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# A Thought At New Year's

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## COVER

Winter has settled over the campus once again. The cover photo this month shows Carnegie Hall as it looks in the winter. Carnegie is the home of the Departments of Music and Art. "Paddy" Huddilston has some recollections of the latter in this issue.

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## Under the Bear's Paw

**D**ID you ever try to put a monetary value on your college education?

Of course, we know that the values of a college education are to be measured in areas other than monetary, but, just for fun, let's see just what his education is worth, financially speaking, to the average graduate.

Two reports have come to our attention recently indicating that the four years of study is worth about \$91,000. How does one arrive at that figure? Take the report of two Census Bureau Officials before the American Sociological Society as carried by Associated Press, "Over a lifetime, the average college graduate can expect to receive about \$100,000 more income than the average high school graduate. Since the direct and indirect costs of the college education are roughly estimated at \$9,000, it is concluded that a college education represents a sound investment from a purely monetary viewpoint."

The census men cautioned, however, that a college degree is no guarantee of higher earnings. They said about one-fourth of all college graduates earn less than high school graduates in the same age group.

The other report, published in a magazine, stated that the four years a child spends in high school will add \$30,000 to his life's earnings. And the four years a young man or woman spends in college will add an average of ANOTHER \$90,000 to his or her earnings.

If you are looking forward to sending your offspring to Maine and are worrying about the financial struggle in so doing, take heart from these reports. That won't ease your struggle, of course, but you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are giving him or her a gift of \$90,000 on which to raise the grandchildren.

Show these figures to the average boy who wants to quit school and get a job. Can he earn \$7,500 next year? He can, if he stays in high school, for his life's earnings will be increased \$7,500 for every one of his four high school years.

And the high school graduate who sees no advantage in "wasting" four years in college when he can get a good job now. Can he earn \$22,500 next year on his "good" job? That's what each college year will be worth to him.

Some of us haven't seen much of the \$90,000 yet, but if we are average it will be forthcoming, they say.

## NEW YEAR'S

Never a New Year's morning  
Never an old year ends,  
But someone thinks of someone  
Old days, old times, old friends.



## LIMESTONE FUTURE FARMERS SCHOLARSHIP RESULTED FROM THE FORESIGHT AND INDUSTRY OF A GROUP OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The foresight and industry of a group of Limestone High School students in 1946 resulted in the establishment of the Limestone Future Farmers Scholarship Fund.

One of the outstanding Future Farmer chapters in the nation, the Limestone group set as their major project in 1946 a goal of \$2,000 to establish a scholarship at the University. They not only reached their goal but also made several additional gifts so that the fund now totals \$4,200. The income from the fund is awarded "to a male student majoring in agriculture who is a graduate of Limestone High School on the basis of character, financial need, and qualities of leadership."

To raise the original gift, the Future Farmers obtained the use of nine acres of land. Aroostook County fertilizer dealers contributed enough fertilizer for seven acres, and the chapter bought fertilizer for the other two acres plus more than \$300 worth of good certified seed potatoes. The boys supplied the labor to plant, care for, and harvest the nine acres, and the profit from the sale of potatoes enabled them to make the original gift.

The fund is one of many accomplishments of this outstanding chapter whose advisor for more than 25 years was Prescott E. Thornton '25, teacher of agriculture at Limestone High School. Under his leadership, the Limestone FFA Chapter was consistently one of the top units in the state and often in the nation.

The boys who established the original fund and the changing membership which has supplemented the fund have shown an exceptional seriousness of purpose and unusual foresight in selecting a scholarship as a medium for carrying out the primary aim of the organization, promoting the study and enhancing the prestige of agriculture.

The University is proud to have a fund perpetuating the name and the interest in agriculture of the Limestone Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

# THE UNIVERSITY

## *Dodge Lecture*

"The Soviet educational system is being successfully used as a powerful tool in building a Soviet Union strong economically, politically, and militarily," said Dr. Homer L. Dodge, president emeritus of Norwich University, when he spoke at a general assembly in December.

Dr. Dodge, who recently returned from Russia, said to the students, "You have to face the ordeal of living with Russia for a half-century, and I use the word 'ordeal' advisedly, for co-existence with Russia promises to be an ordeal for as far in the future as anyone can see.

"Education appears to be one area of the Soviet system which has been extremely well designed to fulfill its needs," he said. "My visits to Soviet education institutions confirmed findings that their average level of training, as well as their level of research, is very high and is at least as good as the average provided in this country.

"Since we are already slipping behind the Soviet Union in numbers of engineers and scientists and since we cannot expect to compete in numbers because of their greater population and emphasis on science, our only way to compete is in terms of quality.

"To find that even in this area we are losing our lead is profoundly disturbing. If the present dangerous trends are to be reversed, reforms in our own educational system must be instituted, particularly at the secondary school level, to strengthen science training.

"Not only are curricular changes required, but better teacher training is essential so that the teachers of science in our high schools will have adequate preparation in subject matter. And greater incentives must be offered if teaching is to compete with industry for competent personnel. Further, more science must be introduced at a sufficiently low level; the Soviets start biology in the 4th grade, physics in the 6th, and chemistry in the 7th," he said.

## *Cornerstone Laying*

A small group of students and administrative officers of the University turned out under an overcast sky on Dec. 13 for a ceremony significant in the University's long-range plans.

It was the cornerstone laying of the new women's dormitory which is expected to be ready for occupancy next fall. The foundation and part of the exterior brick walls are now complete.

President Arthur A. Hauck presided and observed that the new dormitory marked a

step forward for the University. He cited the necessity in recent years to limit enrollment of women students because of lack of housing and added that the new dormitory would "greatly help this situation."

Miss Jessie Fraser '31, an alumni member of the Board of Trustees, said she represented the 6,500 women who have attended the University since women were first admitted in 1872 and called the new building "another milestone in the progress of women's education at the State University."

Miss Edith Wilson, dean of women, told of documents which had been placed in a copper box to be sealed behind the cornerstone. Among the items placed in the box were a University catalog, student and faculty lists, University bulletins and pamphlets, a copy of *The Maine Campus*, a copy of *The Maine Alumnus*, and some coins. She said she hoped the box would "in some mysterious way add to the happiness of the residents of the building."

Others in the official party were William Salter and Donald Huff '36, representing Stewart and Williams, Inc., contractors; Carl Somers, representing Alonzo J. Harriman '20, architect; William Wells '31, manager of dormitories; Miss Velma Oliver '25, manager of women's housing; and Sue Bogert '56, Ridgewood, N. J., president of the Women's Student Government Association.

The new dormitory will house 170 women and will provide dining facilities for nearly



President Arthur A. Hauck applies a trowel of cement at the cornerstone laying of the new women's dormitory on Dec. 13. Brief ceremonies marked the occasion.

600. The building faces College Avenue and is the west unit of what will eventually be a quadrangle with Chadbourne Hall the south unit and Balentine Hall the east unit. The new building will cost \$930,000. The Maine Legislature appropriated half that amount and authorized the University to borrow a like amount.

## *Student Life*

It is really not the season for it here in Maine, but students had an opportunity to learn about the thrills and dangers of skin diving when Stanton A. Waterman spoke in the Memorial Union early in December.

Mr. Waterman showed films taken in the waters adjacent to Nassau, Bahamas, where he runs a skin diving school, and talked about the fast-growing sport. The Dartmouth graduate formerly ran a diving school from his home in Sargentville along with an underwater salvage and search business in Maine waters.

The Maine Masque produced "Good News" in early December under the direction of Prof. Herschel Bricker. The musical comedy depicting college life in the 1920's was well received and featured a large chorus on the musical numbers. The play was written by B. G. DeSylvia and Laurence Schwab, lyrics by DeSylvia and Lew Brown, and music by Ray Henderson. It was the second Masque production of the 50th anniversary year.

The annual Good Will Chest campaign under the direction of Norman LaPointe '56, Augusta, was conducted in early December. The goal was \$2,700. Fifty per cent of the fund will be allocated to students all over the world through the World University Service sponsored by the three major faith groups. A large campus emergency fund is maintained for local needs.

For the 28th year, the Christmas Vespers program was presented in Memorial Gymnasium. The program was televised over WTWO-TV as a special University production.

Decorations of evergreen trees and boughs and Christmas lights formed the backdrop for the Glee Club and Orchestra as they presented the traditional Christmas music. The Glee Club was conducted by Prof. Lewis Niven, head of the department of music, and the Orchestra was conducted by Earle R. Melendy, instructor in music.

Soloists were Charles Fassett '56, Waukesha, Wis., and William Hutchins '57, Brunswick.

