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MAINE 4-H Clubs through more than 15,000 busy boys and girls have just completed the greatest period of achievement in the more than thirty years of organized Club work in Maine; during the war years the busy young members of clubs from the St. Johns valley to York County have accounted for the production or conservation of nearly two and a half million dollars’ worth of needed food. Such items as a million pounds of snap beans, seventy thousand dozen sweet corn, nearly half a million bushels of potatoes, almost three hundred thousand hens, and over two hundred thousand pints of canned food give a glimpse of the amount of work undertaken and actually accomplished by the Club members in Maine.

The phrase “actually accomplished” is, in itself, significant, for the Maine 4-H organization—part of the University’s Agricultural Extension Service centered in Winslow Hall on the campus—is particularly proud of the exceptionally high record of completion it has shown. For over ten years Maine has led every state in the Union in the percentage of projects actually brought to completion in the 4-H work; last year that figure reached the remarkable total of 94.3% of all projects.

Leadership

One of the sound reasons back of 4-H success during the war as well as before the war has been the quality of its leadership, quality which has been in large part the work of alumni of the College of Agriculture. Heading the 4-H Club organization, and just finishing a tenth anniversary in the leadership of that work, is Kenneth C. Lovejoy ’28, State 4-H Club Leader. As one of the first five County Club Agents appointed by the Extension Service in 1928, Leader Lovejoy has literally grown up with the formal Club organization as it exists today, a recognized separate field of activity in the Extension Service organization. Serving first as Agent in Waldo County, Mr. Lovejoy was appointed State Leader in August, 1935. Thus the 1945 year, one of the years of greatest accomplishment in the Club work, marks a significant anniversary of his leadership.

During the ten-year period of 4-H work under Mr. Lovejoy the club memberships and accomplishments have climbed to new highs; spurred on by war needs, the program has reached more Maine boys and girls and recorded more successful projects during the past four years than ever before. For example, the total membership of 5,769 in 1941 completed 6,302 work projects; in 1944 the membership was 15,713 and the number of completed projects 17,977. Such a trebling of the scope is at once a tribute to the work of the State Leader and his many field agents and at the same time an indication of the vastly enlarged responsibilities resting on their shoulders.

In the field as County Club Agents are other alumni of Maine, too many to be listed in a brief article; from their efforts and leadership come the results of the program. Working through the volunteer local community leaders of the various clubs, they organize and direct the program. The 4-H Emblem is built around the four-fold development of Head, Heart, Hands, and Health. These basic ideals are kept always in mind by all leaders.

The University’s Part

In addition to the important part played by Maine alumni in the actual work of the 4-H organization and the general administration of the Club program, the University has other responsibilities in the success of the Club work. Each year during the Christmas vacation period the State 4-H Club Contest is held on the campus as a climax of the year’s work and reward of accomplishment. Some 250 delegates, selected for the excellence of their performance during the year, participate in the program.

Until war conditions compelled the temporary cessation of the event the annual 4-H State Camp held on the campus during the summer was a similar highlight in the year’s work.

In both programs the University faculty and members of the Extension Service and Experiment Station take an important part. Because the basic ideal of the 4-H program is educational, instruction and information in the latest and best methods of food production and preserving, home-making, and similar fields are an integral part of the work. For this purpose the knowledge and specialized experience of many of the agricultural staff are in constant demand.

Significance

In any analysis of the progress and contributions of 4-H Clubs and their members a deeper and even more significant factor should be kept in mind. While it is praiseworthy in the extreme to point out that nearly $2,500,000 worth of food products were raised or preserved by 4-H boys and girls during the war period, it is in the long run even more important to note that in accomplishing this important result the members learned how to produce and how to preserve food in the latest and most improved methods. When the garden truck has been eaten, the 300,000 hens killed off to make Sunday dinners, the long rows of canned fruits, vegetables, and meats have been emptied during the Maine winter, the important “know-how” remains. The motto of the 4-H is “To Make the Best Better”; this applies not only to products and methods but even more appropriately to the greatest natural resource of the State, its boys and girls. In this field the Maine 4-H Club program is building an investment of incalculable value for the future.
Two Contracts Let For New Library

Two contracts were awarded during December by the University Board of Trustees for interior work in the new library. One contract was for stacks and the other for construction of a considerable part of the interior, excepting the big main reading room.

Imperative need both for larger library facilities and for classroom space beginning next fall caused the Trustees to decide to proceed with construction at this time. With an anticipated registration next September well in excess of 2,000, the facilities of the present library would not be equal to the demands which will be made upon it. In addition there is a desperate need for engineering drafting rooms to replace the space lost in the Wingate Hall fire.

The main reading room and the exhibition room will be given only a rough finish. These rooms will be used temporarily for engineering drafting until a new engineering hall is erected.

The stack contract was awarded to Snead Co., of Jersey City, N. J. The bid was $73,988. The other work is to be done by H. P. Cummings Co., of Winthrop, Maine, and Ware, Mass., on a cost plus a fixed fee charge. It is estimated the work to be done will cost around $300,000.

Committee Chairman Named

George E. Lord '25 of Orono, a member of the Alumni Council, has been named chairman of the General Alumni Association Finance Committee for the current year by President Robert F. Thurrell.

The other members of this committee ex officio are the Association Treasurer, Richard S. Bradford '31, and the three Dues Committee Members, Weston S. Evans '18, James W. McClure '33 and Philip S. Parsons '34.

Mr. Lord recently completed several years' service as clerk of the General Alumni Association and was a dues committee member for three years. He is assistant director of the Maine Agricultural Extension Service.

The finance committee is responsible for keeping in touch with the financial condition of the Association, and to prepare and recommend a budget.

Award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy was earned by Philip M. Marsh '29 at the Graduate Division, Southern Section, of the University of California in Los Angeles October 19, when results of final examinations for the degree were announced. His doctoral dissertation was written on a little-known aspect of the life and works of poet Philip Freneau under the title, "Philip Freneau, Jeffersonian Publicist." The degree was earned by Mr. Marsh following receipt of the University of Maine B.A. and M.A. in 1929 and 1932 and M.A. from Harvard.

News Editor Honored

John M. O'Connell, Jr., '18, managing editor, Bangor Daily News, has been named among the European war correspondents to receive campaign ribbons "for outstanding and conspicuous service with the armed forces under difficult and hazardous conditions." The award is a fitting tribute to seven months of war-packed action in which Correspondent O'Connell followed and reported on Maine men from England, Ireland, France, Italy, and Germany.

Returned now to his job on the News, Bangor's famous war correspondent can look back on memories and friendships during the war which he translated into more than 300,000 words of copy for his front-page daily column built around the names and human-interest stories of some 3,000 different officers and men from Maine. His familiar introduction—"Anybody here from Maine?"—sounded in front-line foxholes and fighting corners, in hospitals, rest camps, cities, and ships; and usually it brought forth a story.

