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THE NEW FUNDS DRIVE AND OUTSIDERS

THE NEW FUNDS COMMITTEE plans to solicit gifts for Pasadena Branch among "outsiders," and the names of prospective donors have begun to come in from the scattered Telluride associates.

In addition to solicitation among Association members, alumni, and families, the Committee expects to send information to several hundred individuals who probably are at present unfamiliar with the purpose and work of the Association. Our only fund-raising experience with "outsiders" was in connection with the Burr Fund, and in that campaign the gifts of those unknown to us made a substantial portion of the fund. The purpose of the Association and its reputation at the end of its first forty years are such that the Committee feels encouraged over its plan to work with individuals outside the Telluride family.

The Committee expects each Telluride associate to send to the New Funds Committee, Telluride Association, Ithaca, the names of men and women who may be possible donors to the Pasadena Branch project. Special information is being prepared to send to these people, and the Committee plans a mailing date in early November. Prompt attention to the call of the Committee for names is essential to the plan.

When the names and addresses of prospective donors are sent to the Committee, some detailed information will be useful in helping to make plans for a suitable approach. The Committee should know something about the individual's education, profession, age, religious affiliation, clubs and avocations, family, political and social point of view, and brief remarks on disposition and personality would be useful. The individuals need not be wealthy; the Committee would prefer a 10-dollar bill from each of 1,000 men and women to a check for \$10,000 from an individual.

Three names from each reader of this issue of the News Letter will give your New Funds Committee almost three thousand additional prospective donors. Send in your list of donors at once.

IMPRESSIONS OF DEEP SPRINGS By DEAN GEORGE H. SABINE

The Editor of the News Letter has asked me to set down a few of the impressions produced by a year's residence and teaching at Deep Springs. This I am glad to do, since my experience at the School was deeply interesting and my impressions were on the whole both agreeable and favorable.

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EDUCATION IS PIONEERING By CLARENCE H. YARROW

One of the secrets of education is the maintenance of a proper balance between the new and the established. Since education is concerned with individual growth, it must necessarily involve a new start for every individual. A new school has the quality of freshness which appeals to the individual, but the process of establishment is a process of eliminating fresh starts in favor of stabilization. The great danger of a successful school is that its educational impetus becomes encrusted with institutional devices which aim to perpetuate it whether any education is going on or not. In a conversation this past summer, an educator commented to me that when an educational project becomes an institution it ceases to educate. Within the extremities of this statement, there is much truth.

The values of pioneering effort have been amply demonstrated at Pasadena Branch. This is not because of any originality in the enterprise, for we have consciously tried to follow past patterns of Telluride and Deep Springs experience. The important quality of the pioneer is not that he is doing something highly original; it is rather that he is off on his own with little support from established institutions. So at Pasadena Branch each student has the sense that the program depends upon him, and in a very real degree it succeeds or fails as his efforts measure up. Student initiative and responsibility are not just aims set forth in our brochure; they are essential to the survival of the project. I could cite case after case of students who have come to us expecting to ride easily along on established patterns, reserving the right to protest now and then. Instead they have found that it was up to them to set the pattern. There is some floundering and considerable dismay at first, but it is remarkable how rapidly seventeen- and eighteen-year olds gain the necessary maturity to cope with a new and different situation.

The enthusiasm and leadership engendered by this immediacy of responsibility made an impression at Convention. It showed, I believe, that the Association itself needs a project like Pasadena Branch to furnish a new impetus for thought and growth.

A rigid application of the principle, "no education unless new" might indicate a dim future for a school that is reaching the great age of three years! Yet a place like Pasadena Branch has a good chance of avoiding the rigidity and stagnation which forces students in many colleges to secure an education in spite of the institutional forms rather than because of them. Our program is comprised of several elements, such as work, study, group life, which can be arranged in different ways. We can see

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EDITORIAL

One consequence of our decision to campaign actively for more current income is that most active members of Telluride Association have been talking (persuasively, it is to be hoped) face to face with one or more of our alumni and friends. This is an unaccustomed kind of hard work on behalf of our trusteeship. It is also mildly exhilarating. We are presenting our present situation as clearly as we can. We need to relate it constantly to the long tradition of experiment from which our education has derived benefit and on which we have built.

