFS student) for two months. Susie is a sophomore at Guilford College majoring in biology, while Martha continues to swing, giggle and sing through Abington Friends School aided by a hockey stick and an occasional book. Mark, a typical 7-year-old boy, comes complete with three useless ponies, three spoiled dogs, two rabbits, and a rooster named Gertrude.

**Natalie Bigelow Barlow** was also a mother-of-the-bride when Gail was married in September to a Wesleyan student. She is a junior on the pilot residential exchange program from CC to Wesleyan. Daughter Mary is a senior at CC. **Katherine Wenk Christoffers** and Bill had dinner with **Jane Taylor Huffman** and her husband during a trip to La Jolla, and the girls decided only husbands get older. Katy's son Karl, a junior at Kent School, is trying hard to grow an inch in order to try out for varsity crew. He is the proud owner of a single shell and a Jet 14 sailboat. Last summer he got his driver's license and also learned to fly—why mothers get gray! However, Katy managed to get her mind off of it long enough to win a





golf championship. Freshman year roommates in Katherine Blunt House are Wendy Wilkins, daughter of **Suzanne Porter Wilkins**, and Sue Monzani, daughter of **Joanne Viall Monzani**. **Priscilla Cobb** loves her work at the Army Research Institute for Environmental Medicine where she is a chemist investigating the effect of high terrestrial altitude on the glucose metabolism of the thyroid gland. For many years she taught at Walnut Hill School. **Joanne Jenkins Baringer** and family had a two-week summer cruise in the Adriatic. Jody is in charge of the thrift shop at New York Hospital. Son Lee is majoring in drama at Yale. **Alice McEwan Perkins** lives in Portland, Conn. Her oldest son is home from Vietnam and plans to finish his last semester at Dartmouth. She has daughters at Skidmore and Colby Junior College as well as two sons at home. **Bernice Riesner Levene** has a son Ricky at Tulane. Susie is an into-everything high school sophomore and Bunny is still chin-deep in volunteer work and car pools. Every time she begins to think seriously about dusting off her social security card, a crisis materializes, so she is still dabbling and falling for every new cookbook published. **Elizabeth Trimble Crosman** and family moved to California when Dor went with Mattel Toys. Trimmie works as a computer programmer for a bank when she is not riding one of their mini-bikes over the miles of trails in Palos Verdes. Margot is a junior at Vassar, having spent last summer in Europe. Bob is a freshman at Syracuse Univ. and could not get back East fast enough after having moved in his senior year of high school. Darcy is a 15-year-old "hippie" swept off her feet by the males of California and Peter is a popular 8th grader, both devoted Californians.

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Since 1961 **Elizabeth Dutton** has worked at the Mass. General Hospital as executive secretary for Dr. William H. Sweet, the chief of neurosurgery. The symphony, theater, opera and travel take her spare time. She spent three weeks in London last spring and enjoyed a family reunion with her brother and his family in Maine last summer. John is now a professor at Southern Methodist in Dallas. Dut recently saw an impressive scientific article co-authored by **Virginia Pond** for work done at Brookhaven National Laboratories. For ten years **Joyce Kappel Sumberg** has lived in Florida where husband Mike is vice president of Walston. Son John is a sophomore at Yale. Two other sons attend high school in Miami Shores. Joyce serves on the staff of the OEO as

coordinator of volunteer services for the Dade County Economic Opportunity Program and is active in the Democratic Party. In the November election **Nancy Remmers Cook's** husband Marlow became Kentucky's newest U.S. Senator, replacing Thurston Morton. The Cooks have purchased a home in Virginia and Nancy has enrolled four of their five children in schools in the Washington area. Daughter Christy is a freshman at Northwestern. See picture below. **Priscilla Baird Hinckley** is back in the States where Curt is teaching science teachers at Lowell State. **Mary Vance Smeraldi** is in Madras,

just two weeks after the wedding of her daughter Libby in Virginia. **Elizabeth Bogert Hayes** and Jack attended. Libby attends the Univ of Louisville while her husband, George McKean, studies at Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Louisville. **Marjorie Barrie Hirsch** is back in the mid-west after a sabbatical semester for Jerry at the Univ. of Edinburgh. Her 12-year-old son Wes attended Royal High Prep where he learned to play cricket and soccer. Both Wes and Marge were disappointed not to have seen the Loch Ness monster.

**Jane Cope Pence** and family are in the



Nancy Remmers Cook '47; with her recently elected husband Senator Marlow Cook, and their children, Caroline, Nancy, Mary Louise and Webb.