Phi Kappa Phi, the university-wide honor society founded at Maine in 1897, in the interest of promoting scholarship among the



freshman awarded for the first time this year certificates of merit to the 21 sophomores who achieved the highest rank last year as freshmen. Among those honored were Betty Ann Buzzell (Stephen R. '20), Old Town; Virginia Freeman (Margaret Boothby '27), Kennebunk; and Mary Anne Holt (Edward B. '30, Elsie Crowell '32), Corinna.

Among the 18 initiates to Phi Kappa Phi, which now has 65 chapters throughout the nation, were Catherine Duncan (Kenneth '19), Washburn; Margaret Flynt (Horton '30), Portland; Nancy Gentile (Michael '24), Auburn; and Byrl Haskell (George '26), Lincoln Center.

Doris Richards '57, Rockport, has been awarded a \$50 prize by the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa as "the highest ranking student in the College of Arts and Sciences during the sophomore year." The award was presented by Prof. Marion Buzzell '14, secretary of the Maine chapter.

## Employment Picture

The general employment picture for the 1956 graduate will be at least as good as it was last year and probably somewhat better, says Philip J. Brockway '31, director of placement.

Brockway further observes that the students most in demand and the ones who get the top starting salary offers are still the technical graduates, those majoring in engineering, science, or mathematics, but that employment opportunities for non-technical students in the large industries are opening up as these industries expand their various departments to keep pace with manufacturing.

The University placement director believes that the number of scheduled interviews with industry and business representatives through the early spring months indicates a record year in the number of recruiting visits. Last year there were 146 such visits. Each interviewer talks with several students, and each student may have as many interviews as he is able to schedule.

Indication of the demand for engineers is seen in the fact that last year the University graduated 100 B.S. engineers. During the school year there were 98 interviewers on campus to talk with engineers exclusively. In addition, there were other recruiters here who interviewed engineers along with seniors in other fields. Many graduating engineers have a choice of a number of offers of employment. This year approximately 164 seniors will take the B.S. degree in engineering.

In comparison to the above ratio of about one recruiting visit for each graduate, in 1950, when the University graduated its largest class, there were about 400 graduating engineers. During that school year, only 28 companies made recruiting visits to the campus.

The heavy demand for new engineers in large industry has resulted in a steadily in-



The first snowfall of the winter was a challenge for a group of women students including Lois Perkins '58, Ellsworth, and Judy Murray '58, Portland (right), who donned shorts for a frolic. Bangor Newsman Carroll Hall photographed the fun.

creasing starting salary average. The estimated average starting salary on a national basis for a man with the B.S. degree in engineering was \$395 per month as of last October. A year ago the average was \$384 per month. During the past year Maine engineering graduates averaged \$385 per month starting salary.

For some years Brockway has been aware that engineers and other more or less specialized students usually know what career field they wish to enter, but as a general statement people majoring in the wide range of the Arts often approach graduation with little or no knowledge of what fields are open to them and often without a choice of career field. Further, Brockway had observed that many Arts people thought their only employment opportunities were in the field in which they majored. For instance, a psychology major often thought the only jobs he could find would be in personnel or social work or advanced study that would lead to a professional psychologist position.

In an effort to correct these erroneous opinions among the Arts majors and to bring them closer to the overall employment picture, the University Placement Office in cooperation with the College of Arts and Sciences this year instituted a series of talks by men from business and industry, who outlined the opportunities in their respective fields.

Nine meetings have been held with attendance varying from 25 to 100. At the first meeting Brockway outlined the purpose of the program, the general outlook in business and industry, and the place of the Arts graduate in the business world. At subsequent meetings, representatives from General Electric talked on "Opportunities in Manufacturing Production," a man from Scott Paper Company discussed "The Field

of Sales, Advertising, and Sales Promotion," a personnel director spoke on "Opportunities in Personnel Work," a representative from Sears, Roebuck and Company on "Retail Merchandising," a public accountant on "Employment in the Accounting Field," a banker on "Jobs in Banking and Finance," an insurance executive on "Opportunities in Insurance," and a social worker on "Case Work."

The program has been well received by the Arts students and probably will be conducted again next year.

As the seniors enter the last few months of their college period they can approach graduation knowing that they have the brightest opportunities for immediate employment at high starting salaries of any class in the past decade.

### VARSITY BASKETBALL

		Me.	Opp.
Dec. 3	Vermont, away	54	53
Dec. 7	Bowdoin, Orono	71	73
Dec. 9	Colby, Orono	64	65
Dec. 14	Bates, away	68	86
Jan. 7	Northeastern, away		
Jan. 9	Colby, away		
Jan. 14	Bowdoin, away		
Jan. 21	Bates, Orono		
Feb. 4	Rhode Island, away		
Feb. 6	Connecticut, away		
Feb. 8	New Hampshire, Orono		
Feb. 10	Connecticut, Orono		
Feb. 14	Colby, Orono		
Feb. 16	New Hampshire, away		
Feb. 18	Massachusetts, Orono		
Feb. 20	Rhode Island, Orono		
Feb. 25	Bates, away		
Mar. 3	Bowdoin, Orono		

### FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

(All games at Orono)

Dec. 7	Maine Maritime	90	61
Dec. 9	Portland Jr. College	112	44
Jan. 10	Ricker College		
Jan. 21	Maine Central Inst.		
Feb. 8	Wash. State Teachers		
Feb. 10	Maine Central Inst.		
Feb. 14	Husson College		
Feb. 18	Portland University		
Feb. 20	Higgins Classical Inst.		
Mar. 3	Bowdoin Freshmen		

### VARSITY INDOOR TRACK

Dec. 10	Freshman-Sophomore		
Jan. 7	Bates, away		
Jan. 14	K. of C. and Yankee Conf. Relays at Boston		
Jan. 21	Intramurals		
Feb. 11	New Hampshire, Orono		
Feb. 18	Connecticut, Orono		
Mar. 3	Northeastern, away		

### FRESHMAN INDOOR TRACK

Dec. 10	Freshman-Sophomore		
Jan. 7	Bates Jayvees, Orono		
Jan. 14	South Portland, Orono		
Jan. 21	Intramurals		
Feb. 11	Deering, Orono		
Feb. 18	Portland, Orono		



## All-Maine Hockey Team

Margaret (Thompson) Homans '54, instructor in physical education in the Bangor school system, was guest speaker at the annual hockey supper in Balentine Hall. Toastmistress was Mary Jane Keith '56 (Philip E. '42A), Presque Isle.

Named to the All-Maine Women's Field Hockey Team at the supper were: backs, Alicia Reynolds '57, Augusta; Beatrice Reynolds '59, Augusta; Sally Rand '56, Bangor; Mary J. Keith '56, Presque Isle; Martha Leino '57, Harrison; forwards, Anita Ramsdell '56, Bangor; Susan Campbell '58, Augusta; Gloria Trafon '56, Springvale; Elizabeth Smith '56, Allentown, N. J.; Patricia King '57, Wayne; goalie, Myra Goldman '57, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Named to the All-Maine Reserve Hockey Team were Peggy Lee '59, Sargentville; Ann Cruickshank '59, Needham, Mass.; Jane Barker '57 (David E. '31), Gray; Betsy Wood '56, Orono; Mary Ketchum '59, Marshfield, Mass.; Dorothy Bradstreet '58, Portland; Sally Kyle '59, Stoneham, Mass.; Carolyn Moor '56, Bangor; Carole Thomas '57, Augusta; Fay Hodgdon '58, Fryeburg; Barbara Blakely '58, Millinocket.

Class numerals were awarded to Gretchen Weiland '56, Verona, N. J.; Judith Clayter '58, Vinalhaven; and Laurel Kealiher '58, Rumford.

Jane Wiseman '56, Newport, president of the Women's Athletic Association, made the presentations.

# Athletics

A high-scoring center appears to be the greatest need of Coach Hal Woodbury's Black Bear basketball team as the Pale Blue lost three of four games in pre-Christmas play.

The team looked promising in defeating Vermont 54-53 in the opening game at Burlington, but then the Bears lost successive games to Bowdoin 71-73, Colby 64-65, and Bates 68-86 to wind up in the State Series cellar at the end of the first round.

Good scoring punch in the forward and guard positions has been demonstrated in the early games. Dick Libby, South Portland, and co-captain Mike Polese, Belmont, Mass., the starting forwards, are both sharpshooters with the long set shot as is Pete Kosty, Pawtucket, R. I., one of the starting guards. Co-captain Gus Folsom, Millinocket, the other guard, is trailing the others in number of points scored but can be counted on to throw in some points when the others slow down.