Each generation of active members of Telluride Association inherits a great body of lore and principle, and a number of problems. Mr. Nunn, who was the source not only of our substance but also of the leading statements of principle which direct our enterprises, has been drawn for us as a personality through his writings and through the record of his extraordinary actions and of his extraordinary belief in the young. Each generation absorbs this tradition and adapts it to concrete policies.

As for our problems, two are permanent: as an organization, to act in practical application of our constitution; as individuals, to come to a successful accounting with our idealism in what we are doing. The first can be tested in part by results--the record of our active Branches, the competence of our Conventions, and our financial stewardship give some objective evidence. The second is more important and is the real record of what we are good for. There is no test for it except in lives and persons.

Right now we are giving more in work and persuasion than we are accustomed to do, and we are getting ideas and criticism and interest. Opportunities for this sort of interchange are made, not born. For a number of reasons, they have been all too infrequent. Greater continuity of interest and ideas, and more substantial contact between the generations of Telluride-educated men, would have positive educational results. Each man's view of our tradition and his version of our significant ideas is peculiarly important because it is a compound of his early experience and his later judgment of what he could do with our principles in his own way.

The last Convention of Telluride Association occupied itself in part with finding workable channels for this contact and contin-

uity. Our publications are probably the most important informative aid. Our meetings in various cities add sociability to information. By giving special encouragement to a number of alumni to gather for a week-end at Cornell Branch, we hope to make a good occasion for informal contact and for renewal of old friendships among men who were contemporaries in former years and some of them at earlier branches.

Other things could be done and should be done. The very considerable accumulation of abilities and strong characters is a scatter of many ages and many places. What can be done among these men in the cause of helpful contact (and sheer sociability, for which there is much to be said) will depend on their suggestion.

F. E. Balderston

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 President
 Telluride Association

NEW FUNDS REPORT

As of October 17, the New Funds Drive undertaken to increase our operating income has resulted in financial support of the Association to the extent of \$3,476.20 contributed or subscribed from members, alumni, parents, associates and former faculty and student guests of Cornell Branch.

With cash running to \$1,792.20 and pledges outstanding at \$1,684, this total represents 34.8% of our goal of \$10,000, the figure decided upon by the 1949 Convention as requisite for the continuance of Pasadena Branch.

In all, the New Funds Committee, has recorded 98 donors. Of these, two have pledged or remitted \$250, one \$200, one \$150 and nine \$100. The average pledge or contribution to date is \$35.47.

These promising results are only initial since many areas are as yet unreported. Philadelphia with 142% and Washington with 114% have both exceeded their respective quotas. The successful experience in these cities has indicated that genuine enthusiasm for Pasadena Branch may be expected after its program is described and individual questions answered.

The News Letter is run on contributions from the interested T. A. men and friends of the Association who read it. And donations, large or small, will be appreciated and may be sent to:

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PASADENA BRANCH NOTES

By CHARLES CHRISTENSON

Pasadena Branch opened its fall study term on 1 October 1949 with an enrollment of fifteen, largest in the history of the Branch. With eight new men entering, the personnel of the Branch is considerably changed, and a shift in interests from the social to the natural and physical sciences is quite evident. The new members of the Student Body are Curtis Baker, Detroit, Michigan; Robert A. Ely, Rutherford, New Jersey; Harold Fishman, Brooklyn, New York; Manfred Kory, Los Angeles, California; Allan W. Lyons, Richmond Hill, New York; Jordon L. Pecile, Hazleton, Pennsylvania; Richard Ruopp, Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Robert J. Wright, Detroit, Michigan.

The faculty also showed some new faces, although most members were familiar to the older Branchmen. Director Mike Yarrow is again conducting an introductory course in introductory economics. Edwin A. Sanders, director of adult education for Pacific Oaks, has a course in English literature. Charles Van Laar, former owner and director of a language preparatory school in France, will again present beginning languages, with Kurt and Alice Bergel back for a third semester, this time teaching advanced languages. Edwin C. Morgenroth, teaching psychology, is the former director of Pacific Oaks Nursery School, and present director Evangeline Burgess is conducting a nursery school laboratory in connection with the psychology course.