India, where her husband is lecturing on law. Mary's two sons are in college at Lehigh and Hobart and her daughter is with her in India. **Jane Delaplane Robinson's** oldest child is in college in St. Louis. **Blanche Harvey Taylor's** two oldest daughters have returned to the Univ. of Miami after spending the summer in England working in offices and living with English families. **Margaret Brown Goddu** moved to San Francisco with her family last July,

Washington area where her colonel husband, Art, is in the Pentagon. Cris is a junior at Agnes Scott in Atlanta, Connie a freshman at Goucher, Cathy in high school and Terry, the only son, in 7th grade. **Nancy Whitmore McKinnon's** husband is in Vietnam. The Pence family have enjoyed taking their 17' outboard over to the Chesapeake and down to Assateague where they camped. Another boating enthusiast, **Nancy (Wally) Blades**



**Geiler**, cruises on the Ohio River with her husband and four children. Wally continues doing part-time anaesthesia, is actively involved in politics, and, not to be outdone by her Pack Chairman husband, has taken on a Cub Scout den. **Priscilla Crim Leidholt's** son is a freshman at Lewis and Clark in Portland, Ore. Three daughters complete the family circle in Denver. Puddy keeps busy with PTA, politics, Head Start, raising horses and poodles, and skiing in Breckenridge. **Catherine Cole Peek** lives in upstate New York, where Bill is with GE. Cappie's five children, 1st grade through high school, helped her fill the freezer and pantry last summer with produce from the garden. They raise turkeys, rabbits and guinea pigs, and enjoy two dogs, one cat and a horse. All of the children are school band participants and "the din is deafening at times." **Jane Coulter Mertz** travelled across country this past summer with her two daughters, visiting national parks and seeing San Francisco. A highlight of the trip was a visit in Chicago with **Barbara Otis**. **Dorothy Dismukes Sutman** maintains a whirlwind schedule as admissions aide for the college in the Jersey area, in Visiting Homemaker Service, Day Nursery, Girl Scouts, Children's Service Committee, a fund raising organization for the Family and Children's Society, and an adoption agency. Last spring she and Bob served as assistant managers of Lindsay's softball team. Son Billy won the outstanding camper award for his tribe at day camp last summer. She has time for golf, as evidenced by a hole-in-one scored last April. **June Williams Weber's** son Eric is a junior art major at Amherst. Daughter Cris is looking for a large co-ed university. Ellen 13 and Tom 9 complete the family circle. **Alice Holmes Phillips' son** Bob is enjoying his freshman year at Hamilton College, while Stephen is in 6th grade, majoring in sports. **Helen Vinal Anderson** has one son in grammar school and a second one in nursery school. Your correspondent visited with **Nancy Powers Thomson** last June on the occasion of our 25th high school reunion in Connecticut. Would you believe that WE hadn't changed a bit?

Our class extends sincere sympathy to the family of **Barbara Campbell Temple** who died last June, following a short illness.

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**MARRIED: Catharine Wilder** to James Pope in June of 1967.

The following month Catharine and Jim arrived in Tartara, Peru, where Jim was on a year's assignment for International Petroleum Co. Ltd. With four children by previous marriage, three stepdaughters, and 5-year-old Walter II, **Mary Ann Hamacheck Beinecke** has a grand total of 5

girls and 3 boys comprising her household in NYC. She and her husband Walter and assorted children weekend and vacation in Nantucket where Mary Ann is director of the Nantucket School of Needlework. This is both a resident school and a home study extension course. Also based in New York is **Estelle Parsons Gehman**. After her Academy award-winning performance in *Bonnie and Clyde*, Parse had the Broadway lead in Tennessee Williams' *The Seven Descents of Myrtle* and a supporting role in the movie *Rachel, Rachel*. Some time between "Myrtle" and "Rachel", she played the only female role in the Yale Drama School's production of Joseph Heller's *We Bombed in New Haven*. TIME praised Parse's portrayal of "an amiable sort of soul . . . who knows she isn't getting any younger." **Jean (Sandy) Carter Bradley** saw Parse when the latter was in New Haven. Sandy is keeping young with a fourth child, Katherine, born in June, '67. **Ann Grayson** is now living in Natick, Mass. **Dallas, Sara (Sally) How Stone, Emily Garrison Lort and Phyllis Nectow Shycon** have had dinner together several times recently. Lee is working as secretary to an archeologist at the Fogg Museum in Cambridge and living in an apartment there. Dallas spent another summer in England and Scotland, having a marvelous time despite most inhospitable weather. She is still teaching at Beaver County Day School in Boston where Phyl's daughter Ellen is a student and **Jeanne Webber Clark's** daughter is president of the senior class. **Frances Adams Nichols' oldest daughter** Christie is a freshman at Wheaton and son Nick is at Milton Academy. Nick Sr. is with Celanise Corp. and Frannie, after a year at the New Canaan Book Shop, is back to being a mother again with young Peter and Jack still at home. **Barbara Himmell Springer** completed her M.A. in library science at Columbia in 1966. She is now working in the Scarborough (N.Y.) school library part-time. Her children are Kate 15, Tom 13 and Bill 10.