Native of Bangor, John O'Connell attended the University until the interruption of World War I. Majoring in English, he was active on the campus paper and a member of the honorary journalistic society during his student years. He reported for the News and gained valuable newspaper experience then came the first World War and John O'Connell went into uniform for the first time before he graduated. He served in Germany with the Army of Occupation.

Returning to Bangor, he tried his hand, successfully but not too happily, at the insurance business and other sales work. But his heart was close to the roaring presses and exciting stories of the newspaper game. So when opportunity was offered him in 1930 to take over as city editor for the News, he jumped at the chance. From that time he has gained increasing responsibility and increasing success with the paper.

His second call to war came to John O'Connell in the summer of 1944 by way of a phone call from his publisher. He was asked how soon he could leave for Europe and he arrived there five weeks later to begin a series of daily stories which never missed the paper's deadline from then on to victory in Europe.

As a war correspondent, John O'Connell was a law unto himself, the envy of other correspondents and the constant joy of Maine soldiers and their families. Keeping strictly to the "home-town" style, he was able to invest his stories with intimate, first-hand touches of human understanding which made them live almost like letters from the boys themselves to their families and friends who eagerly read his column back home in eastern Maine.

Solutions Are Sought For Housing Problem

The very acute problem of locating housing for veterans wishing to return to the University for study under the terms of the G.I. Bill, many of them with families, is being studied carefully by the University, and several definite steps looking toward a solution of the problem are being taken.

Most immediate relief to the problem is being provided by the setting up of a trailer colony near the University Cabins. Formerly used for government employees at the Presque Isle air base, the trailers are the property of the Public Housing Authority loaned to the University on a lease arrangement. The units are being moved to the campus by crews and trucks provided by the State Highway Department. Already most of the trailers have made the long road trip and been installed. When completed the unit will consist of 32 trailers and a central service building for showers, water, wash units, and recreation.

The University is also remodelling an old poultry building near the University farm to provide four apartments which will be ready for occupancy in the near future. Also a house at 395 College Avenue has been leased to provide four apartments.

Latest report of developments is that the University has put in a request for surplus federal housing to be moved to the University. While no definite results in this line have yet been announced, there is hope that under the terms of recent federal legislation some such housing units can be moved to the campus and set up for use.

Plate Committee Members

Mrs. Madeline R. Herlihy, class of 1916 of Bangor, and Smith McIntyre '32 of Orono have been appointed members of the Commemorative Plate Committee by Robert F. Thurrell '15, president of the General Alumni Association. This committee determines the commemorative ware which is to be produced including the design of new pieces. Other members of the committee are F. Drummond Freese '15, of Bangor, chairman; Mrs. Rena C. Bowles '21 of Bangor and Prof. Charles P. Weston '96 of St. Croixwater.

After a lapse of about two years, a shipment of 50 dozen dinner plates is expected to arrive in January or early February. Orders have been received at the Alumni Association for a considerable part of this shipment. Within a few months another shipment of 50 dozen plates is expected. Alumni who are interested in securing some of these fine plates should direct their inquiry to the General Alumni Association, 11 Fernald Hall.
President: Last month the New Jersey Superintendents Association elected Herschel S. Libby of Irvington, N. J., as president of the group. Serving last year as vice president, Mr. Libby is recognized as a leader of the organization composed of all New Jersey school superintendents. He has been head of the Irvington Public Schools since 1934, formerly serving ten years as superintendent in Southington, Conn. Graduate of Farmington Normal and the University, Mr. Libby holds the master’s degree from New York University and has done further graduate study there, at Columbia and at Yale. He is a past president of the New York University School of Education Alumni, of Irvington Rotary, and of the Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents.

Appointed: Following 30 years’ service as Clerk of Courts for York County, Frank D. Fenderson ’99 was recently named York County Judge of Probate to serve the unexpired term of the late Judge Hiram Willard Judge Fenderson, resident of Parsonsfield, will serve to December 31, 1946. Graduate of the University Law School in 1899, Judge Fenderson was presented by President Abram W. Harris the first law degree to be granted by the University in the Law School established the previous year. He practiced law for several years until his election as Clerk of Courts in 1912. He has also served a term in the Maine legislature, has been librarian of the York Bar Library, is a past president of the Maine Association of Clerks of Courts, and past president of the Maine Law Alumni Association. He is active in the Sons of the American Revolution and has served several years as librarian of that organization.

Elected: Residents of Portland voted onto the Portland School Committee last month Mrs Elizabeth H. Lamb ’24 for a three-year term. One of two successful candidates from a slate of five nominees, Mrs Lamb, long a resident of Portland and leader in many civic activities, will share the responsibilities of maintaining the quality of education in the city. Herself a graduate of Deering High School and the mother of three girls, she has a background of personal experience and interest in her new position. Mrs. Lamb has been a resident of Portland all her life except a period of ten years spent teaching in high schools of Massachusetts and Connecticut. She is active in the church, Women’s Rotary, Garden Club, and the League of Women Voters of which she was formerly secretary. She is at present state secretary of the Maine Congress of Parent-Teachers Associations and president of the Board of Managers of the Temporary Home for Women and Children.

HONORED: Prof. Fred H. Vose ’00 was presented a Meritorious Service Award by Case School alumni for over 30 years’ service to the School as Head of Mechanical Engineering.

Honored by Case School of Applied Science where he has served for over thirty years as Head of Mechanical Engineering, Prof. Fred H. Vose ’00 received a Meritorious Service Award in June from alumni of that institution. The award, rarely given to non-alumni of Case, was a tribute to him as a teacher and administrator who has helped to develop the mechanical engineering work at Case. Prof Vose, following graduation from Maine, taught at the University for a time, then at Washington University, St Louis. In 1910 he became a member of the Case faculty, being named department head in 1914. It is of interest to note that two predecessors in that position were also men from Maine, Prof. Charles Benjamin ’18 and Prof. Robert H. Fernald ’22. Last spring Prof. Vose turned over administrative duties in his department but continues with his teaching. In awarding the service plaque to Prof. Vose, the Case alumni president gave the following citation:

PROFESSOR FRED HALE VOSE, for 33 years of inspiring service as head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering... for his leadership in developing a small department housed in an old structure into the largest engineering department of the college quartered in the present half-million dollar William Bingham Building with excellent modern equipment and recognized as among the best in the country... for directing the training of over a thousand graduates in Mechanical Engineering and assisting in the education of hundreds of graduates of all other departments... for his activities in local and national engineering societies... for his helpful devotion to the interests of the college... for the affection and respect he has carved for himself among students, alumni, faculty, and friends.