Newcomers to the faculty include William Hitchcock of UCLA, who is teaching a course in history of the renaissance and reformation. Herold Lillywhite comes from Whittier College weekly to conduct a public speaking program. Baruch Klein, of the Fine Arts Conservatory in Los Angeles, instructs a course in the history of music, and Associate Director C.H. Cleminshaw of the Griffith Observatory is teaching a course in descriptive astronomy.

A second factor contributing to an apparent change in the direction of the Branch is the almost complete severance from Pacific Oaks. California Street House is now occupied exclusively by the Telluride group, excepting two back rooms used in the mornings by the nursery school. Aside from the Telluride group, only six people are living on the Pacific Oaks property, most of these being teachers. This group has its meals at LaLoma House, instead of with the Telluride group as before. The Branch will move from Pacific Oaks entirely next June, provided the current fund drive is successful, and Mike Yarrow and a Student Body committee will look for new locations during the year.

With the change in relationship to Pacific Oaks, Pasadena Branch has hired its own cook, Mrs. Marie Cooper, who began work coincidentally with the start of the study term on 3 October.

One of the first items of business disposed of after the group returned was the election of officers for the fall term. At the meeting of 5 October, summertime chairman Charles Christenson was reelected to another

term. Taylor Sloan was elected vice-chairman and Manfred Kory secretary.

In connection with the funds drive, a dinner meeting of several Telluride alumni in the Los Angeles area was held at the Branch on 11 October. The group, consisting of Los Angeles area chairman Tupper Turner, R. G. McKelvey of the Branch Advisory Committee, Carl G. Allen Jr., and J. J. Nunn Jr., discussed problems relating to the drive and to the future of the Branch if it is continued. One major decision to come from the meeting called for an area dinner to be scheduled in the near future.

The summer work term was spent away from Pasadena, a scheme which the Branch intends to employ every fourth work term. Two of the men worked in hospitals; one was an elevator operator on Manhattan; another worked in a New York settlement. One was with a little theatre group in New Mexico; one worked in the Ithaca office of Telluride Association on the funds drive. Director Yarrow took advantage of the dispersal of the Student Body to engage in his own work program; he directed a work camp on a Hopi Indian reservation in Northern Arizona.

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now many avenues for exploration which should keep the Branch vital for years to come. In the work program, we have only begun to outline the proper relationship of Branch to employers and a whole new area of managing; our own business is yet to be explored. In the study program there is still much to be done in discovering the proper combination of survey course and intensive study, class discussion and individual research, general study and specialization. The problem of correlating job experiences with study experiences remains largely for the future. These problems can be tackled by a small group much more readily than a large one, because it is more flexible and also because it is more intimate.

This last factor of intimacy is a very important one and can be better understood if we glance at what the sociologists say regarding the "primary group". A primary group is defined as an association of persons with relatively unspecialized, intimate and enduring relations. The family, the gang, the erstwhile neighborhood come immediately to mind. Secondary groups are generally larger and certainly less intimate. Individuals are involved in a particular function or role rather than as a whole person. It is in the primary groups that basic reactions of loyalty, responsibility, sensitivity are developed and concepts of freedom, truth, and fairness are experienced. Sociologists have suggested that many of the ills of emotional security which obsess our society are traceable to the diminishing part played by primary groups.

College educators have tended to ignore these fundamental facts of character development. Some are only now beginning to wake up to find that the real education in a large university or small college is going on in

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DEEP SPRINGS NOTES

By CURTIS M. KARPLUS

Many observers have expressed concern at the news that there are only seventeen students at Deep Springs this fall. With almost half the semester over, it appears that this reduction has not been as damaging as was feared.

The Student Body's burden of work has not been appreciably increased. Additional workers have been hired without hesitation to augment the four-man general work crew on most of the larger projects. With the help of two carpenters the highly praised refurbishment of the main building has finally been completed, and such jobs as rewiring most of the buildings and repairing the water filtration system are being handled entirely by hired professionals.

Only in a long-range analysis of the situation does one sense the possible ill effects of a shrinking Student Body. Attention is again focused on student responsibility.

It is highly alarming to many of us to see the operation of Deep Springs slip further and further away from student control. While the hiring of laborers may save us from becoming overburdened with work, it deprives us of something valuable—the close contact which only a direct participation in the planning and carrying out of these projects can give us. Without this contact it is impossible to maintain the sense of responsibility which is the essence of our "beneficial ownership." Whenever someone else does our work we sacrifice a portion of responsibility.