**Betty Gottschling duPont** writes from Avon, Montana, that **Joan Jossen Bivin**, Dick and their daughter JoAnn visited the ranch last summer. Even though Betty's daughters Susan and Anne are in school in Arizona, she keeps busy, with her ranch home, ribbon-winning horses, greenhouse and organ lessons. A little over a year ago **Nancy Noyes Copeland** and Bill sold their house in Louisville, Ky., picked up their two sons and moved to Florida, Bill's home state. They are resident managers of Casa Blanca, apartments and private villas, on Siesta Key in Sarasota. They have found their new life "quite a challenge." Bobby and I, **Phyllis Hammer Duin**, have been living in suburban Maryland since we left New London in 1966. Bobby is stationed at the Coast Guard Yard in Curtis Bay and we live in Severna Park. Last year I taught 8th, 9th and 10th grade biology at a small private school nearby. I was head of the department (and its only member) and enjoyed the year very much despite some harrowing times. There was the lecture on the dissection of the earthworm after a 27

year hiatus. After the worm came similar situations with crabs, frogs and even starfish. So I decided to take this year off to recover from it all. I am now back on the happy-housewife, harried-mother-of-teenagers routine.

I am sorry to give you the sad news of the death of **Mary MacDonald Wilson** in July '68. Mary went on to get her master's degree from Hunter College. Our deepest sympathies go to her husband Carl, son Peter and daughter Maryellen, and also to **Frances Adams Nichols** whose father died in September.

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**BORN:** to John and Betty May Gardner Wyeth a daughter, Amy, in December '67.

**Roldah Northup Cameron**, president of our Alumnae Ass'n., saw several classmates at the Alumnae Day luncheon: **Vivian Johnson Harries; Harriet Bassett MacGregor; and Fiori Wedekind**. Vivian is building a home on the New Jersey shore. **Jane Keltie** spent a week in Holland, cruised down the Rhine, and explored Switzerland. **Iris Bain Hutchinson** and her husband Jim explored South American cities. Christmas holidays found **Barbara Nash Sullivan** and family in Hawaii and **Fiori Wedekind** in Europe. **Phyllis Hoffman Driscoll** has been busy with the Jr. League, attending their conference at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs. Later this year she and her family will go skiing in Canada. **Nancy Bohman McCormick** championed kindergartens for Albany and has been elected a member of the school board. Nancy, who has always been interested in teaching and education, has a master's degree in music education. Nancy's busy schedule also includes being a founding member of the Albany LWV and area representative for education in the AAUW. The New York Times Book Section had a review of **Beverly Benenson Gasner's** book, *Girls' Rules* and describes Bev's writings as witty and intelligent.



*Beverly Benenson Gasner '51; author of Girls' Rules*



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**1952** Correspondent:

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It is with deep sympathy we report the accidental death of Boris Burack, husband of **Ann Busker Burack**, in October 1968.

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**1953** Correspondent:

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Life for **Ann Gordon Steele** continues to be very busy in Pittsburgh with their growing family: Allison in 6th grade, Paul 4th grade and Gordon 2nd grade. **Aleeta Engelbert Pierce** in Minneapolis writes that last year, as her husband was coach of a Peewee hockey team which made the national tournament in Los Angeles, they took their three children, Sandy 13, Buzz 7 and Lisa 4, and had a wonderful trip, including Disneyland and San Diego after the tournament. In the fall Aleeta took her mother to Chicago for a few days and had a luncheon date with **Joan Schaal Oliver**. **Sally B. Zellers Wallace** and her family are looking forward to another skiing winter in Vermont. Sally B. and Lee enjoyed a visit with **Caroline (Woofie) Sparks Shaffer** and her husband during the Thanksgiving holidays.

The class extends its deep sympathy to **Katharine (Kit) Gardner Bryant** on the death of her father this past year. Our deep sympathy also goes to **Susan Manley Price** on the death of her mother, **Nathalie Benson Manley '27**, and to **Aleeta Engelbert Pierce** on the death of her father.

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**1955** Correspondent:

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BORN: to J. Marvin and **Carol Hilton Reynolds** a son, Hugh Hilton, on June 14; to Ralph and **Shirley Smith Earle** a third child, first son, Ralph III, on Sept. 8.

**Constance Weymouth Hackney** keeps busy with her three adopted cherubs, son 6½, daughters 4 and 2½. Car pools and golf are her hobbies, with mental retardation and children's aid societies her favorite charities. **Carole Chapin Aiken**, Dick, Alison 10 and Andy 8 left their Truro, Cape Cod, home in November to live in Europe until August. Dick is on sabbatical leave from St. Paul's School for one year. They will be traveling thru southern Europe including Greece where Dick plans to join an archeological dig.