At the pivot spot, Thurlow Cooper, Augusta, has been Coach Woodbury's choice of a starter and had two 14-point nights against Vermont and Bowdoin. In

the Colby and Bates games he scored a total of six points.

Reserve centers Sterling Huston, Perham, and Stuart Jackson, Portland, have had trouble finding the range. Huston has scored six points in three games, and Jackson has scored two points in two games. In the Colby game all three centers played and scored a combined total of seven points.

Colby again is the power in State Series play as the Mules seek their sixth consecutive championship, and Maine's near upset of Colby has been the surprise of the Series play in the first round. Colby won all three games of the first round to take the Series lead.

Coach Jack Butterfield has literally a galaxy of former Maine high school stars on his freshman team, and the strong first-year team had no difficulty in overpowering Maine Maritime Academy 90-61 and Portland Junior College 112-44 in its only two outings before Christmas vacation.

Two All-Maine football teams were picked this fall by the two state newspapers, *The Portland Sunday Telegram* and *The Bangor Daily News*. Maine players were selected for nine of 11 positions on both teams although the individuals varied somewhat.

The *Sunday Telegram* named the complete Maine line consisting of Paul Boucher '57, Auburn, and Thurlow Cooper '57, Augusta, at ends; Robert Provencher '57, Lewiston, and William Tarazewich '58, Biddeford, at tackles; Norman Cole '57, Gardiner, and Roland Merrifield '57, Springvale, at guard; and Pete Kosty '57, Pawtucket, R. I., at center. The backfield on the *Telegram* team had James Duffy '56, Beverly, Mass., at quarterback; Jack Small '56, Bath, at fullback; and the two non-Maine men who made the team Al Martin, Bates, and Neil Stinneford, Colby, at halfbacks.

Named to the *Bangor News* team were Boucher and Cooper, at ends; Provencher and Don Douglas '56, Lisbon Falls, at tackles; Merrifield and Barkey Boole, Colby, at guards; Kosty, at center; Duffy, at quarterback; Ray Hostetter '57, Oosterville, Mass., and Al Martin, Bates, at halfbacks; and Small, at fullback.

Cooper, Duffy, and Small were named to the All-Yankee Conference team.

Who would you name to an All-Time, All-University of Maine football team? Interesting question, isn't it? Next month we will present an All-Time team selected by a number of long-time observers of Pale Blue teams.



Nine of eleven positions on the *Portland Sunday Telegram* All-Maine Team went to the Black Bears as indicated in the above panel by Bill Clark, staff cartoonist of the *Portland papers*.



# The Public Awakening to the Beauty of Art

By John H. Huddilston '42H  
*Professor Emeritus of Ancient Civilization*

A MARKED change in the popular interest in Art studies was a notable feature of our post-World War I years. This did not develop in any large degree as a result of the teaching in the colleges but rather in spite of special emphasis on art instruction. It seems as though the awakening of our higher institutions of learning to the educational possibilities of the Fine Arts was due to the aesthetic wave that permeated our social consciousness with increasing volume after the dedication of the Lincoln Memorial in 1922.

The astonishing increase in the enrollment in art courses during the two decades, 1920 to 1940, shows how heartily the colleges responded to the demand. Is it too much to say that a sort of canonized nobility had at last been accredited to the Fine Arts which favored their admission to the roster of college studies and approved their standing on a par with the so-called Humanities of old tradition?

For a generation, art in colleges enjoyed a more or less feeble existence, encouraged, however, by the generous recognition and support of two of the most important organizations in our educational life. In 1923, through cooperation of the Association of American Colleges and Universities, and the American Institute of Architects, a much needed text book "The Significance of the Fine Arts" made its appearance and this book was welcomed at Maine with great enthusiasm in the early years of the College of Arts and Sciences.

IN 1925 President Keppel of the Carnegie "Foundation for the Advancement of Learning" made a plea in his annual report for a place for art in American education and in the spring of 1934 the Association of American Colleges authorized the investigation of art instruction in American Colleges and financed the publication of the same.

The demand for art instruction was so pronounced during 1929-36 that some figures on this seem warranted. During the decade 1920-30 in thirty of our leading

institutions the student enrollment increased 50% while the enrollment in art increased 242% and in architecture 585%. At Harvard during the same period the enrollment in art advanced from 541 to 1217, and at Radcliffe the increase was from 100 to 450. At Ohio State University in 1923, 1138 students were registered in 38 courses in art and in 1933 there were 3228 registered in 56 courses. The registration in the newly organized department of the Fine Arts in Duke University in 1931 was doubled in 1932.

The most surprising up-swing in the general public attention to the looks of things occurred in automobile advertising in 1929, when a new style emphasis based on the standards of Classical Art swept the

entire country. In the first three months of that historic year a half dozen of the most expensive cars were continually shown parked near the Acropolis, or the Parthenon, or the Pantheon of Rome, to intrigue prospective customers with new motives derived from the Mediterranean past. The ad writing for the new Ford 8 in 1931 was three-fourths occupied with the styling of the car, while the remainder was devoted to the mechanical efficiency. Since 1928 when Mr. Ford had called art "bunk" he certainly had come a long way on the road to beauty.

As though to prepare the public for the 1929 classical advertising trend, the Office of City Pride had been set up in Detroit in 1928. This widespread salute and welcome to art which filled the air in 1929 justifies our calling this year the natal year of our American Renaissance. As a lively corroboration of the truth of this art emphasis, the year 1932, almost the zero year of our economic collapse, witnessed the dedication of an art museum in each month of the year, bringing the total national number of museums at that date close to one thousand. Also noteworthy regarding 1932 was the gift of the "Carnegie Corporation" for non-art students. This was a grant of \$30,000 a year for four years. In addition to this splendid gesture the Corporation busied itself in providing a selected art equipment for a number of colleges. One of these bequests was made to the University of Maine largely through the efforts of President Hauck. This gift was an important aid to the Maine effort to establish a worthwhile art apparatus. These "Carnegie Sets" con-

## History of the Art Guild Recalled

Professor Emeritus John H. Huddilston '42H brought the idea of an Art Guild to Maine from Northwestern University in 1899. He organized the University of Maine Art Guild in 1900 following which nearly \$1,000 was raised by canvass to put the original gymnasium into condition for a gallery and classrooms. This building, now serving as the University Press, was made available upon the opening of Alumni Hall and gymnasium in 1900.

For four years monthly meetings of the Guild and Professor Huddilston's regular lectures were held in that building. Attendance on the art course lectures was free to members of the Guild and membership grew to 200 dues-paying members including many from Bangor, Orono, and Old Town.

From time to time as finances of the Guild allowed, reproductions of Italian and Greek masterpieces of painting and sculpture were purchased. The Guild collection increased in size and value steadily and was given a great stimulus by the Carnegie grants of the early 1930's.

In 1906 the art gallery and equipment were moved to larger quarters in the new Carnegie Library, and in 1936 moved again to the top floor of South Stevens where the Guild collection was arranged chronologically and divided into groups to show the progress of architecture, painting, and sculpture.

Until his retirement in 1942, Professor Huddilston actively guided art affairs at the University and promoted interest in art.

During the years of World War II there was little or no activity in art collection within the University, but with the appointment of Professor Vincent Hartgen in 1946 the University's interest in art was reborn with two major changes.

Since the war emphasis has been placed on the collection of original works by contemporary artists rather than on reproductions and the University collection is no longer hung in a central gallery but to promote interest in art in everyday life the paintings are hung one or more to a room in the various buildings of the University.



sisted of 2120 photographs and 201 volumes of valuable publications, certain of which are among the finest illustrated manuals, covering both oriental and occidental art. The Maine art collection had attained a value by this time, 1936, of at least \$15,000.

The most sweeping American Art appeal dates back to 1933 when the Chicago Exposition of that year exhibited a collection valued at \$75,000,000. It is needless to say that this extraordinary exhibition gave a decided impetus to the expanding art collecting interest at the University of Maine.

The earliest official streak of dawn in our new day of art concern was President Roosevelt's requesting the sculptor Augustus Saint Gaudens to execute new designs for our gold coinage. This, 1907, startling interest in the looks of our money extended rapidly to our silver and nickel coins and by 1916 the beautiful Liberty dime by A. A. Weinman really went far towards bringing our coinage into the field of the Fine Arts.

THE new interest of our highest-up officials in such an unexpected field as the style of our Federal currency illustrates how public responsiveness to art had come to the

front since the second President of the United States declared he would not give a sixpence for a statue of Phidias or a work of Raphael.