Decimation is by no means the only factor which makes it difficult for us to keep in touch with what Deep Springs is doing. The trustees, through the administration, have often been accused of placing undue limitations on the Student Body's role. The proposed expansion of the ranch, discussed in the April Report, would have the same effect. An enlargement of the plant in the face of a contracting Student Body would virtually eliminate our contact with this phase of Deep Springs affairs. These are the tendencies which must be checked if student responsibility is to remain at all meaningful.

As was predicted, this summer's faculty of visiting professors proved to be extremely popular. Our guest this fall is Dr. William M. Sale of Cornell University, who is teaching courses in English Composition and English Fiction, while Mrs. Sale is directing a small tutorial in English History. Bonham Campbell has taken over the Calculus class begun during the summer. Marcel and Carmen Weinreich, now in their last year here as language instructors, and John B. Vanderburgh, who teaches various courses in the social sciences, round out the staff for this semester.

Other noteworthy items include the approval by the trustees of a non-interest-bearing loan of \$1100 to help the newly revised Student Body Treasury get back on solid ground.. the purchase of three Guernseys to supplement our Holstein dairy herd...the overhauling of the trustees' bookkeeping system...and the long-heralded arrival of a waiter for the boarding house.

Student Body Officers for the Fall 1949 Semester: President: Richard A. George. Labor Commissioner: Lee M. Talbot. Advisory Committee: Miles C. Everett, William C. Romell, George Slavik. Chairman, Budget Committee: Curtis M. Karplus. Student Body Trustee: Richard A. George. Chairman, Committee on Applications: Randall Reid.

CORNELL BRANCH NOTES

By ALVIN FRIEDMAN

The Branch began this year with a smooth start when it elected its officers at the second meeting of the semester. Bob Gatje, custodian and long-term Branch resident, was elected President; Jack Sheinkman, beginning his first year at the Law School, was chosen Vice-president; Ed Hoenicke and Rod Robertson were elected treasurer and secretary respectively.

This year's Branch contains a large group of new preferences, 13 in number and almost 50 percent of the entire Branch membership. Of this new group, the pre-medical students have gained the upper hand in numbers. Four of the new students have chosen medicine as their profession. Don Reis, a freshman from Horace Mann High School, has decided to major in zoology. His comrades in science, Mort Weinstein and Jim Bostwick, both from Deep Springs, have also chosen zoology as their major field of study. The remaining pre-medic and new Branch member, Al Friedman, is majoring in chemistry.

John Montgomery and Jack Nachmias, both from Cornell, are majoring in philosophy and psychology respectively. Mike Southall, a graduate student from England, is attending the Business School, and Conrad ter Kuile is a student in the Graduate School majoring in soils.

All but one of the remaining new Branch members spent their first two years of college life at Deep Springs. Only Helmut Boenheim, an English major was a member of Pasadena Branch before coming to Cornell.

The large group of Deep Springers are spread over varied fields of study. Dick Patch will grapple with anthropology during his two years at Cornell, and an allied field, sociology, will receive Robin Harper as a new student. Dave Werdegard will major in philosophy; the last Deep Springs newcomer, Don Lammers, has chosen English literature as his major.

This year the Branch is making a vigorous attempt to sponsor an Alumni Week-end some time in November, probably the fifth or the nineteenth of the month. The date will be set at the convenience of the Alumni guests. Bill Vanden Heuvel, chairman of the Alumni Committee, has indicated that this will be the first of three homecoming week-ends during the year. An attempt will be made to group those Branch Alumni who spent their years at Cornell together. Letters of invitation have already been sent to Branch Alumni invited to the first week-end. This first group will consist of the Constitutional Alumni and members of the Branch until 1920.

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The strength of Deep Springs, and also its difficulties, lie in the peculiarities of its situation, its isolation and the combination of college study with the work-program and the responsibilities that the latter entail. My impression was overwhelming that these peculiarities had in general justified the founder's judgment. The students seemed to me to have achieved a maturity and a degree of responsibility beyond what is usually found or expected in college students of equal age. They rose admirably to the responsibilities set by a winter of exceptional severity.