**Judith (Penny) Pennypacker Goodwin** substitute teaches and gives piano lessons. Rob 10 and Jeff 8 who were in Little League are now in Basketball League which Wes coaches and Cub Scouts where Wes is Committee Chairman. Penny is busy with Karen 7 in Bluebirds and in PTA and church work. **Sally Ann Tate Richmond** keeps busy with Elizabeth 4 and Sarah 2 and redoing a 45-year-old house. She and **Dorothy Hinsch Carlen** enjoy mini-reunions. Newcomers to Denver, Colo., are Dan and **Carolyn Remmers Peterson**, Sarah, 6, Danny 4 and Mary 2. Dan, just promoted to Medical Electronics Specialist for his company, covers the enormous area of nearly everything from the Mississippi to the West Coast and is home only on weekends. Carolyn, once again in a new home, is in the throes of carpeting, draping and decorating. **Katherine Lyon Mell**, Don, Donny 6½ and Elizabeth 20 mos. are new residents of Wilmington, Del. Don changed from teaching at Middlebury College to the Univ. of Delaware so that he could also teach graduate school. Kay is busy as a member of the Jr. League and LWV studying China. **Lois Bassett Fons** and family live in a Dutch colonial home in Bedford, N.H., just outside of Manchester where Stan works as a radiologist at the Elliot Hospital. Lois is busy with the house, Paul 9, Gail 6, and doing volunteer work at the school library and hospital. **Polly Moffette Root** writes that life is good in Libertyville, Ill., a suburb of Chicago. Bob is plant manager of a SEM plant there and Polly is teaching 6th, 7th and 8th grade science at the local school which their children 10, 8 and 7 attend. They all look forward to sailing on Lake Michigan. **Dona Bernard Jensen** is getting settled in her new home in Villanova, Pa. and getting accustomed to the urban sprawl after small town life. Hal is assistant vice-president, real estate, for the Penn. Central trying to develop RR property no longer needed to operate the RR. Dona is occupied with Girl Scouts and Brownies. She and **Jane Lyon LeRoy** are working together on their area Conn. College Club's annual March cocktail party. Jane's husband Blair has joined a partnership of three internal medicine-allergy specialists at Bryn Mawr Hospital where he has been in private practice for four years. Their daughters are 10, 8, 6 and 4, which means new mobility. Thus last summer Jane taught swimming at two black-white church-sponsored day camps and played tennis daily at Haverford Tennis Club, being in their women's and mixed doubles tournaments. The LeRays recommend Chautauqua, N.Y. for a marvelous vacation.



**Cynthia Myers Young, Gail Andersen Meyers** and I had a mini-reunion last spring prior to Cynnie's departure for Europe to join husband Avery, who is commanding officer of the nuclear submarine, Henry Clay. With pad in hand, Cynnie toured the cathedrals and art galleries of Paris, London, Rome and Munich. She was one of three artists to be in the opening art show at the Charleston Navy Base Officers Club. Cynthia, who

has won prizes for her watercolors in Connecticut and Virginia, received an honorable mention and a purchase prize for two entries in the 1969 annual South Carolina Artists Ass'n exhibit. For Elmer (Twig) and me, life is good in Chatham, N.J. Twig has his own insurance agency in neighboring Madison. He is municipal chairman of the Republican County Committee, among other things, and was extra busy last fall. I feel like the average housewife with children, Lisa 11, Cindy 10, Bill 7, and boxer dog, Woody. As a member of the Jr. League, I work at the Nature Center of the Great Swamp, taking school children on tours. I also enjoy hospital work and a kindergarten Sunday school class. We are smitten with Cape Cod for family vacations and the Tides Inn, in Virginia, for our second honeymoons.

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BORN: to William and **Elaine Vardakas Rallis** a third daughter, Pamela on Aug. 11; to Robert and **Helene Zimmer Loew** a son, David H. on June 9; to Robert and **Penelope Howland Cambier** a son, Keith William, on August 7; to John and **Carolyn (Caco) Myers Baillon** a fifth child, third daughter.

**Lynn Twinem Gorman** and Paul passed their third Christmas in Italy where they now live. In spite of Paul's busy schedule, they have managed to tour Holland, Denmark and Austria. Children Bob and Nancy are in school and can be described as real natives. Paul and **Karen Klein Mannes** took time out last fall for a trip to Dartmouth for an Alumni Council Meeting and saw the early snows. **Carol Dana Lanham** and Dick are in California where he is in his 4th year of teaching at UCLA. Carol received her M.A. in June and has decided to continue for a Ph.D., probably specializing in Latin philology. They spent part of last summer in Greece and Crete and then settled outside London from August to December when they returned home. Carol joined an archeological dig while in Greece. Our next reunion chairman, **Judith Harit Acker**, and Al managed to leave Bruce and Joffrey for a quick trip to Michigan and a visit to Dartmouth for Al's reunion weekend. Judy is, even now, formulating her plans for June of 1973. In mid-November, Tim and **Marilynn Crawford Flood** left on a tour of California and Mexico. Last January they settled into their newly purchased "lovely old house" in Pitts-