The topic of art and official Washington has come together so frequently that mention should be made of two or three things which point towards a new national feeling for the beautiful.

Following the coinage interest of Theodore Roosevelt we were brought up short by the conspicuous part President Coolidge took in the dedication of the Bok Tower in the Florida bird sanctuary. That notable address of 1929 reads like a supplementary chapter to Ruskin's "Stones of Venice" and taken together with President Hoover's first public address a few weeks later, in which he bemoaned the shabby architecture of parts of the Capitol City, warned us in no uncertain manner of a changed public sensitiveness to the looks of things. The most radical of Presidential suggestions on the architecture of the Capitol was F. D. Roosevelt's 1934 order directing the architect of the Capitol to submit plans for remodeling the new Congressional Library of 1897 so that it would harmonize more

naturally with the classical style of adjacent buildings. This idea to alter the beautiful Renaissance of the Library was never put into operation.

MY work at Maine, 1899-1942, was largely an effort to relate history to art studies and art studies to history in such a way as to establish the pre-eminent value of a visual approach to architecture, sculpture and painting. History, via the printed page only, is often a pale affair compared with the vistas of political, religious, and national movements which the great masters of painting have created under the inspiration of events called "history." These visual contacts arouse an interest in human affairs which is fundamentally necessary for stimulating one's educational progress. Reflection on the Parthenon, for example, has possibilities for extending the spiritual and intellectual horizons.

It is this quickening of the mind, this challenge to see invisible realities that carries its own reward, and which lends to the study of the arts the basic truth in the celebrated declaration of Protagoras that "man is the measure of all things."

# Barnstorming to Clippers— the Story of 38 Years of Flying



George E. Rumill '19

THE rules have grounded Capt. George Edwin Rumill '19 for the first time in his 38 years of flying. The veteran Pan American World Airways skipper, who has just reached the pilot age limit of 60, retired on September 1.

Captain Rumill began flying with the U. S. Navy in 1917, before most of his co-pilots were born. This quiet, unassuming airman has flown them all, from creaky little 30 horsepower barnstorming crates to 12,000 hp. luxury Clippers.

He's as familiar with Africa and the China coast, the Pacific islands and the Mediterranean as he is with the jungles and mountains of PAA's Latin American routes.

His logbook shows 24,000 hours aloft—more than four million miles of travel. He has flown a quarter million passengers in perfect safety and he's filing away with his logbook one of the oldest CAA licenses in the country, No. 264.

After Rumill landed his last Clipper late in August at Miami he planned to pursue his hobbies, fishing and boating, in earnest. There'll be no busman's holiday for him.

"I've been around the world a bit," he says, "but there's a lot

of our own country I want to see—from the ground." First of all, he and Mrs. Rumill will take an automobile trip to California and the West Coast.

Born in Mt. Desert, Rumill was a student at the University when the U. S. entered World War I. He enlisted, completed ground school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and won his wings and an ensign's commission at Pensacola, Florida, in October, 1917.

Two months later he was flying North Sea anti-submarine patrols out of the Royal Naval Air Station at Killingholme, England. He piloted a British Shark single-engine seaplane, carrying one other crewman—an observer. Once they sighted a U-boat on the surface, which eluded them, and another just under the surface, which they bombed "with probable damage."

RUMILL's next bombing exploit was in peacetime. A Navy flier until 1922, he participated in the crucial initial test of sea-power versus airpower to answer the arguments of air supremacy advanced by the late Brig. Gen. William (Billy) Mitchell.



As a member of the Atlantic Fleet Air, Rumill flew one of the three F5L flying boats in the tests off the Virginia capes in 1921. Former German warships were the targets. On the first run, the F5Ls, using only 112-pound sighting bombs, sent a U-boat to the bottom.

Gen. Mitchell later sank a battleship to prove his point and Rumill says the Navy never got credit for sinking the first warship with bombs.

Rumill participated in another historic event during his Navy career. While stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, his squadron of five flying boats made the first overwater flight across the Caribbean to Panama in 1921.

Those old F5L flying boats, powered with two Liberty engines, had a 104-foot wingspan and carried a crew of five. They took off at 55 miles an hour, climbed at 57, cruised at 70 and had a range of 400 miles. Against a head wind, Rumill says, they cruised only three or four feet above the water for greater speed.

Rumill left the Navy in 1922 with the rank of lieutenant and for the next few years led an even more adventuresome life as a civilian. He barnstormed in the North during the summer and in Florida in winter. He shipped out as a quartermaster on a United Fruit steamer. He was a test pilot for the Loening Aeronautical Corporation.

In 1923, Rumill joined an expedition of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History that sailed by schooner to the Cape Verde Islands and the coast of Africa. Rumill then made a tour of France, came back home, and shipped out again as a seaman on a freighter to the Mediterranean.

**A**FTER that he went to Florida in the boom days of the 20's and settled down to flying, signing up as a partner with Harry Rogers, who Rumill thinks was one of the most versatile airmen who ever lived.

"In between our barnstorming seasons, we would overhaul and modify our aircraft," Rumill says. "We re-designed the Curtiss Sea Gulls to carry four passengers instead of two. We rigged up a landing gear on a Fairchild flying boat to make it an amphibian. The gear had no shock absorbers and had to be retracted with ropes, but it worked."

They mounted a camera in the Fairchild's hull and hired out as aerial map-makers. They would carry as many as 150 passengers up for sightseeing hops on Sundays, or give daredevil flying exhibitions at fairs.

Their combination mechanic, wing-walker and parachute jumper was Asa (Ace) Potter, now a master mechanic at Pan American's Miami Overhaul Base.

The Rogers Air Line was succeeded by New York Suburban Air Lines, with Rogers as manager and Rumill as pilot. They flew charters to New England resorts—and barnstormed some more.

In 1931, Rumill ferried a plane to Cuba for William D. Pawley, now head of the Miami Transit Co., who was operating a Cuban airline. Rumill signed on to fly tri-motor Fords and when the airline became affiliated with Pan American, he joined up with the Clipper pilot corps.

**R**UMILL learned that he was working for a world-wide airline when, in 1933, he was sent to China to fly S-38s for Pacific American Airways, a former PAA affiliate that operated between Shanghai, Canton and Hong Kong.

Rumill came back to the States in 1934, only to be sent to Belem, Brazil, for a year to fly S-38s up the Amazon River to Manaus, Brazil, and back.

For the next three years he was based at Port of Spain, Trinidad, flying amphibian Clippers across to Barranquilla, Colombia, and back. Rumill returned to Miami in 1939, piloting big flying boats through the West Indies or to Panama.

Then came Rumill's second war—World War II—and he was one of the first pilots to fly the "Cannonball," PAA's air supply route across the South Atlantic to Africa and the Middle East.

After that, it was Miami again, but not for long. When hostilities began in Korea, Rumill couldn't resist seeing another part of the globe so he volunteered to fly PAA's Korean airlift. For 13 months he flew DC-4s with high-priority cargo between San Francisco, Honolulu, Wake and Tokyo.

Then he returned to Miami to handle four-engine Clippers down to Panama, up through Central America to Mexico and back again, occasionally sandwiching in a run to Nassau or Havana.

Incidentally, Rumill racked up another first at Nassau when he made the first flight to Oakes Field in 1941 as land planes replaced the old Clipper flying boats on that route.

The veteran airman has never had any regrets about his life work.

"I've never been bored," said Rumill with a grin. Which is probably one of the greatest understatements of this or any other year.

Pan American World Airways literally rolled out the red carpet when Capt. George Rumill '19 completed his last flight before retirement. Rumill (left) is shown walking the red carpet between lines of well-wishers at Miami, Fla.

(Pan American World Airways System photos)





# Local Associations

## Worcester County, Mass., Alumni—

On December 2 the Worcester County Alumni met in Holden for a "Revitalization Meeting."

The organization of the group was discussed, and the following officers elected for the year: President, William Creighton '49; Vice President, E. Merle Hildreth '34; Secretary, Paulyn (Cheney) Howard '49; Treasurer, Bernie (Stein) Dillard '51; and Program Chairman, Norma (Drummond) Rothwell '49.

A Constitutional Committee was appointed with Laurence Cooper '41 as chairman.

## Vermont Alumni—

A well-attended meeting of the Vermont Alumni was held in Burlington on December 3. This was a "Pre-Basketball-Game" meeting, and the group attended the Maine-Vermont Game following the dinner gathering.

Speaker of the evening was Don Taverner '43, Executive Secretary of the General Alumni Association. Clifton Whitney '40, Vermont Alumni President, presided.