At the same time the situation undoubtedly creates special problems not shared by more conventional junior colleges. The root of these problems can, in my judgment, be summed up in one word: recruitment. This applies both to the student-body and to the faculty, which are the substance of any college.

On the side of the student-body it is obvious that the whole purpose of Deep Springs depends on recruiting students of more than average ability, both in academic accomplishment and in other personal qualities. This it can do only by well-planned and successful selection. The School must at a minimum give its students as good academic preparation as they would get in other good junior colleges. But to go beyond that minimum it must offer a further inducement, in order to attract the most promising candidates. The unique inducement that Deep Springs has to offer is the prospect of membership in the Telluride Association. The closest cooperation between the School and the Association is a condition of getting the best possible student-body, which in turn is a matter of first-rate importance to the Association.

On the side of the faculty recruitment presents even more difficult problems. An appointment at Deep Springs does not put a teacher upon the conventional line of professional advancement. At best there is likely to be a more rapid turn-over than is ideal. As a matter of policy the School -- both administration and students -- needs to exploit all its possibilities for making its teaching positions as attractive as possible. A high degree of security and a retirement plan such that a teacher can take his equity with him when he leaves are clearly indicated. On the other hand, the School has evident advantages in the connections that enable it to attract temporary teachers, and those too should be exploited.

Temporary teachers, however, are a supplement, and their usefulness depends largely on permanent staff. It is quite definitely my impression that the School now needs a larger resident faculty, offering basic work in English, mathematics, and science, to supplement the work in history and language now available. The courses in these subjects, which every good college demands of students who seek admission to the junior year, ought to be regularly available and can, in my judgment, be most effectively given by teachers permanently in residence.

The brunt of these recruitment problems now falls upon the Director, together with all the problems of current management, both of academic program and of plant. I set a high estimate on the success obtained, but in their totality these burdens are clearly more than one man ought to be asked to shoulder. It is neither wise nor reasonable to expect one man to hold the School together and assume so much responsibility for its success.

Over a period of thirty years Deep Springs has made an enviable record in the students it has trained. The place that it holds in the memories of its alumni is a witness to its success. Its fourth decade, we may hope, is to set a record of new success and of more vital memories.

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Gordon Marshall Petersen, former instructor in mathematics at Deep Springs, spent the summer in England at the close of his academic year as staffman at the University of British Columbia. He is now in Toronto, part-time student and part-time teacher.

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Frederick Reinhardt and Miss Lillian Jarke Tootle were married on September 10 at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Weston, Conn. The bride attended the Knox School, served with the Red Cross in the Mediterranean theater during the war, and has recently left Paris where she was on the staff of ECA. Reinhardt is Chief of the Division of Eastern European Affairs of the Department of State.

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Albert Votaw has returned to his study at the University of Chicago after a year in France to study the work and influence of the Existentialists. He is publishing in Horizon and Les Temps Modernes and has a book on the Existentialists presently making the rounds among the publishers.

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Fenton Sands, agricultural missionary with the Episcopal Church in Liberia, did special course work at Cornell during the summer and has returned with Mrs. Sands and the children (Doy, 5 years and Fenton Bravid, 10 months). Enroute to Liberia, Sands briefly stopped off at the school of tropical agriculture in the West Indies. Address: Cuttington College, Swakoko, Liberia.

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Daniel Lindsay has designed for the Telluride House kitchen an efficient exhaust-fan system. The Branchmen have long been troubled by kitchen odors creeping about the premises.

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Roger Baldwin at the 1949 Convention was short ten weeks of completing his year of self-support for membership in the Association. He was contingently elected to membership. On September 19 he made affidavit that he had worked continuously for the Chrysler Corporation as stockhandler and punch-press operator from June 20 to August 27, and on September 19 he formally subscribed to the Constitution and became a member.

MORE PERSONALS

Mr. E. M. Johnson
Telluride Association
Ithaca, N. Y.

5 August 1949

Dear Johnny:

I'm sorry I haven't written earlier; we have no postal communications with the States.