burgh, Pa. Buddy and **Jeri Fluegelman Josephson** were in St. Moritz for the winter skiing and then on through Europe. Jeri, now a part-time travel agent, was thrilled at all the new places they saw in their travels but the most exciting moment was returning home to Andrea and Stephen. Doug and **Lynn Post Northrop** rented a large home outside London and lived there from January to June '68 while Doug worked at the museum. They were quite impressed with England, especially the school system for Christopher and Jennifer. Timothy 3 and Greg 16 months remained close to mother at home. The place will be Alaska this summer for Bob and **Suzanne Krim Greene**. Their personal vacation excursions into the conservation wilderness regions of North America offer exciting adventure tales for rapt listeners. Sue is still with IBM and is busily touring the U.S. attending conferences. Last December she went to California as a representative. Pat and **Sandra Jellinghaus McClellan** with daughter Michelle spent Christmas in Hawaii with Pat's sister's family. Pat is pleased with his new medical office building which was completed last spring. Sandy found an exciting challenge in working as a volunteer in the elementary schools with children who have reading problems. **Elaine Diamond Berman** took time off from Andy, Cindy and Tommy to return to school one evening each week and to begin credits for a master's degree. In November they journeyed to Connecticut to help celebrate Bob and **Elaine Manasevit Friedman's** tenth anniversary. **Penny Howland Cambier** and Bob recently purchased a new town house in the historical Society Hill section of Philadelphia—just two streets from Independence Hall.

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**MARRIED:** Catherine Dale Curtice to Douglas Clendenin Horner on Dec. 6.  
**BORN:** to Edward and **Ann Mary Potter Kapusta** a son, Philip Edward, on Sept. 4; to Chuck and **Lucy Allen Separk** a second daughter, Susan Alice, on Sept. 20; to Floyd and **Holly Wrampelmeir White** a sixth child, fifth son, Michael Patrick, on July 27; to William and **Ann German Dobbs** a fourth child, first daughter, Kristen, on June 6; to Stephen and **Edith Berkowitz Hargreaves** a second daughter, Caroline Elisabeth, on Oct. 8, '67; to Owen and **Margaret Wellford Tabor** a fourth child, second son, Alexander Wellford, on Sept. 13; to Donald and **Marna Leerburger Biederman** a second child, first daughter, Melissa Anne, on June 26; to Ian and **Jean McCarthy Marshall** a sec-

ond daughter, Rebecca Margaret Eleanor, on Dec. 30, '67; to Don and **Harriet Good Swenson** a third child, second son, Peter Nils, on Nov. 24; to Robert and **Marion Friedman Adler** a third son, Mark Bramson, on New Year's Day '69.

**ADOPTED:** by Charles and **Julie Solmsen Steedman** a second child, first son, Nicholas Solmsen, in July.

**Edie Berkowitz Hargreaves** is living in an old English village of Dulwich, five miles from London. She is doing medical social work which includes teaching medical, nursing and social work students one day a week. Her husband now works as manager of educational services for Esso which means that he is a liaison between the company and the universities. Edie got back to the States this summer, as did **Ann Seidel Craig**. Ann and family spent two months in Florida, California and the Northeast. Previously they had a sojourn sans children in the Philippines, seeing Manila and the countryside; and a trip to Japan for a ship launching in Osaka. Ann writes that the Communist disturbances of '67 in Hong Kong are almost forgotten and the resilient people are back to their main occupation of making money. Tripp, their oldest son, is in kindergarten and Jeff in nursery school. Scott, now 2, is talking in recognizable English and Cantonese. Ann has taken up Japanese flower arranging and Chinese cooking. Chuck has been trying photography—with a picture in Chase Manhattan's ad in *Business Week*.

**Jean MacCarthy Marshall's** husband is an architect and has a partnership in a small architectural practice, although he still does some work in Africa from whence he hails. They have built themselves a house in the center of Edinburgh and have lived there the past two years. Jean is working part-time in the Planning Research Unit at Edinburgh Univ., applying computer mapping techniques to some of our planning problems. Daughter Jessie 4 is in morning Corporation Nursery School. Last summer they had a holiday in the Dordogne region of France which resulted in Ian's designing their Christmas card. New Zealand is having summer and **Anne Earnshaw Roche** is going to the beach. David 5 is doing very well in school, and Martha 3 is in Play Center. Anne and John have been busy finishing an extension to their house to which they added another bedroom and breakfast nook. **Judith Eichelberger Gruner** has been in Latin America for seven years and in Lima, Peru, for three and a half. Liz 6 is in 1st grade and Suzie 3½ in nursery school. Judy has been working in a "charriada," a slum, this past year. She works in a children's clinic which is one tiny room, where a Peruvian pediatrician treats children two mornings a week. Jay and Judy have travelled extensively, and they have only the jungle left to see. Little League and Cub Scouts keep **Ann German Dobbs** busy. **Constance Snelling McCreery** has been finishing her MA in guidance and playing tennis to relax. Mrs. Griswold (Mrs. Gris) is now a great grandma and still keeps up with the KB girls through the News. **Miriam (Mimsy) Matthews Munro** met **Carolyn Graves Mitchell** when