## Portland Alumnae—

The Portland Club of University of Maine Women met on December 1 to honor the past-presidents of the Club. Six past-presidents were present to receive tributes.

Mildred (Brown) Schrupf '25 of Orono attended and demonstrated holiday cooking for the group.

Also present and bringing news of the campus was Miss Margaret M. Mollison '50, Assistant Alumni Secretary.

Plans were made for the Christmas Party to be held by the group for the Home for Aged Women on December 15.

## Southern Kennebec Alumni—

At the December 2nd Luncheon of the Southern Kennebec County Alumni, attending alumni enjoyed a tape recording of University and fraternity songs as recorded by members of ATO fraternity earlier.

This luncheon was one of a regular series held by the Southern Kennebec group the first Friday of each month at the Pioneer House in Augusta. President of the group is Roy A. Wentzell '17.

## Lewiston-Auburn Alumnae—

The Lewiston-Auburn Alumnae report a meeting held on November 16 at the home of Mrs. Louise Casey '39 (Louise Burr) in Lewiston.

The attending alumnae enjoyed a talk by attorney Robert F. Powers '51, who spoke on "Wills."

## Greater New York Alumni—

The Annual Sports Dinner of the Greater New York Alumni was held on December 8

at the Phi Gamma Delta Club in New York City.

Guests and speakers at this successful dinner were Head Football Coach Hal Westerman and Alumni Secretary Don Taverner '43. Coach Westerman discussed the University's athletic program and showed a highlights film of Maine's 1955 football season.

This Sports Dinner was called by New York Alumni President Charles Pidacks '44, arranged by a committee headed by Warren Randall '42, and Albert Doherty '36 served as toastmaster.

## Black Bear Club of Rhode Island—

Alfred B. Lingley '20 and Robert Nelson '45 were co-hosts for a meeting of the Black Bear Club of Rhode Island held at the Crown Hotel in Providence on December 9.

Guests from the campus were Head Football Coach Hal Westerman and Alumni Secretary Don Taverner '43. Coach Westerman showed a highlight film of the 1955 football season and Mr. Taverner spoke on the new sailing program at Maine.

## Southern Connecticut Alumni—

Head Football Coach Hal Westerman was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Southern Connecticut Alumni held in Milford on December 13.

Coach Westerman discussed the University's Athletic Program and showed a highlight film of Maine's 1955 football season.

## Western New York Alumni—

Richard E. Smith '48, president of the Western New York Alumni, presided at a dinner meeting of the group in Buffalo on December 3.

Guest and speaker at this meeting was

Hal Westerman, Head Football Coach at the University. Coach Westerman spoke on the University's athletic program and showed a highlight film of the 1955 football season.

## Eastern Pennsylvania Alumni—

The Eastern Pennsylvania Alumni Association held its first meeting of the season in Philadelphia on December 15.

Guest from the campus for this meeting was Don Taverner '43, Executive Secretary of the General Alumni Association. Mr. Taverner spoke on late developments at the University, and showed 'old-time' motion pictures of the campus and campus activities.

## Maine Club of Auburn-Lewiston—

The Maine Club of Auburn-Lewiston held its annual Sports Dinner on December 15 at the American Legion Home in Auburn.

Coach Hal Westerman was present from the campus and showed films of the 1955 football season. He discussed the University's athletic program with the group.

## Coming Meetings

### Southern California Alumni—

January 6 or 7

Watch for Notices

### Chicago Alumni—

January 14

Watch for Notices

### Lewiston-Auburn Alumnae—

January 18

### Portland Alumnae—

January 5

Speaker: Robert Preti '46

### North Shore Alumni—

January 12

Watch for Notices

### St. Petersburg, Fla., Alumni—

12:00 noon, January 14

Pennsylvania Hotel

### Western Massachusetts Alumni—

Late January

Watch for Notices

### Bangor Alumnae—

YMCA, January 30

Speaker: Joseph Coupal



Shown at the head table at the New York Alumni's Sports Night on Dec. 8 at the Phi Gamma Delta Club are (l. to r.) Charles Pidacks '44, president; Head Coach Harold Westerman, guest speaker; Albert V. Doherty '36, toastmaster; Donald V. Taverner '43, guest speaker; Henry T. Carey '22, chairman of fund raising for the group's scholarship; and Albert M. Parker '28, chairman of the scholarship committee.



# 20th Anniversary of Balloon Flight Into the Stratosphere by Col. Albert W. Stevens '07 Commemorated

On November 11, 1955, a small group of men met at a bleak spot in the Black Hills of South Dakota to commemorate a historic stratosphere balloon flight. Twenty years previously two Army Air Corps captains had taken off from the spot in a gondola swinging from a helium-filled balloon and soared to 72,395 feet, still the official altitude record.

Commander and scientific observer on the flight was Capt. Albert W. Stevens '07. The pilot was Capt. Orvil A. Anderson.

Few if any, observers could foresee on that cold Armistice Day the eventual significance of the flight. The late General H. H. "Hap" Arnold said many years later that the stratosphere expedition "bore fruit in World War II far in advance of what was imagined to be the results at the time." He referred in particular to lessons learned from the use of strong magnesium alloy for the hull of the nine-foot spherical gondola, the success of the gondola's advanced pressurized cabin, its two-way radio communication with the earth, and items of personal equipment such as electrically heated flying suits.

About a ton of scientific apparatus carried on the flight produced new data on the direction, number, and energy of cosmic rays, the distribution of ozone in the upper atmosphere, the spectra and brightness of sun and sky, the chemical composition and electrical conductivity of the air above 70,000 feet.

Millions of people followed the progress of the flight on their radios listening to the laconic conversation of the two intrepid aeronauts.

The flight was sponsored by the National Geographic Society and the Air Corps. The *National Geographic Magazine* commemorated the event in its November, 1955, issue and said, "Today, in retrospect across two decades, aviation recognizes their flight as vital to research that followed, research that now promises unmanned earth satellites, and eventually, voyages by man into space."

Captain Stevens, who held the retired Army rank of lieutenant colonel at his death in 1949, was the country's foremost authority on aerial photography.

He first became interested in photography while an undergraduate at the University, but it was not until he joined the Army in 1917, after several years in the mining industry, that he found his life's work.

Although only a private at the time, he demonstrated to his superiors the value of aerial photography to military operations and was shortly commissioned. He made a number of photographic flights over German lines as the 1st Army's chief photographer.

He stayed in the Army following the war because it offered the best opportunity to carry on his career of scientific exploration through aerial photography. Among his other accomplishments was the invention of electrical shutters for aerial cameras, optical instruments for aerial mapping, and the detachable parachute.

He received the B.S. degree in electrical engineering in 1907, the M.S. degree in the same field in 1909, and was awarded an honorary doctor of engineering degree by the University in 1932.



To commemorate the 20th anniversary of Colonel Stevens' balloon flight, the University Library presented the above display of mementos of his career. Under the portrait painted by John Hilliard in 1936, the display case contained a piece of the balloon, newspaper clippings of his exploits, aerial photographs taken by Colonel Stevens, copies of his theses, copies of the *National Geographic Magazine* and *The Maine Alumnus* containing articles about his work, and correspondence.



## NECROLOGY

1902

**CARL PULLEN DENNETT.** Carl P. Dennett, a native of Bangor, died on November 17, 1955, at his home in Chestnut Hill, Boston. Mr. Dennett was a well known financier, industrialist, and civic leader. He was a director of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. and a director of the First National Bank of Boston; also president and director of Capital Managers, Inc., and a vice chairman of the industrial advisory committee of the First Federal Reserve District. During W.W.I. he was vice chairman of the American Red Cross Commission sent to Switzerland to see that American prisoners were properly treated. From this experience he authored his first book *Prisoners of the Great War*. In W.W.II. he headed procurement for the Army in New England. He was a former vice president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. In 1949 he authored an autobiographical work *That Reminds Me* Survivors include his widow and a daughter.

1916

**ERLON VICTORY CRIMMIN.** Erlon V. Crimmin died on November 18, 1955, at Rutland, Vt. He had lived in Center Rutland since his retirement in 1954, after 32 years of service as an electrical engineer with the Boston Edison Company. Survivors include his widow, a daughter, and a son.

**CARROLL MELBORNE DEWITT.** Carroll M. DeWitt died on November 30, 1955, at the Veterans Hospital at Togus following a long illness. He had attended Oak Grove Seminary before entering the University. Mr. DeWitt served in both W.W.I. and W.W.II, holding the rank of captain. Previous to W.W. II he had been principal of Mexico, Pemaquid, and Brooks High Schools. He is survived by a sister. Mr. DeWitt was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

**PHILIP KNIGHT MERRILL.** A very sudden heart attack caused the death of Philip K. Merrill of Portland on October 3, 1955. Mr. Merrill was self employed as a public accountant. His widow and a son, Donald F. '51, are listed among the survivors. Mr. Merrill was a member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.