Recipient of the Distinguished Service Certificate from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents last month was Philip S Parsons ’34, county agent for Penobscot County. Awarded at the annual session of the Association, the certificate is given in recognition of outstanding services to agriculture in the state. County Agent Parsons, a native of South Paris, served as a district agent in Penobscot County following his graduation from the College of Agriculture, then as county agent in Waldo County from 1934 to 1944, when he was appointed to his present position as Penobscot County Agent. He has been a leader in the development of dairy and poultry industries, organization of the Central Maine Selective Breeding Association, and improvement of pasture and hay crops. He was also helpful in the establishment of the Waldo County Soil Conservation District and the Troy Town Forest. The first spray ring in Penobscot County was organized through his efforts. Mr. Parsons is a past president of the Waldo County Alumni and is currently serving on the Dues Committee of the General Alumni Association.

Leadership in his industrial and marine insulation company, P. S. Thorsen and Co., was confirmed for the fourth successive year for Alphonso Wood ’05 by his reelection as President of the company at the annual meeting of stockholders. He also serves in the capacity of treasurer. Mr. Wood’s organization is concerned with the furnishing and application of all types of insulation for both heat and frost. During the war the company has been engaged exclusively in the task of insulating hot and cold surfaces on ships for the Army, Navy, Maritime Commission, and War Shipping Administration, acting as subcontractors for ship building and repair yards in New York and New Jersey. The general administration of this 100 per cent war work has been in the hands of Mr. Wood as president and treasurer, a position to which he was first elected in 1942.
New Department Head Named

Professor Dwight B Demeritt '22, head of the Department of Forestry at the University since 1934, has resigned from the faculty to take a position as woodland manager for the Dead River Company, with extensive forest holdings in Hancock, Washington, and Aroostook counties. He will be succeeded in the position by Prof. Robert I. Ashman, graduate of Cornell University, who was a member of the department staff from 1930 to 1943 when he engaged in special work for the State Department of Forestry, the Agricultural Extension Service, and the Lumber Division of the OPA.

Following his graduation from Maine in 1922, Prof. Demeritt studied for the master's degree at Yale in 1923. Returning to Maine, he taught for three years at the University, then served as extension forester in Louisiana, and taught forestry at Pennsylvania State College and Iowa State College. He returned as head of the department in 1934. During the past year he has been on leave of absence from the University, serving with the War Production Board. His resignation will take effect the last of January.

The new Forestry head, Prof. Ashman, is a native of Sloan, N. Y. He studied at Yale after his graduation from Cornell, receiving his master's degree in 1929. During his teaching years at Maine since 1930, he has been in charge of the Forestry Winter Camp at Princeton where actual woods practice is given the Forestry students. In his new position he will have charge of the teaching in Forestry and also Wildlife Conservation, a division of the Forestry Department. As the result of a recent administrative coordination, the department will also have supervision over research work in Forestry and Wildlife in the Agricultural Experiment Station.

In tribute to Prof. Demeritt's valuable services to the Department and the University, Dean Arthur L. Deering '12 praised his "outstanding leadership" and the value of his broad experience to students and forest interests as a whole. He said, "We regret his resignation but are glad that he is to stay in Maine and will continue his interest in the work of the University."

Supplying and supporting activities of Philippine guerrillas has been a task of Ensign Richard W. Whitney '42 of Marblehead, Mass., working with a Naval Task Group. Assigned to a gunboat as communications officer, Ens Whitney saw much of the action preceding the Yank invasion of the islands, making constant hazardous contact with active guerrilla groups in the islands and adjacent waters of the Philippines. Before entering service in January, 1944, Ens Whitney had completed two years' medical study.

Brother and sister from Army and Navy met at home after long separation last month when Major Hartwell Lancaster '41 and Helengrace Lancaster '40 held a family reunion at Old Town. Major Lancaster, furloughed from overseas service with the Army Air Forces, has been commanding officer and pilot of a transport group which flew supplies and munitions to fighting units and returned with wounded personnel. He entered service in August, 1941. Lt. Helengrace Lancaster has been serving with the WAVES since October, 1942. She is on terminal leave following six months of service at Pearl Harbor.

H. W. Bearce '06 Retires From Government Service

Bringing to a close a long and honorable period of service in the U. S. Government's National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., Henry W. Bearce '06, chief of the Bureau's Division of Weights and Measures, has retired to private life. His period of government service totalled thirty-seven years.

Following his graduation from Maine in 1906 with a degree in Physics Mr. Bearce served two years as an instructor at the University in that department, then in 1908 entered the employ of the Bureau of Standards as a laboratory assistant. First employed in the volumetric section he carried out researches on the density and thermal expansion of liquids having scientific and industrial importance, including ethyl alcohol, petroleum oils, turpentine, milk, and cream. Resulting from these studies extensive tables were set up as standards for scientific use. For a time after World War I he served as chief of the Gage Section.

In recent years he has been particularly interested in standardization work, including interchangeable manufacture of screw threads and special gages. He is the author of several articles on the subject and served as secretary of the National Screw Thread Commission from 1918 to 1933 and of the Interdepartmental Screw Thread Committee since 1939. He was twice sent to Europe with committees engaged in international standardization projects, the latest time in 1944. He was named chief of the Division of Weights and Measures in 1940, having served as co-chief from 1921.

Home again after 48 months in the service, 34 of them overseas in the Pacific theatre, Captain Robert S Hussey '38 was reunited this summer with his parents, wife, and daughter. Son of alumni Phil Hussey '12 of Bangor, Capt. Hussey left Bangor with the 152nd Field Artillery in 1941. He has served as Battery Commander of Co A from Bangor and of Co B from South Brewer; for the last 10 months of his service he was liaison officer for the 43rd Division, coordinating the work of the artillery and infantry. Wearing the Silver Star, Bronze Star, a Bronze Arrow for assault landings, and four battle stars on his Asiatic ribbon, he has seen service in New Zealand, New Caledonia, the Fiji Islands, the New Hebrides, New Georgia, New Guinea, Guadalcanal, and the Philippines. Meanwhile his brother, First Lieutenant Jack Hussey '46, has gathered also full share of Pacific battle honors, fighting with the First Cavalry. His group was first into Manila and part of the dramatic rescue of prisoners from Santo Tomas and climaxed their fighting record by leading the victorious entry into Tokyo.

FORESTRY: Resignation of Prof. Dwight Demeritt '22, at left, as Head of Forestry this month was followed by appointment of Prof. Robert I. Ashman.

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RECENTLY discharged from the Army Transport Command, Captain Roderick Elliott '38 compiled an enviable record of flying service during and after the war. In addition to building up nearly 4,000 hours of flying time as a crack ATC pilot, Capt. Roddy made the news headlines several times in connection with special flights. In November, 1944, he was one of the pilots who flew a leg of the trip from India to Washington to bring a polio-stricken soldier in an iron lung for special treatment which saved his life. In this drama Roddy flew the Cairo to Casablanca part of the trip. A year later, in October, 1945, he again made news by piloting the round-the-world Globester of the ATC on the leg from Bermuda to the Azores. The latter trip marked the 100th crossing of the Atlantic for Capt. Roddy who was one of the crack pilots of the ATC with many hours of service in C-54 planes such as the Globester. The Atlantic crossing, 2,216 miles, was made by Capt. Elliott and his crew in record time.