their children took swimming lessons at the same place. Mimsy plans to start to teach swimming to retarded children soon. Her son is now in kindergarten; her daughter is 3. **Gail Glidden Goodell** has adapted to living in an Illinois village of 2000. She is on a committee to found a library which will be in a wing of the new village hall Everett Dirksen helped to dedicate. Gail currently is working full time in her husband's office, filling in for the regular secretary. Her husband's work with B.F. Goodrich means travelling in Indiana, Iowa and Illinois. This summer the family visited in Massachusetts and Connecticut and then to a cottage on Lake Winnepesaukee. **Marna Leerberger Biederman** keeps busy with her son 4 and the new baby. Her husband is ass't corporation counsel for NYC but is returning to private practice soon. **Elizabeth Peck Foot** is still living in Minnetonka with her family: Ted, superintendent of schools; Jonathan in 1st grade; and Elizabeth in nursery school. They got in a lot of sailing last summer. Taking over for **Marion Friedman Adler** in AAGP is **Barbara Quinn Flynn**. **Catherine Curtice Horner's** husband is a graduate of Stanford and a senior partner in the investment firm of Shuman-Agnew and Co. in San Francisco. The newly married couple went on a cruise to the West Indies, after which they will reside in San Francisco.

#### REUNION IS SCHEDULED FOR

JUNE 13, 14, 15

#### DON'T MISS IT! IT'S OUR TENTH!

Is it possible that our striped college scarves and polo coats are over ten years old and should be retired—that our hair is beginning to gray—that we're all over thirty—that some of us have children 8 years old—that we're part of the Establishment and the older generation—that we can remember compulsory chapel, Amalgo, no boys in rooms or in classes? Many letters indicate the senders hope to be able to join all '59ers in New London in June. Cleveland hopes to send a contingent. Let's catch up with everyone and reminisce!

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#### 1961 Correspondent:

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**MARRIED:** Jill Manes to Robert Rosen on June 17, '67; **Dorothy Cleaveland** to Helmut Paul Svoboda on July 6 in Vienna, Austria.

**BORN:** to Vincent and **Annemarie Harden Obsitnik** a third son, Stephen, on May 7, '67; to Thomas and **Gretchen Straub Russell** a daughter, Julia Straub, on July 7, '67; to Arnold and **Linda Schlereth Lieber** a third child, first son, Marshall Mark, on Jan. 5, '68; to Paul and **Susan Kislak Schulman** a daughter, Heidi Lynn, on Apr. 15, '68; to Thomas and **Linda McCormick Forrestal** a fourth child, first daughter, Jennifer Ellen, on Apr. 19, '68; to John



and Cheryl Cushing Campbell a second child, first son, John Robert III, on May 3; to Edward and Ellin Taylor Valvernack a daughter, Linda, on June 11; to Richard and Susan Snyder O'Neill a fourth child, first daughter, Debra Ruth, on Sept. 12; to Kent and Sallie Morris Collins a third son, C. Walker, on Sept. 14; to Darrell and Susan Shestack Zander a second child, first son, Joshua Alan, on Sept. 24; to Clark and Nancy Cozier Whitcomb a second daughter, Julia Curtis, on Oct. 18.

In addition to caring for four children, Ann Brown Elliott is a part-time bowling tournament director in Webster, N.Y. She helps coach 250 children who participate in the junior bowling program there. Sue Kislak Schulman is director of volunteers at Norwalk Hospital. Her interests include tennis and antiques. For the second year Hester Hellebush is teaching in a boys' independent school in New York. In addition, she is doing volunteer work at City Hall, Mayor Lindsay's Action Center, and is taking courses at New York School of Interior Design. Sally Foote Martin has temporarily retired from teaching to write for a textbook series by the American Sociological Ass'n. After 18 months in Hong Kong, John and Janice Hall McEwan have settled in Brookfield Center, Conn. John is flying 707's for Pan American out of JFK Airport. The highlight of their stay in the Far East was a two week trip to Nepal where they actually hiked over trails which are still trade routes between Tibet and Nepal. Tom and Linda McCormick Forrestal have moved to Livonia, Mich. a result of Tom's transfer to Parker-Hannifin's Cylinder Division plant in Plymouth. Cheryl Cushing Campbell is busy with her new home and baby in Short Hills, N.J. She is on the Jr. League nominating committee, and is the ass't chairman of their projects singing group. Linda Travis Arterburn is currently serving as president of the Cleveland Alumnae Club whose recent fund-raising dinner was a huge success. Patricia Fleming is assistant professor of student personnel, doing college counseling at Queens College, City Univ. of N.Y. She is continuing her research interest in the antecedents of schizophrenia. Now living in San Antonio, Tex., are Ed and Linda Bowen Sorenson. Ed is serving in the Army as a physician at Ft. Sam Houston, teaching psychiatry at the medical field service school. Wilma (Lee) White Graham's activities include substitute teaching at Bolton Jr.-Sr. High School and acting as 2nd vice president of the Conn. College Club of Hartford. She was Christmas pageant director and nursery chairman for her church. Leigh Davidson Sherrill is enjoying horseback riding in the lovely Missouri countryside. She teaches Senior High Sunday School, is in the LWV, and is a provisional member of the Jr. League. Before her marriage Jill Manes Rosen was a textile stylist. She is now busy at home with her son Ross, 5 months old.