1917

**FREDERICK HARLOW AIKINS.** Fred H. Aikins, superintendent of School Union 15, died at his home in Gray on November 30, 1955. He held a master's degree from Bates College and had done graduate study at Brown University and R. I. College of Education. Survivors include his wife and three sons, one is James F. '49.

1921

**JOSEPH SIDNEY ROBINSON.** On July 3, 1955, Joseph S. Robinson of Houlton died. He had been associated in potato brokering business and of late was assistant to the town manager in Houlton. His widow is listed as surviving. Mr. Robinson was a member of Phi Kappa Sigma

1922

**LEONARD WOLFE BUTLER.** Leonard W. Butler died on June 9, 1953, at his home in So. Portland, where he had been a resident for five years. He was a graduate of Kents Hill and Boston University. Mr. Butler had been manager of Sontone in Portland and a member of the Kiwanis Club. Survivors include his widow, a daughter, and a son. He was a member of Theta Chi Fraternity

1926

**CLEMENT WENDELL BOUCHER.** On October 17, 1955, Clement W. Boucher died. He was a native of Groveton, N. H.; funeral services were held in Mansfield, Mass. Survivors include a son, a sister and two brothers. Mr. Boucher was a member of Theta Phi Kappa Fraternity.

1935

**CHARLES VICTOR DESROCHES.** On October 2, 1955, Charles V. Desroches died. He lived in Providence, R. I., and was engaged in private research work. His mother survives.

**HARRY CLAYTON SAUNDERS, JR.** The Alumni Office was notified recently of the death of Harry C. Saunders, Jr., as having occurred on January 3, 1954. He had been residing in Manchester, N. H.; at one time he was a salesman for the U. S. Tobacco Co. His widow survives. Mr. Saunders was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

1936

**JOHN CHARLES GREANEY.** The Alumni Office was informed of the death of John C. Greaney as having occurred on January 28, 1955. Mr. Greaney was on the faculty of Houlton High School and resided in Houlton.

## Notes from the Classes

1944

**JOSEPH DONALD COURTNEY.** Joseph D. Courtney of Shrewsbury, Mass., died on September 30, 1955. He was self-employed. Mr. Courtney was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

### SENIOR ALUMNI

1896

Some people, by birth, are Hungarians,  
And some are, by choice, Vegetarians,  
But whatever they do,  
There are only a few,

Who contrive to be OCTOGENARIANS.

But I did in early November to make it unanimous for the four surviving graduates of the famous Class of 1896, the last class ever to graduate from the old Maine State College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts. The three others are Lore Rogers, Patten, Maine; Elmer Kidder of Boise, Idaho; and Herbert Niles of Portland, Oregon. So we are now all qualified OCTOGENARIANS

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The above bit was submitted to us by Professor Emeritus Charles P. Weston. Your Alumnus editors are often helped by Prof. Weston's items of news and address changes picked up from his personal correspondence with alumni through the years.

1902

We are sorry to learn that Samuel P. Davis of 111 West Kenneth Rd., Glendale 2, Calif., is in bad health. Mrs. Davis tells us that he is not able to read *The Maine Alumnus*, which he has enjoyed for many years.

1905

Mr. Ernest L. Dinsmore  
231 Woodford St., Portland  
The Old year has passed and Father Time has gone to his Valhalla.  
With scythe and snath he is laid to rest among those who died with valor.  
And while with long and grizzly beard he seeks surcease of sorrow.  
Dan Cupid in thin and scanty garb takes o'er with bow and arrow.

Yes, the new year is here. As each dying day fades into the one aborning may you experience the joy of meeting it with a smile. May the New Year offer opportunities for the attainment of hopes that have been deferred, and dreams, as yet, unrealized.

We were glad to hear from Mable (Powell) McGinley, and have her tell us what a wonderful one day visit she had at Orono last June. She writes: "It proved to be a more important day in my life than I had anticipated. I shall not soon forget the hilarious and hearty welcome I received from my classmates of 1905." Her life continues to be a busy one with some active work outside of her home, although she continues: "If my old friends would drop in to see me at 629 Washington St., Wellesley, Mass., I promise the welcome would be as equally warm as the one I received at the University Campus last June."

George Huntington and Mrs. Huntington had, for the most part, an uneventful summer except for visits from their children and grandchildren. There was one sad event, however, in their lives after their return from Orono last June. Their daughter gave birth to a little girl who lived only two days. We are glad to note that the mother regained her normal health. George had quite an experience at the time, while driving to the home of his daughter in Pa. His car was sideswiped by a hit and run driver. His car was badly damaged, but we are glad to note that Mr. and Mrs. Huntington were uninjured in the accident.

### BY CLASSES

1906

Mr. Earle R. Richards  
11 Parent St., So. Berwick  
50th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956

We have an interesting letter from Dayton J. Edwards, 1300 York Ave., New York City 21, who retired in 1950 as Associate Dean along with some teaching assignments at Cornell University Medical College. Retirement, however, did not bring a release from activity as he was made Secretary of the Faculty, whose duties cover hospital internships appointments of the graduates, interviewing and admission of about 200 students each year, and public relations contacts of the Medical College among many other features of the college operations. "Date" had a vacation last summer cover-

ing short periods spent at Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H., Otisfield, and Rangeley Lakes in Me. Although somewhat doubtful he hopes to join us for our 50th.

A recent call on Mrs. Mary (Wilson) Pease at Glen Haven Circle, Saco, found her very pleasantly situated and enjoying good health. With a little urging from class friends she could be induced without much doubt to attend the reunion next June.

Warren S. Sawyer, 545 E. St., Chula Vista, Cal., which is not far from San Diego and the Mexican border, writes that they left Fort Fairfield in 1946 because of Mrs. Sawyer's health. They are very happy to be in the most southern part of Cal. with its beautiful climate.

In this column last month it was stated that the "50th Anniversary Report of the Class of 1906" would probably be ready for distribution about Dec. 1. Since no completion date was set for the printers, it now appears that deliveries may be delayed until after the Holidays because of the heavy mail at that time.

1907

Mr. Karl MacDonald  
27 Nelson Ave., Wellsville, N. Y.  
Lucius D. Barrows, 11 Wabon St., Augusta, who retired last Sept., as chief engineer of the Maine State Highway Commission, has been nominated by Governor Muskie to the Economic Advisory Board. This Board advises the governor, council, and State Highway Commission on the issuance of highway bonds.

Earl W. Philbrook said they spent the summer in N. Hampshire at Sugar Hill and at his camp on Second Connecticut Lake. They left for the south in Oct., and expected to stay until sometime in May. They have a very pleasant and central apartment at 209 Tenth Ave., North, St. Petersburg 2, Fla.

Herbert A. Knowlton, 17513 Delaware Ave., Lakewood 7, Ohio, says he did not go to Arizona for the winter. He enjoys the winters in Lakewood but thinks that later on he may see what Florida is like. He was in N. Hampshire for a few weeks last fall. Says he does some consulting and sales work when he feels like it.

Charles E. Davis, 20 Wayside Ave., Bridgton, retired a number of years ago. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Maine and Mass., and he said he had so much surveying work now that it interferes with his retirement work of hunting and fishing. His two sons are with the International Business Machine Co., Endicott, N. Y. They visited the sons in Sept., and were taken on a honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls.

Caleb E. S. Burns and wife of Lihue, Kanai, Hawaii, Box 751, spent from June 19 to Sept. 1, on the west coast and in British Columbia. They flew to San Francisco, picked up a new car and drove to Prince George, B. C., and then west to Prince Rupert. A 2000 mile trip. On the way back they spent from a few days to a couple of weeks fishing in five lakes in B. C. They arrived back in San Francisco Aug. 11 and shipped their car home. Flew to Los Angeles, where they visited until Sept. 1 and then flew home. They are both in good health and keep busy taking care of their yard and garden. A trip to Africa is under consideration for 1956.

A page article in the Nov. *National Geographic Magazine* has to do with one of our deceased classmates. The title was "Twentieth Anniversary of the Epoch-making Stratosphere Flight by Explorer II." On Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1935, Capt. Albert W. Stevens, who was in command, and Capt. Orville Anderson, attained a world record altitude of 72,395 feet in the balloon Explorer II. The article states, "Today, in retrospect across two decades, aviation recognizes their flight as vital to the research that followed." Many of you will probably best remember Bert as a classmate who tried for three years to take a point with the track team in the two mile event. He had lots of determination but not quite enough speed. The University possesses, I believe, the only oil portrait made of him.