Service Awards

Continuing the record begun last month of Maine men receiving significant awards for distinguished service, the tabulation this month lists the winners of the Distinguished Service Medal. They are:

1916
Hamblen, Archelaus L., Brig. Gen., Army, Distinguished Service Medal, also high award from the Italian government.

1926
Acheson, George R., Brig. Gen., A.A.C., Distinguished Service Medal, also Distinguished Flying Cross, and Air Medal.

New Names

The following new names in service bring the total to 4,098.

1916
Lovely, Harry, American Red Cross
1918
Totman, Otto, Col., Army
1931
Stewart, Mason
1932
Austin, Ronald E.
1935
Reese, Samuel Jackson, Norman M.
1937
Mitty, Victor
1938
William, John P.
1941
Backer, Albert
1942
Bigelson, Arthur
1944
Dow, Marion Myrtle, Lt.
1945
Weston, William N.
1946
Whitney, Jennison
1947
Bragg, John H., Crouse, Ivan H., A/S
1949
Irish, Frederick E., Miller, Alvin, Naseck, Melvin L., T/5, Army

Commanding Officer of the Searsport Cargo Port of Embarkation is Colonel Otto Totman of the Class of 1918. Colonel Totman, in charge of the important activities of the Searsport shipping point, has directed with outstanding efficiency complicated and difficult operations of the utmost importance in the great war of supply. Handling ammunition of many types in great volume, the Searsport Cargo Port of Embarkation has been one of the areas little known to the general public because of necessary secrecy yet a vital link in the great chain of world warfare. Col. Totman has handled the personnel and operations of the port as commanding officer with a reported 1,000 men under him.

Assisting in the operation of Japan is Destroyer Division 26 under the command of Captain Royce P. Davis '27 of Annapolis, Md. Aboard the flagship destroyer Livermore Captain Davis commands four other destroyers. Previously he served as Commanding Officer of the Thompson. He also saw Pacific service in U.S.S. Houston and Chicago. Captain Davis is a graduate of the Naval Academy, receiving his commission as Ensign.

With the Air Transport Command as a navigator flying out of Hamilton Field, Cal., First Lieutenant Frank H. Kneeland '41 has recently returned to that base after a round trip flight on a C-54 Skymaster to Hawaii, Kwajalein, Guam, and Manila, visiting several of the areas where he previously flew on bombing missions as a navigator of a B-24 with the Seventh Army Air Force. Lt. Kneeland in August, 1944, flew from Kwajalein via Eniwetok for eleven missions over Truk and others over Wake and Jaluit. Later he participated in the constant bombardment of Iwo Jima, making a record of successful missions over that island. Following his 40th combat mission he was returned to the States for reassignment. Meanwhile he received the D.F.C. for helping to put out a fire in the nose of the plane made by a Jap shell followed by an emergency landing. He has also won the Air Medal with seven clusters, three Campaign Stars, and a unit Presidential Citation. His home is in Searsport.

* Special commendation was accorded Staff Sergeant Robert W. Nutter '44 of Sanford in Japan recently for his work in helping organize a Regimental School for his unit of the 97th Infantry Division. As a member of the Education and Orientation Section he will also teach academic subjects under the program. Sgt. Nutter was with the first American patrol to cross the Czech border during the 3rd Army's final drive in Europe, then following a 30-day leave was among the first veterans of the ETO to land on the Japanese homeland.

* Outstanding ability as an air officer has brought promotion to the rank of Colonel to Edward W. Szaniawski '39 of Scarsdale, N. Y. Veteran fighter pilot of the European air war, Col. Szaniawski was taken prisoner by the Germans in the spring of 1944 after some nine victories in air fights and destruction of numerous grounded enemy planes in strafing attacks. While a prisoner he was promoted to the rank of Lt. Colonel and awarded the D.F.C. with two clusters for completion of fifty combat missions.

* Returned to civilian life, Dr. Achsa Bean '22, one of the first woman physicians to join the Women's Reserve of the Navy, has announced her plan to take up again her duties at Vassar College in the Department of Health and Hygiene. Before entering the U.S. Naval Reserve, Dr. Bean served a year as a major in the Royal Army Medical Corps during the English blitz. She was one of the first WAVES to report for overseas duty, serving at Pearl Harbor nearly a year.
The Maine Club of Auburn-Lewiston report two recent meetings under the able leadership of President Ross Varney ’15. On November 8 twenty members of the group welcomed Lucius D. Barrows ’07, Chief Engineer, State Highway Department, as guest speaker who addressed them on the subject of “The Super Highway.” The December monthly meeting, held December 6, featured a talk by Frank S. Hoy, general manager of the Lewiston Sun-Journal, on the modern local newspaper. Plans were announced tentatively for the next meeting on January 10. Report was made by Secretary John McCobb ’25 of 62 Winter St., Auburn.

Boston Alumni met on December 3 to record an attendance of seventy-five alumni and guests, largest meeting in recent years. Former Governor Lewis O. Barrows ’16 spoke to the group on “The University of Tomorrow.” Another feature of the gathering was showing of two reels of films from the Maine Inland Fisheries and Game Department. Presiding was Albert “Spin” Wunderly ’18, president of the group.

Boston Alumnae held their second meeting on December 6 with sixteen members present. Following dinner there was a program of gift exchange and general discussion of campus news.

New York Alumni will meet on January 15 at the Hotel New Yorker, North Ball Room, at 6:30 p.m. for their annual banquet meeting. Guest speaker will be President Hauck with Joe A. McCusker ’17 as Master of Ceremonies for the entertainment. The meeting is under the direction of Henry T. Carey ’22 and James Milton Sims ’32. Reservations can be made with George V. Packard ’31, W. T. Grant Co., 1441 Broadway, N. Y. 18.

Salvage of Pacific wrecks as a member of the Army diving service is the unique contribution to victory made by T. Sgt Otto H. Wallingford ’45 of Auburn. Capitalizing on a boyhood hobby of exploring local underwater areas in a home-made diving rig, diver Wallingford has made a success of a specialized, extremely hazardous branch of service, little known to the general public but of immense value. His work takes him to twisted and sunken wrecks in many Pacific harbors to salvage ships and contents when possible and clear the harbor areas of hazards. Sgt. Wallingford first practiced diving in a suit he made himself from an old oil can. It worked.