As a Jr. League project, Sallie Morris Collins spent the summer refurbishing an old farmhouse for use as a center for Dayton, Ohio's new Cox Arboretum. Naudain Larsen Luce is teaching social studies in high school. She and her husband

George have three children, Elizabeth 7, George Jr. 6, and Lawrence Robert 5 mos. Dain visited Conn. in October with Helen Jannerfeldt Rubinstein who is living in NYC for a year while her husband does research at N.Y.U. Helen also visited Ellin Taylor Valvernack in Riverside, Conn. Ellin finished teaching German at Iona College two days before the birth of her daughter. Marion Hauck Robbins spent the summer getting settled in her new home in Washington, D.C. and entertaining her family from Caracas, Venezuela. In February she will visit Caracas with her children. Eileen Rem is now living in Tokyo, Japan, and will teach at the American School (English) for two years. In addition to teaching nursery school, Margaret Moyer Bennett is serving as president of the Westchester Ass'n for Nursery Education in Pelham, N.Y. She is secretary of the Conn. College Club and does hospital volunteer work. Madeline Santos Radziminski is busy decorating her home in Champaign, Ill. while husband Jim is teaching and doing research at the Univ. of Illinois. Susan Snyder O'Neill is assistant to the director of the Tobacco and Health Research Program at the Univ. of Kentucky. She took up playing field hockey last fall. Since receiving her master's last June, Eugenia Lombard has been working part-time as secretary to three professors at Wheaton Graduate School. She also teaches four courses there, one in practice teaching. Ann Harwick Lewis is living in Bowie, Md. where her husband Jack is a Lt. Cmdr. in the Coast Guard and her oldest son attends a Montessori School. Marjorie Stein Gable's activities include tennis, an art course at the Barnes Foundation in Philadelphia, and the United Fund. For the past four years Darrell and Susan Shestack Zander have been living in Caracas, Venezuela. Darrell is now in business for himself there, making distribution transformers under license of Allis-Chalmers in the U.S. She reports that Caracas is a marvelous place to raise children. They all love the climate and her daughter Laura speaks Spanish like a native. Sue has been teaching Spanish to Americans and acting as part-time secretary to Darrell. She has also taken courses through the Venezuelan American Ass'n of Univ. Women. For the past year Robin Foster Spaulding has been serving as volunteer chairman and coordinator of a school volunteer program in Worcester, Mass. She has enjoyed being a resource for the State Dept. of Education in Massachusetts in reference to the volunteers. In June 1968 this program was covered in LIFE Magazine. Robin's oldest son, Brookie, is in 1st grade, her daughter Kim in nursery school, and 18-month old Whitney into everything. Martha Guida Young is enjoying the Navy wives singing group and does Red Cross volunteer work every week in Newport News, Va. She is treasurer of the newly formed Officers' Wives Club and has rejoined AAUW. Her husband John is project officer for surface ships under construction at Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock. Arnold and Linda Schlereth Lieber have moved to Miami, Fla. where Al is a resident in radiology.

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MARRIED: Elana Brown Garrels to Lt. William Gwynn Anderson on Oct. 19; Jo Ann Patnode to Peter Hall Harris in June; Carol Dahlberg to Eugene B. Lucas on Aug. 24.

BORN: to Bruce and Karin Johnson Dehlin a daughter, Lori Christine, on June 12; to Lyle and Betty Ostendarp Johnson a daughter, Nicole Elizabeth, on Jan. 12, '68; to Lt. Joseph and Nancy Allen Waterfill a daughter, Julia Mills, on July 12; to Robert and Rebecca Holmes Post a son, David, in September '67; to Norman and Cynthia Pearson Berg a second son, Eric, on Aug. 31; to Howard and Carolyn Winters McMichael a second child, Heather, in October; to Peter and Deborah Morris Ross a daughter, Charlotte Louise, in January '68; to Klaus and Lily Russell Heiliger a daughter, Alice, in August.