After writing the above, I received a letter from Frank W. Twombly who called to my attention that it was the 20th anniversary of the Stratosphere flight. The de-humidifying unit for the gondola was furnished by Frank's company, Buffalo Forge, and he assisted with it. Frank is still holding down his job as consultant for dust, air and heating at the Atomic Energy Commission plant at Fernald, which is about 30 miles from his home at 602 Lexington Ave., Terrace Park, Ohio. At the peak of the hot weather, they took a vacation



at a hotel on Lake Michigan. Said they enjoyed the food and boat sailing but the flies were bad. Everyone carried a small can of Std., Oil Mist when outside the hotel

**1909** Mr. Fred W. Knight  
9 Westmoreland Dr  
West Hartford 7, Conn.

One of the first things each of us does when a new issue of the *Alumnus* arrives is to look at the class notes, especially those for 1909, and its contemporary classes. It is certainly disappointing to find so few notes and so often none at all. Your reporter proposes to improve the situation and asks only the cooperation of his classmates. Whenever you do something important, take a nice trip, or know something about yourself or any of your classmates, drop me a line and I will make good use of your information. If it interests you it will certainly interest all of your classmates and many others. And besides you know our "Fiftieth Reunion" is coming up soon and we need to keep up-to-date on what's going on among us.

On August 18, the day before the big flood, Henry and Helen Nash, George and Isabel Nauman, Bill and Polly Gilbert and the Fred Knights had a miniature reunion in Hartford. The rain held off for a pleasant picnic luncheon at the Knights' and a delightful dinner at the Gilberts'. It is doubtful if this event brought on the deluge. In 1954 the same group had been entertained by the Nashes at their lovely home in West Dummerston, Vt.

The Naumans are living in a fine new home in Peterborough, N. H. They have a beautiful view of Monadnock and surrounding countryside.

The Gilberts spend about five months each winter in Lake Worth, Fla. They may be found at 1418 No. Lakeside Dr. Bill plays golf every day and returns North with a rich nut-brown tan—the envy of all.

A recent note from Jess Mason announces that he and Molly and the George Naumans are going to sail Feb. 22 for Honolulu and will spend several weeks touring the Hawaiian Islands. Sounds exciting.

Bill and Claribel Osgood have lived for several years in a new home in Deland, Florida. They plan a six weeks trip over the holidays to the West coast visiting friends and relatives.

George L. (Lou) Smith is retired and enjoying life in his old home town, St. George, Maine. He lives in a nice new home, built with his own hands, on the shore with a fine bay and island view. He is living the life of Riley and when he feels like it he tends his lobster traps.

Helen (Steward) Bradstreet and husband, after spending the summer in Maine, drove safely back to their home at 655 Brooks St., Laguna Beach, Calif. Mr. Bradstreet, while not an alumnus of the University, feels he has a tie with it as he had much to do with the building of Lord Hall.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** We are very pleased that Mr. Knight is joining the ranks of regular class column contributors. Won't you write him news right away to help keep the column lengthy?

**1911** Lee M. Gerrish tells us that after November 1st his address changes from Boothbay Harbor to 1737 Gurtler Court, Orlando, Fla. Nice to be in the sunny climate.

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George J. Wentworth gives as his address: Kennebunk Beach. His business address is Kennebunkport and Box 586.

Clifford Patch, now retired at his residence at 104 Grove St., Bangor, keeps busy and is serving as chairman of the Board of Athletics at the University.

**1913** William H. Merrill is living at 196 W. Schreyer Place, Columbus 14, Ohio, since his retirement became effective last June 1, after 41 years service in the electrical industry. From 1913 to 1915 he was manager of the Compania Electrica in San Antonio de los Banos in Cuba; from 1915 to 1918 electrical engineer with the Hasana Electric Light & Power Company. After serving a stretch in the Coast Artillery Corps in W.W. I, he became affiliated with the Ohio Power Company, a company operating in over 600 towns and cities in the Buckeye State. In the managerial department he was located and on duty in Lima, Van Wert, Ironton, and Portsmouth, a total of 36 years of continuous service.

**1914** Ernest R. Rand of Cumberland Center has completed a detailed model of the Santa Maria, one of Columbus' three ships, which he started over 30 years ago; the scale drawing which he used he enlarged from an illustration in a copy of the *Ladies Home Journal* of 1925. He found time to work on the project this winter as Mrs. Rand spent six weeks in New Orleans following the birth of their fourth grandson there. Ernest is area supervisor of pulpwood purchasing in Cumberland, Androscoggin, and Kennebec Counties for the Oxford Paper Co. The article from the *Portland Sunday Telegram* says that he hadn't expected three decades to pass before the completion of the model ship, but his work and many other interests intervened.

**1915** Neva L. Browning retired after teaching 38 years in the Orono schools last spring. She was honored at the annual banquet of the Orono Teachers' Club at the Oronoka Restaurant in Orono.

Carl Hopkins was given a testimonial dinner last fall at the Little Valley Farm upon his retirement from the New Enland Tel and Tel. Co. He has been associated with this company for 45 years, he was most recently assistant to the general manager of the Vermont area. Mr. Hopkins was presented a console TV set. It is of interest to note that the dinner was opened with the singing of Maine's "Stein Song." Carl plans to reside in Montpelier which he now calls home.

**1916** Mrs. Evelyn Harmon  
(Evelyn Winship)  
Livermore Falls

40th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956

I have just heard three sets of spelling words, practising on the piano, drums, clarinet and trombone. Now my boys have retired to their "Ram Pasture," and I am free to have a session with my typewriter. I almost said "little boys," but that no longer holds. My oldest grandson, from a superior height of an inch or maybe two, delights in calling me "Shortie" now. Music is something we have quite a bit of in our house, and I enjoy it so much. All the instruments that are transportable are brought out into the kitchen for practising while I am cooking or getting meals. It seems to be easier with someone to listen.

Things have been coming my way this month, and I trust they will continue to do so, only more so. I have some nice letters to report, and some "lost" found. I received a most interesting letter from Mary Beckett (Mrs. Morrill L.) Ilsley of Claremont, California. I think she is the farthest away of any of the women of our class. She and her husband, who is a doctor, had just returned from a trip on a freighter for several weeks. Doesn't that sound like real adventure! She writes that they try to get away a couple of times a year so that her husband can get a complete rest. Last January they spent in Hawaii. She says that life in southern California is very pleasant. Her hobby is gardening and the planting of uniform trees in the streets of their city. In the last eight years, they have succeeded in getting about eight thousand planted. Both of their children are living in Claremont. Their daughter has a girl of fourteen. Their son, who returned two years ago after four years of residency at Hopkins, practices medicine there much to her husband's delight. He has five children, ranging from eight years to eight months. She considers that they are very lucky, and I think so, too. She returns to Maine once a year, usually in August, to visit her parents.

I was delighted to have a letter from Superior Court Justice Granville Chase Gray of Presque Isle. He gave me information about several "lost" Law

class members for which I was very grateful. In last month's column, I wrote about his receiving the 33rd Scottish Rite at Detroit last September. He was Grand Master of Masons for Maine, 1949 and 1950, he was appointed Justice Superior Court in May 1949; had previously been member and later Chairman of the Industrial Accident Commission for Maine, 1945-1949; and has practiced law in Maine some thirty years after his discharge from the Army in World War I. In 1917, he married Anna Wright of Machiasport. They have two children—Nannabelle Gray Carter, who resides with him in Presque Isle, and Everett Wright Gray of the law firm of Gray and Browne of Bangor. Then he also has three grandchildren—Benjamin E. Carter, Candace Carter, and Karen Gray. I am sure we are all very proud of this member of our class.

I had a very fine letter from F. Roger Miller of South Berwick, who was supposed to be "lost," but certainly does not seem to be at all. He has been a resident of South Berwick since September 24, 1914. He has been actively engaged in the general practice of law there, and has been judge of the Yorkshire Municipal Court since January 1932. He writes that sometime in the future he will write us more about himself, and we will be looking forward to that letter. I certainly appreciate his answering my inquiry so promptly.

I was very sad to read in the Lewiston paper of the death of our classmate, Carroll M. DeWitt, at the Veterans' Hospital in Togus after a long illness.