Decorations won by First Lieutenant Charles P. Inman ’43 of Orono while with the Old Hickory 30th Division include the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman’s Badge. In addition to the unit, the First Battalion of the 119th Infantry Regiment, received battle honors in a general unit citation. Lt. Inman was cited on the Silver Star Award for bringing a group of U. S. tanks into action to repulse an enemy counterattack. The Oak Leaf Cluster was given on February 2, 1945.
WITH THE TEAMS

At the close-of-season banquet for fall athletic teams the Athletic Association awarded nineteen letters and thirty-six numerals to participants in football and cross country last month. At the same time John Day, a senior from Bangor, was elected honorary captain of football and Edwin Forsyth, a sophomore from Addison, honorary captain of cross country. The AA banquet was the first held for three years because of war conditions.

The Athletic Department also announced last month that the freshmen rule barring first-year men from varsity competition would probably be reinstated in 1947; the New England Conference has voted not to recommend such reinstatement until that date. Tentative plans of the University, therefore, are to continue freshman participation in varsity play for another year. At the same time Faculty Manager Curtis announced that a junior varsity team in football would probably be organized next fall in order to give opportunity to play to more of the many candidates expected to report for the sport. As soon as the freshman rule is reinstated by the Athletic Board, freshmen will again be organized in all sports as before the war. It was pointed out that Maine was the first college in the state to adopt the freshman rule in varsity sports and the last to drop it during the war. Freshman teams at Maine were organized and played in most sports for a year after the beginning of the war.

The return of Sam Sezak '31 as assistant faculty manager and coach will help to put over the rapidly expanding athletic and physical education program at the University. With several hundred veterans expected to register for the spring semester, plans are being readied for a much increased interest in all sports. Sezak who has been on leave of absence from the University during the war has been coaching in a high school in New Jersey. He takes up his campus duties again early in January.

Basketball

News from the gym floor is that Coach Eck Allen is tuning up his varsity basketball squad to show a wide-open and fast-moving brand of court play. Until the interruption of the Christmas vacation, all candidates were being put through heavy workouts in fundamentals and team play featuring a fast break and quick passing. He is reported to have picked out his likeliest prospects for his starting lineup but no names have yet been announced.

First game of the untried group will be a real test of ability when they meet Rhode Island at Kingston on the first game of a New England trip, Jan. 10. Games at U. of Conn., Storrs, Jan. 11, and Northeastern, Boston, Jan. 12, will follow. Then the Bears will return for the first home game with Bates, Jan. 15.

The complete schedule follows:

Jan. 10 Rhode Island, Kingston
Jan. 11 U. of Conn., Storrs
Jan. 12 Northeastern, Boston
Jan. 15 Bates, Orono
Jan. 19 Bowdoin, Orono
Jan. 22 Colby, Orono
Jan. 26 U. of New Hampshire, Orono
Jan. 29 Bowdoin, Brunswick
Feb. 2 U. of Conn., Orono
Feb. 14 Bates, Lewiston
Feb. 16 Northeastern, Orono
Feb. 22 Rhode Island, Orono
Feb. 26 Colby, Waterville
Mar. 5 New Hampshire, Durham

Pledged—

University sororities offered membership pledges to fifty-nine undergraduate women last month at the close of the official rushing period December 12. The five societies brought into their membership thirty-seven freshmen and twenty-two upperclass women. The results as announced were the following: Alpha Omicron Pi, nine freshmen, two sophomores, two juniors; Chi Omega, ten freshmen, three sophomores, two juniors, two seniors; Delta Delta Delta, nine freshmen, two sophomores, one senior; Phi Mu, five freshmen, three sophomores, two juniors, two seniors; Pi Beta Phi, four freshmen, one sophomore.

Carnival—

Announcement of the date of the annual Winter Carnival was made last month for the week end of February 22-23. On the planned program for the event, which has become a cherished tradition at Maine, will be snow sculpturing, all types of winter sports events, dancing, and a varsity basketball game with Rhode Island. The tentative program calls for a dance on Thursday night with sports events on Friday, a regular holiday.

Revival—

On Thursday, December 6, formal reactivation of the Agricultural Club took place at a meeting on the campus. During the meeting Dwight Moody '47 of Lincoln was elected president, Charles Cunningham '48 of Washburn, secretary, and Richard Harlow '47 of Hyde Park, Mass., treasurer. Freshmen in the College of Agriculture were guests of the Club at the opening meeting. Dean Arthur L. Deering '12 was guest speaker. The Club had been inactive for two years during the war. Monthly meetings are now planned with membership open to all men students in the College.

Calendar—

Coming campus events cast their reflections ahead as the calendar for the spring semester was announced last month. Following the resumption of classes after the Christmas vacation on January 2, the fall semester will officially end on Friday, February 8. The spring semester opens on Monday, February 11. Friday, February 22, Washington's Birthday, is a holiday with the Winter Carnival program scheduled for the day. The spring recess begins Friday, March 22, and ends Monday, April 1. Classes for the semester end Tuesday, June 4. Class Day, first of the Commencement week end, is scheduled for Friday, June 14; Alumni Day will be Saturday, June 15.

M.O.C.—

Sponsoring an ambitious winter program of activities, the Maine Outing Club continued its leadership of recent years on the campus. Among the projects to be offered to members will be an electrically operated ski tow, skiing lessons, and ski trips as well as toboggan and skating parties.

Returned—

Col. Francis R. Fuller, formerly Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University, returned to that command this month following a period of foreign service with Sixth Army Group Headquarters. Col. Fuller headed the R.O.T.C. unit at Maine from September, 1941, to March, 1943. Reordered to the campus he again assumes command of the basic and advanced courses. With him will continue to serve Lt. Col. Newton W. Alexander who was in command of the R.O.T.C. and the AST program during the final months of the latter's existence. Col. Fuller, graduate of West Point, is a native of Pawtucket, R. I. He has specialized in infantry field equipment and was for several years head of the department of experiments at Fort Benning. During his European service he received award of the Croix de Guerre, Degree of Army, from the French

Scholarship—

To Foster Gordon of Patten, freshman at the University, has been awarded one of the ten National Commander's scholarships of the American Legion. With value up to $800, the awards are made annually to sons of deceased World War I veterans. Gordon is a graduate of Medway High School where he was active in sports, dramatics, and public speaking and named salutatorian of his class.

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1940

OMAR WALTER MCKENNEY

Word was received last month that Omar McKenney of Clinton, member of the Army Air Corps, was believed to have died of disease at Camp O'Donnell, Manila, P. L., May 3, 1942. Taken prisoner in the early days of the Pacific war at Corregidor, he was listed as missing in action since that time. The twenty-four-year-old soldier was a graduate of Clinton high school where he was active in baseball and basketball. He attended Maine with the class of 1940 and had hoped to complete his University education after the war. No details of his passing have been ascertained up to the present.

1944

DONALD WEARE ABBOTT

As the result of an accident at Pinecastle Army Air Field, Orlando, Fla., Staff Sergeant Donald W. Abbott was instantly killed on November 15, 1945. According to report received, Sgt. Abbott was inspecting the loading of bombs when a 500 lb. missile became released and fell on him. Twenty-five years old at the time of his death, Sgt. Abbott was a native of Lewiston and a graduate of Newton, Mass., high school and Worcester Academy. He entered the service in September, 1942, before completion of his University work, serving with the Army Air Forces. While in secondary school he was active in athletics, the school yearbook, and the Varsity Club.