After leaving Connecticut in 1961, Cynthia Nichols Travers married husband John and finished her B.A. at Washington Univ. in St. Louis while John was studying architecture. For three years the Traverses have been living in London where Cynthia has been enjoying the city and John working as an architect for the British government. A wedding shower given by Elizabeth Bartlett McGinnis last August for Carol Dahlberg Lucas brought a number of '63ers together. Elizabeth Bartlett McGinnis and her husband are living in New York where Liz is a stockbroker with Harris, Upham and Co. Carol Dahlberg Lucas is continuing to work after her marriage as a fiduciary accountant with Sullivan & Cromwell in NYC. Betty Ostendarp Johnson and her husband Lyle have bought a home in Port Washington, N.Y. Betty is studying interior decorating. Bing and Marcia Buerger Carlson now have two daughters, Kimberly 3 and Cathy 1. Marcy and Bing have built a colonial home in Bedford Village, N.Y. and are doing all the interior decorating and refurbishing themselves. Marcy received her A.M. in remedial reading last year and does substitute teaching occasionally. John and Nancy Schoepfer Sanders still live in West Hartford, Conn. where John is with Aetna Life Insurance Co. Nancy is doing some tutoring at home in the time that son Johnny 2 does not claim as his. Glenn and Marie Hawley Luft had a trip to Japan this summer. In August of 1967 Bob and Rebecca Holmes Post moved to Portland, Ore. where Bob started a practice in orthopedics. Becky had a post card from Jo Lindseth Busser and Carolyn Jones Shorer from Thailand. Jo and her husband travelled to Thailand in connection with Bob's work as an ar-



chitect. **Sally Hobson** is working on her Ph.D. at Columbia. Her dissertation is in the dept. of psychology. **Caroline Osborne** has taken a position with the California Canners and Growers in San Francisco as advertising and promotion assistant. Linda was formerly working as a copy writer with McCann-Erikson, Inc. Dale and **Marcia Rygh Phillips** are living in Waynesboro, Va. Marcia is teaching while Dale completes his education. **Barbara McMillan** took time off from her position as an admissions officer and student advisor at American University in Washington, D.C. to take a trip this summer to the home of her ancestors, Scotland.

**Joan Brown Herrmann** has added to her already full schedule by taking on a part-time position as a buyer in a North Shore department store. When last heard from, Joannie was off on a buying trip to NYC where she is certain to run into **Ann Mason Parr** in the garment district. Ann is now the exclusive buyer for six or so specialty shops around the country. Klaus and **Lily Russell Heiliger** paid a short

holiday visit to Massachusetts, bringing with them from Brussels their new baby daughter, Alice. Michael and **Amy Glassner Gordon** have both been appointed instructors in the history dept. at Denison Univ. in Granville, Ohio. Amy taught last year at CCNY. After a short time in New Jersey, Jim and **Diane Lewis Gately** have been transferred by Prudential Insurance, and are now living in Sherman Oaks, Calif. just outside of Los Angeles. The last word from **Anne Ryan** was that she is living in Paris and loving it. **Catherine Rowe Snow's** husband Steve has spent about a year on a submarine off the coast of Vietnam. Cathy has been living with her parents in Scarsdale. Norm and **Cynthia Pearson Berg** are still in Cambridge, although as their family grows, they are thinking of looking for a house outside the city. Until the birth of her second son, Cynthia had been active with the Cambridge LWV and taking an occasional course at Harvard. **Anne Partington** is living in Cleveland and is currently occupied raising collie dogs for show.

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## IN MEMORY OF:

**Beatrice Fox Auerbach**, whose death on November 29, 1968 was noted with regret by her many friends. President of G. Fox and Company in Hartford for almost thirty years, Mrs. Auerbach will be remembered for her energy, thoughtfulness, and her ability to implement new ideas. She supported for many years the Auerbach Plan at Connecticut College, an economics major that included professional experience at G. Fox and Company. While studying for a liberal arts degree, students in this major received excellent training for a career in merchandising after graduation. Auerbach majors will remember her with affection, as do all those members of the College community who were privileged to know her.

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**N. Louise Chase**, manager of the Connecticut College Bookshop from 1931 to 1952, who died on January 23, 1969. Under her able direction, a small basement room in Blackstone grew into a bookshop of distinction, and became an important part of the college's cultural life. Whether they came to purchase or only to browse, all were greeted cordially and encouraged to linger. Miss Chase was a friend to many writers including Robert Frost. After retiring from Connecticut, she devoted her time to collecting and editing the letters of her father, Charles Monroe Chase. Mr. Chase's experiences during the Civil War, and as a newspaper publisher, made these documents historically important.

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