Life in Peiping is very calm and getting expensive. Here we probably know less of what is going on in China than you do. It has been very interesting to watch the new regime take over, then to compare our impressions now with our past conceptions of the CCP. I know of very few people here who have not had to revise their opinions quite drastically (speaking of foreigners now). This implies neither criticism nor praise, disillusionment nor exaltation; it is just that things aren't happening the way we guessed they would. I am too close to see what is going on - the situation calls for some one a good deal more objective than I can be right now. How objective can you get in a situation that is close to 100% subjective? Newspapers, books, magazines, radio, etc., here all have one and only one slant, and our ideas are formed either according to this or as a reaction to it. It is hard to know what the score is. If you think I sound incoherent on the subject of subjectivity and objectivity, wait 'till you see the files of newspapers I have been saving up here to bring home with me.

Nobody was more surprised than I was when I got a Fulbright grant. The moral is: Tell anyone in the House that plans to go abroad for study to apply for a Fulbright scholarship - the damndest people get them.

Nothing much that's exciting has happened around here since the siege; we had a little bit of bombardment then, and this was followed by the triumphant entry of the "People's fighters" into the city. A few weeks ago all the foreigners had to register with the Bureau of Public Safety (Police Department to you); after filling out four copies of a long form in Chinese, we all had personal interviews - the personal touch. I went through in just about par-a little under an hour. Of the people I knew at Yen-an I have so far met only two - both foreigners: Barrett, my CO at Yen-an for a while; and Michael Lindsay, an Englishman who is making a short visit here now. It is obviously not convenient for Chinese to admit having met me in the past - which was to be expected. I want to wait some more and see some more before I come to any conclusions.

Please give my regards to CB, TA members and associates scattered around the hill, and to the Far Eastern Studies community.

Sincerely

S/ Alfred Harding

Four associates have entered the Cornell Law School. Donald Claudy, back from a year of graduate study in Switzerland; Jack Sheinkman, fresh from the summer term at Ruskin College, Oxford; Cyril Stelzenmuller; and William Vanden Heuvel are the four new law students. John Anderson (3rd year), Gareth Sadler (2nd year), and Charles Simpson (3rd year) continue their law study.

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Several sons of Telluride associates attend Cornell. George and David Ashley, sons of Carlyle Ashley entered the University as freshmen this autumn. George picked off two scholarships to the University, standing second highest in the county for a Cornell Tuition Scholarship. G. Austin Worn has one son, Donald R., in ME on a tuition scholarship; son Philip was graduated last spring in EE. Michael Scott, son of Irvin Scott, is a sophomore in Arts, a member of NROTC, and on the News Board of the Sun.

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Second Lieutenant Charles McGinnis of the Army Engineers is on leave without pay while he works for his master's degree at Texas A & M. He teaches surveying part-time while specializing in soil mechanics and foundations, with a minor in management engineering.

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Mrs. E. A. Thornhill has sold her Ithaca home and moved to Elmira, N. Y. (952 Walnut Street), where Grant J. Northrup, husband of Virginia Thornhill, is Associate Professor on the staff of Elmira College. The Northrups have two children, Ernest (8) and Vickie (6).

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Ensign Max King Morris, late of Annapolis, is at Cabaniss Field, Corpus Christi, flying the Grumman F8F. In the early spring, he will return to Pensacola to work with the jets.

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Nevil Davy, elder son of Lee G. Davy, is now a senior in highschool. Last year he won the Tennessee statewide contest in extemporaneous speaking and was elected President of the Tennessee Association of Student Councils.

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Ragnar Arnesen continues his study in Paris. In June he passed his examinations in Ancient (Greek) Archeology and in September presented himself for the State Department tests.

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Orris F. McShane, 76, father of Senator Clif McShane, died in Salt Lake City on September 21. County superintendent of schools, Utah legislator, judge of juvenile court, Mr. McShane did brilliant work for twenty years on the Utah Industrial Commission. He was well known to many Telluride associates. He is survived by Mrs. McShane, four sons and a daughter, nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

PERSONALS

The brave first number of LOGOS, literary magazine at the University of Nevada, prints four (4) poems by Barney Childs, one of the Editors, and three (3) poems by Dr. Robert Gorrell. Childs is a Rhodes Scholar at Oriel College, Oxford. Gorrell, staffman in the Department of English, is currently editing a Dictionary of Comparative Literature.