1946

FRED EARLMORE HARRISON

Report has just been received at the Alumni Office of the death on Okinawa of Pharmacist’s Mate 3/c Harrison. Report was received through the offices of the Bureau of the Dead. Harrison was killed as the result of enemy action during the fierce fighting in which his unit of the First Marine Division participated. Earlier in his military career PM 3/c Harrison was awarded the Silver Star and cited for conspicuous gallantry. He was also a strong advocate of vocational training. Besides his wife he left two daughters, one, Lucia Packard, a senior at the University.

NECROLOGY

1891

WILLIAM MELVIN BAILEY

Prominent Boston civil engineer, William M. Bailey, died at his home in Malden, Mass., December 1, 1945, at the age of 72. A native of Newburyport, Mass., Bailey was active in his profession for 56 years. At the University he was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and following his graduation he worked as a draftsman for the Mass Housing Administration and was active in Masons and the advisory board of the Salvation Army.

1897

JAMES ALFRED BIRD

On December 12 at a hospital in Presque Isle James A. Bird of Boston died at the age of 72. A native of Neskowin, N. B., he attended schools in Presque Isle and the University where he studied pharmacy. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. During his early life he was a druggist in Presque Isle and Bangor, moving to Boston in 1899 where he established a drug business in his home in Dorchester, Mass. He had retired from active business some years before his death. He was active in his Masonic lodge.

1909

HAROLD ORRETT HUSSEY

Former manager of the Gardiner Opera House, Harold O. Hussey of Gardiner died at a local hospital on December 21. Sixty-two years of age, Mr. Hussey had retired from active business on Dec 1 of this year. He was a native of Vassalboro and graduate of Cony high school. Following his attendance at the University he entered the theatre business. For twenty-five years he was an employee of the Maine and New Hampshire Theatre Company. He was a member of the Masonic lodge of Vassalboro.

1910

HOWARD GILSON BRADISH

At his home in New York City Howard G. Bradish, formerly of Calais, succumbed to pneumonia in his 66th year on November 26. Member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, Mr. Bradish studied Pharmacy at the University, receiving the degrees of Pn. and PhC. He had made his home in New York City for several years before his death.

BY CLASSES

1900

Attorney Alan L. Bird of Rock-land has been named a member of the Rockland municipal planning commission by the city council.

1902

Henry W. Kneeland and Mrs. Kneeland celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary in November with a dinner party in Belfast. They spent the summer at their summer home in Searsport, returning in November to their home in West Roxbury, Mass.

1903

Word has been received of the retirement of John H. Hinchliffe of Orange, Conn. Mr. Hinchliffe had served the town of Orange as Superintendent of Schools for several years.

1906

Following his retirement from active government service Henry W. Bearce has returned to his home in Hebron where he is engaged in the fruit growing business. Mr. Bearce was many
years with the Bureau of Standards at Washington where he was chief of the Division of Weights and Measures

1909 Ralph C. Harmon of Bangor was named one of the Directors of the Bangor Kiwanis Club for a two-year term last week. Mr. Harmon is a local manager of the General Ice Cream Corp., at 6th and Pier Sts., Bangor.

At a recent meeting of the U. S. Savings and Loan League in Chicago Thomas A. Sanders of Portland was elected national executive councilman for a two-year term. He will serve on the governing body of the nationwide trade organization. Mr. Sanders is secretary of the Portland Federal Loan and Building Association and resides at 47 Cragger St. in that city.

At the annual meeting of European and North American Railroad held in Bangor members of the class were elected to the Board of Directors, Dexter S. Smith and Harold P. Marsh, both of Bangor.

1910 Chairman of Maine’s Public Utilities Commission, Frank E. Southard of Augusta, has been elected vice chairman of the New England Interstate Flood Control Committee. The group was established by New England governors to study problems of flood control.

1912 Congressman Frank Fellows of Bangor was selected to give a radio talk in an exchange of Christmas greetings with the group. The program was heard in Bangor and the State Mutual Life Insurance Company.

1913 New Director of the Social Welfare Bureau of the Maine Health and Welfare Department is Frank W. Haines of Augusta. He was formerly town manager of Dexter, has been associated with the Health and Welfare Department several years, serving until his promotion as director of the public assistance division.

1914 Arthur G. Eaton of 23 James St., Bangor, serving as vice president of the local Y.M.C.A., has been chosen national council member for Maine with approval of all state associations. Because of his leadership in the Y.M.C.A., Mr. Eaton is president of the Bangor-Brewer Community Chest. He is agent for the State Mutual Life Insurance Company.

1916 Among the candidates for Portland City Council from District 4 was Franz U. Burkett, Portland attorney. Mr. Burkett has had wide experience in Republican politics in the state, serving as assistant county attorney, member of the House three terms, the Senate one term, and attorney general from 1937 to 1941. He resides at 63 Woodmont Street, Portland.

1917 John Pomeroy, superintendent of the Lawrence Portland Cement Co., Thomaston, has been named a member of the Rockland Municipal Planning Commission by the new council-manager city government.

One of three colonels named to serve on the personal staff of Gov. Horace Hildreth is Cecil J. Siddall of Sanford, who held a similar position on the staff of Gov. Sewall. Mr. Siddall is an attorney in Sanford. Mr. Haines, formerly town manager of Augusta, head of the Water Resources Division of the Maine Public Utilities Commission, has been named a member of the recently appointed New England Interstate Flood Control Committee. The committee was created by New England Governors meeting in Boston to study flood control.

1918 Raymond F. Atherton, Extension Marketing Specialist for the Maine Agricultural Extension Service, was one of the featured speakers in a series of cooperative marketing clinics in the middle west last month. Sponsored by the American Institute of Cooperation the clinics were held to inform farmers of post-war problems in marketing. Mr. Atherton spoke in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota.

Dr. Edward L. Herlihy of Bangor is vice president of the Penobscot County Medical Association following the annual meeting of the medical group in November.

New president of the Houlton Garden Club is Mrs. Albert L. Robinson.

1919 The chairman of a five-man committee named by the Mayor of Augusta to study the possibilities of constructing a new traffic bridge across the Kennebec River at that city is Lesoy F. Hussey, former state senator and executive of a local hardware company. Harold M. Pierce of Bangor was named as one of the Directors of the European and North American Railroad at the annual meeting of that corporation.

1920 Dr. Norman B. Smith of 19 South Chestnut Street, Augusta, has been released from military service.

1921 H. Laton Jackson of Rockland is a member of the new School Board established under the new council-manager city government for Rockland.

1922 Dr. Achesa Bean has been discharged from military service and returned to Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

1924 Secretary: Mrs. C. C. Little, Box 58, Bar Harbor. A healthful and prosperous New Year to you all. Your secretaries hope you will make a resolution to send in personal letters to Betty Hunt Lamb was elected to Portland’s School Committee. She has three daughters. She has many community and state honors, and among them being Secretary of Maine’s Parent-Teachers Association Good Luck, Betty.

Howard L. Bowen was recently elected President of the U. of M. Alumni Teachers’ Association. Ruth (Besse) and John Conti’s son John, Jr., received the Eagle Scout award at the Scout Jamboree at the U of M recently. Young John also played on the Bar Harbor football team this fall. Congratulations to you, Ruth and John.

1925 Lt. James P. Boyden, Jr., has been discharged from service. His home address is 6388 Wellesley Avenue, Pittsburgh, Penn.

1928 Secretary: Thelma Perkins Dudley, 34 Cottage Farms Rd., Cape Elizabeth.

Several members of this class, who have spent the past few years in uniform, have been discharged from the service and are resuming their pre-war professions. Dr. Lawrence Cutler of Bangor and Dr. Vincent Beaker of Lewiston, both of whom have served several years in the Pacific Theatre, are back at private practice again. Also Major Matthew Highlands has returned to civilian life.

Dr. James Reed of Farmington returned from Europe with the last detachment of the Mame Medical Unit, about two months ago.

1929 Archie Kammen recently returned from the Pacific after three years in service, and has been discharged.

Larry Murdoch is out of the Navy, and is now residing at P.O. Box 211, So Duxbury, Mass.

Dave Fuller jumped from the army into the middle of Bangor politics. He arrived back home in time to run for the Bangor City Council, and was elected. He is also back at his law practice.

Bernard D. Knowles and Miss Berta Toler of Boston were married in Portland December 1. The wedding reception was held at the home of Carroll Hackett. Bernard was in the banking business until the war, when he joined the New England Regional Office of the War Production Board in Boston. On June 1 of this year he and Donald Dressel ‘25 bought the J. D. Symons Furniture Business in

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Slowhegan. Mr. and Mrs. Knowles will reside at 1 Beech St, Slowhegan.
Nicolai Wessell is now Personnel Manager of the Harvard Underwater Sound Laboratory. His business address is Gannett House, Harvard University, Cambridge 38, Mass.
Harold Bowie, who is still head of the department of mathematics at the American International College, Springfield, has changed his mailing address to 47 Midway St, Indian Orchard, Mass.

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Fred Thompson has just accepted a call to the Woodford Congregational Church in Portland, and will begin his Pastorate here February 1. Fred has been at Easthampton, Mass., for the past eight years. He received the degree of Master of Sacred Theology in 1936 and an honorary D. D. Degree in 1944 from Waynesburg College, Waynesburg, Pa. In 1940 he was elected to the board of Trustees of Hartford Seminary Foundation. He and Mrs. Thompson have two children, William 9, and Margaret 6.

If you don't hear from me very often, it's because I don't hear from YOU.

1930 Major Milledge M. Beckwith of Millinocket has been discharged.

1931 George V. Cozoo of Bangor and Dr. Donald Marshall of 37 Atlantic Street, Portland, have been released from military service.

1932 Secretary. Mary G Bean, 2 Madison St, Bangor.

Lt. John Barry is home on terminal leave after three years' duty in Italy. I happened to meet John a few days ago here in Bangor. He looks fine and when I inquired about his future plans he told me that he hoped to be located in New York City instead of in California. His address at present is 203 West Broadway, Bangor.

Lt. Francis J. McCabe, recently returned from military service, has resumed his former post as director of the Division of Traffic and Safety in Maine. He has been promoted from the rank of State Police Sergeant which rank he held when he entered the armed forces. "Pat" was a major in the army and entered the service in November, 1940, and was stationed for two years as provost marshal at Camp Edwards, Mass. After that period he was sent to the ETO for a year and a half. His residence address is 6 Southern Ave, Augusta.

I have just received a nice, new Christmas letter from Mrs Lovell Chase (Jerry Shean), so without asking her permission I'm passing it on to the crowd. Robert Shean, late of the U S. Navy, has received his release as of November 25 and is home in Malden, Mass. (sorry, no address). Mrs Earle Lovering (Gerry Chase) is the proud parent of a baby girl, born February 17, 1945. Congratulations, Gerry and Earle! The Loverings live in Detroit, Michigan, 13072 Longview Ave, to be exact.

Lovell and Jerry have three children now, two boys and a very young baby sister, born November 14, 1945. Congratulations to you Chases. The young lady's name is Margo Shean Chase. Thanks so much, Jerry, for bringing us all up to date on you people way out in Millbrae, California. Oh, and by the way, here is a bit of news about Micky McCann, not of our class but in '41, I believe. Micky and Lovell meet occasionally on the train. He is living at 1440 Cortez Ave, Burlingame, Calif., married and has two children.

The Paul Butler family has moved to 17 East St, Bangor, Maine.

MM2/c Virgil T. Gross of 434 Crescent Street, Athol, Mass., has returned from military service.

1933 Among Maine men recently discharged are S/Sgt Robert J. Sargent of 42 Kenduskeag Avenue, Bangor, and M/Sgt Girdler J. Swett of 58 Burrill Avenue, East Lynn, Mass.

1934 Secretary Mrs Robert C Russ, 3 Calais Ave, Calais.

I'm finding that my husband is a much better class secretary than I. He sends me more news than I ever can pick up on my own.

Sometime in October he was surprised by a voice asking him if he knew Peanut Bunker and after assuring the fellow he did he discovered it was Lawrence Small. Lawrence is also a communications officer and had been reassigned from Pearl Harbor to Okinawa. Larry had been in Virginia working for the Government on Soil Conservation before joining the Navy Reserve. He is married and has two children, the oldest being six years old. His brother Thaxter is a Captain in the army with the Chemical Warfare Center, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland. Before the war he was with the U S Gypsum Co at Lisbon Falls, Maine.

It's the darnedest thing the way we finally catch up with some of these people.

Bob also ran into Dick Chase again at Leyte. Dick was on the Aircraft Carrier U S S Chenango.

Another clipping from my good reporter was about Major Frederick R. Blak. Freddy was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. He was a member of the 390th B-26 Marauder Bombardment Group, famed as the "Bridge Busters." The Medal was awarded for his excellent supervision of the paper work of the squadron and the group was an important contribution to the success of the Ninth Air Force Tactical Air Power. Freddy has been overseas with the group nineteen months.

Major Ierdell Ward is on terminal leave after four years in the service.
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As many will be back home and ready to establish a permanent address again, I get to see '36ers a lot more often. Recently Louise Steeves and Puss Brown came down here and spent the night with us and we did have fun gabbing.

Stevie is manager of a drug store in Lincoln, Maine. She expects to rejoin the Bonneville Dam Authority as an electrical engineer and will be stationed in Portland, Oregon.