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J. Arthur Whitecotton has been made a Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur by the French Ambassador at the Embassy in Washington for his work in France and North Africa during the War period. With headquarters in New York City, Whitecotton's business keeps him abroad most of the time - London, Paris, Lisbon, Athens, North Africa. The Whitecotton daughters, Alice Tiebout and Helen Craik, were married in Paris in the spring of 1947. Each has a daughter.

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Joseph C. Nelson, graduate of Harvard Law School, took the Michigan State Bar Examinations in September.

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Chao Kuo-chung received his doctorate in government at Cornell this autumn after two years at Cornell Branch. The following is a paragraph from "Casey" Chao's farewell note to the Chancellor:

"...There are many tangible things such as the House activities, the high qualities of the fellow residents, the music chamber, the library, and, making joy complete, Chef Peters' kingdom, that have made life at the House both pleasant and educational. But it is those hundred and one intangible things -- the whole atmosphere of the House that made it a source of inspiration. To mention a few: intellectual inquisitiveness and tolerance in divergent theories, attitudes, and behaviors; group spirit and group responsibility nurtured by a democratic self-government and community living; absence of discrimination and prejudice toward any race, class, belief, and background; enthusiasm for life; etc. These characteristics have left an intangible but deep impression on me. Wherever I shall be after leaving this second home of mine, I shall always remember the spirit of objectivity, inquisitiveness, cosmopolitanism, and good will of the Telluride..."

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Bruce Netschert passed his doctoral examination at Cornell on September 1. Thesis: "Mineral Foreign Trade of the U. S. in the Twentieth Century: A Study in Mineral Economics." Netschert joined the staff of the University of Minnesota at Duluth this autumn as Assistant Professor in the Department of Business and Economics.

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William L. Spalding was granted his doctorate by Cornell this summer. He was instructor in History at Swarthmore College 1947-49 and is now Adjunct Professor of History at the University of South Carolina. Thesis: "Social Imperialism: The Impact of Nationalism on German Socialist Thinking during the First World War, 1914-1918."

David McConnaughey received his Ph. D. from Cornell in September. Thesis: Nationalism in American Letters, 1865-1900. McConnaughey has begun work as Assistant Professor in the Department of English at the University of Minnesota, Duluth Branch. David McConnaughey has been Graduate Assistant in English at Cornell.

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John Darley (Cornell EE) has been granted the Westinghouse Fellowship in Business Administration; the stipend for the academic year is \$1,500. He entered the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration in September.

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Born: On August 29, Nancy May Sproull, seven-and-one-half-pound daughter of the Robert Sproulls of Ithaca.

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Robert Van Duyne is a trainee with S. H. Kress & Company at their Third Avenue store in East Side New York City.

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John Edgerton, graduate of George Washington Law School, has finished his first year as a lawyer with the Federal Communications Commission.

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Carlyle M. Ashley, director of development for Carrier Corporation, has been appointed a member of the Engineering Advisory Council of Cornell University to assist the buildings and grounds committee of the Board of Trustees in engineering matters.

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Norton Dodge has returned home after fifteen months of study and travel in Europe. His principal study was at Stockholm. He has begun graduate study at Harvard in the Russian regional program.

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The Reverend Christopher Morley, Jr., preached his first sermon on September 25 at St. Mark's Church in the Bouwerie. (Text: Gen. XI.4.). Morley was ordained deacon in the Episcopal Church in May and is a fellow and tutor at the General Theological Seminary in addition to being assistant to the rector of St. Mark's.

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Lemon Clark, Jr., son of Dr. Lemon Clark, is in his third year at the Mayo Clinic working for a doctorate in pathology and polishing up for the qualifications for the American Board of Surgery. Before his two-year hitch with the Navy in the Pacific, young Clark was graduated No. 1. in the Medical School of the University of Tennessee.

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Mrs. William L. Biersach, Jr., died on July 22 after an illness of many months. The Biersachs had been married ten years and resided at Colton, Calif. Private services were conducted by Lt. Gov. Goodwin J. Knight on July 26 in the Chapel of the mortuary in Colton.

Bertil Peterson and Miss Jean Ann Rippton were married in Buffalo on July 30. Both Petersons are 1949 graduates of the Cornell Law School.