Hope you all had a Merry Xmas and that the New Year will be a happy one.

My very best to you all for the happiest of New Years!

Don’t forget, dear friends, that the May Alumni Reunion is in July. As you remember it — The Bookstore — a friendly place! Serving — Soldiers and Civilians, Faculty and Students, Alumni and Undergrads.

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Secretary. Lt. Barbara Savage, 97 Broadway, Bangor, Maine

Ralph "Buck" Dale, who is living at 16 Weston Road in Marblehead, Mass., writes, "Most of the war since I graduated I spent working for Sylvania Co., in Salem helping to develop Radar tubes." He goes on to say that last summer he left the company to become a lobster fisherman! Owning his own boat and equipment and fishing 200 traps! Buck expressed the sentiment of all of us by saying that he was looking forward to a big reunion of the class. Thanks for the letter, Buck.

A nice letter from "Lib" Caldwell Wilson has many items of news for you and also for the classes of '41 and '43. "Lib" and Captam Ray Wilson were married on August 2nd in Madison, Maine. Ruth Wilson Gooding '43 was matron of honor and Edward Wood of our class was best man. Ray has been in China for the last two years as weather officer for the 31st Fighter Group, 14th Air Force. Ray now has his discharge, and the Wilsons are home until January. "Lib" mentioned that Fran Bickford DeCourcy and her daughter are now in Madison and that Payson is still in China. Capt. and Mrs. Kenneth Hodgdon '41, Ens. Walter and Charlene Strang '41, Captam Charles (Jug) and Betty Adams '41 are in Madison for a while. "Lib" says that all of these boys are discharged now and planning to find positions in their respective fields. Booth and Phyllis Leavitt are now in New London, Conn., where he took a position as chemical engineer. Booth was in Italy the first of the year, then returned home and was discharged this fall. A very welcome letter, "Lib," and thank you "Lib" and Ray are living at 18 Houghton St., Madison.

The latest word from Gordon Blanchard, who is now a Captain, is that he has been stationed at Casablanca since May but hoped to be home for Christmas. Gordon's assignment has been in flying troops home, "which is a darned satisfying job." Gordon was married to Kathleen Finfrock in Miami on October 1st, Congratulations! His most recent address is 125-22nd A.A.B., APO 524, c/o Postmaster, New York. Thanks, Gordon. Two members of the class who are now employed at Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation are Aaron H Putnam who was formerly located in Harrison, N. J., now in the Sales Department of the Steam Turbine (of the same corporation), Wellsville, N. Y. and Kenneth A. Field, who has been located with the Allen-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wisc., and is now located in the Engineering Department of the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation in Wellsville. He recently became the father of a six-pound son. For these two items, I am grateful to Mr. Karl MacDonald, secretary of the class of '07.

Jim Girdwood has received orders to flight training and so has left Cherry Point for USNAs Dallas, Texas, as a student naval aviator. For the time being, Nancy's address is 19 Calhoun Drive, Greenwich, Conn.; c/o George Gascony. We certainly wish him good luck in his extended service in the Marine Corps.

Capt. Harold Potter returned from his duty in Italy as Radio and Maintenance Officer with the 177th Signal Repair Co. on October 8th and is now spending terminal leave in Bangor. Harold received his Captaincy in April, 1945. After an anticipated vacation of several months, Mr. and Mrs. Potter will be living at 141 Birch Street in Bangor, and Harold will be in the field of photography business, specializing in child portraits.

The new address of Amelia J. Syphers is Wrightson Road, U.S.O. Club, A.P.O. 868, c/o Postmaster, Miami, Florida. Ansel has been transferred from the Continental United Service Organization to the overseas branch. He left Miami for Trinidad, B.W.I., via Puerto Rico on the Pan-American Airways and from his letter we gather he is finding his new location tremendously interesting.

On November 24th Miss Dorothy M. Mulcahy was married to Geoffrey L Desjardins, Jr., of Brunswick in Bath, Maine. Geoffrey has recently been discharged from the Army and the Desjardins will make their home in Brunswick. We wish them lots of happiness.

Sgt. Clifford Blake was discharged on October 31 and Capt. Richard Fielding on November 2. Dick's present address is 197 Main Street, Melrose, Mass., but we haven't gotten the word on Cliff's address as yet.

Shirley Ashman is teaching school in Gloucester, Mass., this year, and her address is 3 Essex St., Gloucester. Esther Judkins is teaching English and Latin at this year at Buckfield High School.

My own particular news is that my engagement to Lt. Joseph P. Cuetara, USMCR, of Brookline, Mass., was announced today, and we are planning to be married in April. I am on terminal leave until December 27th and am finding it mighty nice to be in Maine again, too.

**1943**

Secretary Joanna Sohe Logan, 100 S. Maryland Ave., Wilmington 166, Del.

To the list of those concerning whom Barnum is rumored to have said, "There's one born..." add, Mary Harriet Perro to Lloyd L. Golson, ex-serviceman, on November 19 at Bath. She has been employed as floor supervisor at the Woolworth Store of Old Town, while the lucky man was in the ETO. The honeymoon was spent on a trip through Vermont and New Hampshire.

Carl Sawyer married to Priscilla Ha-
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Miss Mary Jane Dempsey to Mr. Donald A. Graham, to become A.S.T.P. student. Our congratulations. Frances Buir to Mr. David G. Hempstead. Marge, Phi Mu and 45, is now orthopedic supervisor at Eastern Maine General Hospital. Dave (USNR) is stationed at Bremerton Wash., and the future blossoming bride will hike herself to Seattle, there to wed him in January.

Pinstripe and zoot-suit division

Dick Pierce, discharged "recently," is an ex-lieutenant of the AUS and was returned to our fold, but later turned up as a P.O.W. He is now employed by the Birmingham Ice and Cold Storage Co., Drawer 1751, Birmingham 1, Ala.

Dick Youlden, discharged October 27, gave up that stripe and a half of Navy gold and now lives at 45 Woodlawn Ave., Needham, Mass. (address furnished for all you fan-mail writers.)

Service division, herewith news from the Pacific: Ed Duckworth at Tachikawa Air Field, Honshu, Japan, sends "Merry Xmas from the tropics, if it wasn't for the Alumni Office we'd just have to fold up this column. In other words, make a New Year's resolution to write, or else!"

Weddings lead the list of news from the '4ers. On November 28th Ensign Priscilla Hopkins, USNR, became the bride of Major Marcus Parsons of Skowhegan. She has been stationed at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola doing some physiology work related to low pressure training but will soon return to civilian status. Major Parsons served with the 43rd division as air corps intelligence officer.

Miss Margaret Frances Burrill to Mr. David G. Hempstead. Marge, Phi Mu and 45, is now orthopedic supervisor at Eastern Maine General Hospital. Dave (USNR) is stationed at Bremerton Wash., and the future blushing bride will...
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