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Fred Max Biersach died on July 28 at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, Calif. He was born on May 6, 1881, in Milwaukee. In 1902 he began work with the Nunns in Colorado, Utah, and Idaho, and later he became a construction engineer for various hydro-electrical manufacturing firms. From 1922 until his death Biersach was associated with the moving picture industry and only recently designed a new music scoring stage. He was a Charter Member of the Association Alumni. He is survived by his widow, Gladys Catherine (Kate), and by two sons, Robert of San Francisco and Ralph L. of Sacramento.

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Robert H. Albright has been appointed an "Honor Scholar in the Divisions" at the University of Chicago. Stipend: \$555.00. Albright will receive his MA from the University in June; he is doing research on aspects of American public opinion as a political phenomenon.

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The John R. Butlers have a daughter, Anitra Lynn, born on May 30. Weight, 7 lbs. 12½ oz. Navyman Butler will be discharged from the service in January and will continue his education at the University of Florida, taking a course in geology.

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Bruce Johnston left in August for a 7-week trip to Japan and the Ryukyus as a member of a group making a food and agriculture study in Okinawa. A graduate student in economics at Stanford since February, Johnston has been writing a book on Japanese Food and Agriculture during the War, as part of a project of the Stanford Food Research Institute.

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Teh-chang Koo and Miss Gertrude Kwang-hwa Yang were married on August 20 at St. Bartholomew's, New York City. The bride attended the Dalton School, in New York, and was graduated from Bennington College in December. Koo, an aeronautical engineer, served with the Chinese Air Force during the war and later was stationed at Tokio as liaison officer with the Chinese Staff. He is a Lieut. Colonel of reserve. The Koo's will go to Bangkok, Siam, where Koo is with the Bangkok Cotton Mills.

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William W. Ross has, since he left his duty with the Navy in the forward areas of the Pacific, been developing a 700-acre patch of Missouri crop-land. Before induction, he was graduated from the University of Missouri with a BA degree.

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Dr. E. A. Lowe's fifth volume of *Codices Latini Antiquiores* is now in press - it deals with the oldest manuscripts of Paris. He has been traveling in France this summer to collect material for volume six, which deals with manuscripts in twenty-nine different French towns. The Bavarian Academy of Science has recently made him a Corresponding Member.

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fraternity houses, clubs, and more informal groupings, and most of it is quite beyond the ken of faculty or administration. It is in these groups that the students learn whether to prize intellectual achievement or decry it, to develop a morality of exploitation and snobbishness or one of sensitivity and inclusiveness.

Pasadena Branch has the unique feature that it comprises a complete educational program within the limits of a group small enough so that primary, face-to-face relationships prevail. This is not new to Telluride Association or Deep Springs; since the beginning, these organizations have stressed the value of the small group. The founder himself was interested in individuals and not large numbers. The values of the close-knit group have been very evident and no less so at the new branch. Each man must make his own adjustment. There is no escaping the person-to-person relationship with his fellows. He will make very close friendships with some of the group. With others he will find temperamental antagonisms which must be resolved in some manner. The burden of exposure to the group is sometimes difficult to bear. Vacations, week-ends away are certainly necessary, as well as graduation to a large university after two or three years. The individual who comes through the process will gain much in a better understanding of himself and his relations with others.

As time goes on, we will have to become more "established" but these factors of flexibility and the total involvement of the individual should ensure that our set patterns will not unduly inhibit the fresh response of new students. Indeed, it may seem strange to emphasize the advantages of flexibility and hence insecurity at a time when our future hangs in the balance. The other side of the picture, of course, is that we cannot function without certain stable elements. If we did not have promise of our credits being good currency in academic circles, our program would fall by the wayside for lack of students. Unless the Association can give some assurance of continuity, it will be difficult to recruit students at all, although we have had amazing success in this uncertain year. In setting standards of student conduct, it is very difficult to start without any carry-over of student body and precedent. All this and much more might be said. I have emphasized the initiating factor rather than the stabilizing factor because I think it explains much of the value of our enterprise and the enthusiasm that it has inspired in our students.

Anthony Geiss and Miss Phyllis Eisen were married in Ithaca on August 31. They are both doing graduate work at Cornell, he in English, she in Sociology.

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