I guess that is all for this time. Please keep the letters coming. We have a big mail box here, which can accommodate all which you send, and they are so very welcome. If anything new has happened in your life or family, write me about it. Don't wait for me to write you. I am busy, too, but I will be glad to answer.

**1917** Edmund J. Dempsey is manager of manufacturing for Lehn & Fink of Bloomfield, N. J., with plants in Bloomfield and in Illinois. Ed lives in Montclair, N. J., and spends his vacations on his farm in N. Sutton, N. H.

Seth E. Libby of 11 Kennebec St., Bar Harbor, was elected a director of the Maine Municipal Assn. at the recent annual meeting of that organization.

**1918** Dr. H. C. McPhee, assistant director of livestock research, was honored last June at a reception arranged by friends and associates in the Agricultural Research Service on the occasion of his retirement. He had been associated with the United States Department of Agriculture for 32 years and became internationally recognized for his research leadership in genetics and in the application of basic genetic principles to livestock breeding methods. Dr. McPhee, a native of Hastings, Maine, holds a master's degree from the Univ. of Maine, another from Harvard, and his doctorate is from Harvard, as well.

Donald B. Perry of the telegraph group, customer equipment section of operations and engineering, of A. T. & T., had his 35th anniversary of association with A. T. & T. last spring. Mr. Perry resides in Maplewood, N. J., where he is active in boy scouting and has received the Silver Beaver Award.

**1920** Miss M. Eleanor Jackson  
Suite 1230 Chamber of Commerce Bldg.  
80 Federal St., Boston, Mass.

Thanks to Ray Higgins' wife, Dennysville, we can report to you that Ray is in the poultry business. They have two sons, both graduates of Maine. The older son is a surgeon in Blue Hill and the younger son is assistant manager for the Nichols Poultry Co. in Kingston, N. H.

As most of you probably know, Betty (Chase) Hamlin has been in child placement social work for many years. In response to a special request to tell us about the Bangor Children's Home, Betty sent the following interesting article. She has been case worker at the home for the past five years.

"Of course I think it is a pretty wonderful place for kiddies from broken homes and not at all like the horrible old idea of orphanages and institutions about which Pearl Buck and others have written such weird notions.

"There are thirty-five more or less youngsters in our family—boys and girls of all faiths from three years and up. It is a privately endowed home with a long history of service to children who must live away from their own families for a time. The children stay with us only until homes of their own are available to them again, so that practically every month new children are coming to us and some others are leaving. While they are here, this is a real home to them, from which they go out to school, church, concerts, movies, parties, and various community affairs. Their parents visit regularly, take the children out with them, and are



## D. B. Demeritt '19 Honored

Dwight B. Demeritt '19, vice president of the Dead River Company and the Eastern Corporation, Bangor, has been elected a Fellow of the Society of American Foresters. He was head of the University's Forestry Department from 1934 to 1945.

Organized in 1900, the SAF has a membership of almost 11,000 professional foresters practicing in the United States and Canada. During its 55-year history, the society has elected 111 Fellows.

He took the master's degree at Yale in 1923 following which he was an instructor in forestry at Maine for three years. Subsequently, he was Extension forester in Louisiana, assistant professor of forestry at Penn State, and associate professor of forestry at Iowa State College. In 1934 he returned to Maine to become head of the forestry department. He resigned in 1945 to become woodland manager for the Dead River Company.

He is co-author of a book on forest mensuration and is the author of a number of articles and booklets on forestry subjects. In 1953, he was awarded an honorary doctor's degree by the University.

encouraged in every way to keep in as close touch as possible. Insofar as they are able, parents are also expected to pay about half the support of their children. When there is sickness or other misfortune, allowances are made according to the needs.

"There is a definite tie-up between the Bangor Children's Home and the University of Maine. For some years the Phi Mu alums have been carrying on projects, making curtains, bedspreads, tablecloths, etc., to brighten the Home. The active chapter and the Phi Mu Deltas have put on gay Christmas parties with Santa Claus and gifts for all the children each year. A O Pi actives come Saturday afternoons all winter and spring to provide recreation which the children love, and Delta Kappa Gamma alums bring gifts at Christmas wrapped for birthdays and year round occasions as well.

"The children blossom in health of body, mind, and spirit in an atmosphere of joy, freedom, and affection with enough of mischief and naughtiness only to make them normal."

"Chink" Francis Friend, Skowhegan, asked his wife Beth to write us. Here is what she writes:

"We have two daughters. Our youngest, Margaret, after graduating from high school, enlisted in the U. S. Air Force and was married while in the service. She now makes her home in Skowhegan and is the mother of two 'wonderful grandchildren,' Cathleen and William Olson."

Beth goes on to tell about Helen, their older daughter, who graduated from Maine and went on to Ohio University for her masters degree in human relations. Helen and Bernard Langlois were married in Oslo, Norway, while he was a Fulbright Scholar in painting at the University of Oslo. Helen did psychiatric research with the Norwegian Defense Organization. After touring Denmark, Sweden, Holland, France, and Spain this past summer, they returned to New York City.

Robert '19 and Mary (Pulsifer) Gordon have been married since 1921 and like most engineers have moved around. When first married they lived in Indianapolis where Mary taught in a school for the blind. This experience was "interesting because the children were interested in the subject matter for they lacked outside diversions." When they moved to South Bend, Indiana, Mary worked as factory representative for women in the Studebaker plant. When their daughter Helen was born, Mary stopped working. They were in and around the Chicago area until 1946, when they returned to

Maine for personal reasons. Walter has his own firm of W. L. Gordell and Associates in Livermore Falls. Their daughter, Helen '48, deserted Mary's major of home economics and took Walter's major of engr.

Mary also gives us news of "Kay" (Gordon) Myers, Downey, California. Kay has two children, Glen a senior at R.P.I. and Pat a junior at Cornell. Kay's husband is a member of a firm which contracts oil machinery and refining around the world.

Linwood Chase makes three newspapers this month. In October Linwood spoke to the Junior-Senior P.T.A. groups on "Teen-Agers in School and Out" which was reported in both the Marblehead and Lynn newspapers. On November 8, Linwood was the keynote speaker at the "Little White House" conference at Fairhaven, Mass. The meeting was held in the Huttonville Ave. Auditorium of the high school. There were representatives of 28 Fairhaven organizations in attendance.

Gerald H. Bessey is farming and selling life insurance in Buckfield. His son was graduated in '49 and his daughter in '54. Gerald sent us a picture of his grandson which we hope will appear in the '49 news. Gregory was born on his grandfather's birthday, January 22, '55. Not many daughters-in-law arrange for such a birthday present.

**1921** Mrs. Harold P. Wood  
(Leta Weymouth)  
North Berwick  
**35th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956**

News is very scarce for our first issue of the New Year!

Plans are getting under way for our "reunion" in June, so watch for notices via this column and special letters in the mails.

Please write me if you have news for the column.

**1922** Mrs. Albert E. Libby  
(Minnie Norell)  
55 Bayview Ave., So. Portland

Another new year and with it new hope for fulfillment of cherished dreams and another chance at realizing resolutions! May it mean letters to your secretary.

Leslie Hutchins' letter started off my New Year with such an appreciated pat on the back for my efforts with this column that I am quite puffed up. Thank you, Leslie, for your very inspiring letter which I would like to pass on verbatim if space permitted. Have I been giving the wrong impression in soliciting news from classmates of desiring only unusual accomplishments and records of outstanding public services and offices? "They also serve who only stand and wait", we are all just as interested in reading about that particular bed of asparagus one of you may be nursing or just keeping happy in your daily routine which by the way is an accomplishment. It is also a wonderful opportunity to give vent to your pride in family and grandchildren! Leslie is mgr. 1st sts., Esso Standard Oil Co., 30 Alban Rd. Waban 68, Mass.

I'm delighted that Catherine (Sargent) Marston's welcome, newsy letter arrived in time for this issue. Fred is with the Indiana Bell Telephone Co., so they have been living in Indianapolis since '43, but manage to come to Maine nearly every year. Last spring they bought an old farmhouse in Sargentville for vacations and retirement later. How appropriate is his hobby of "beautifully re-finishing" antiques! He also has found time to serve as past president of Kiwanis and "has served on various boards and committees in Community Chest, Chamber of Commerce, etc." In connection with the rearing of their two children, Catherine cub scouted as den Mother, P.T.A. twice, and did girl scouting. Now that their daughter, Diana, is in her second year at Mt. Holyoke College, she is busy with church work and League of Women Voters. Her current interest is "The Indianapolis Committee for the Bricker Amendment which is sponsoring a luncheon for Senator Bricker." The whole family likes boats and hope to get their own on the water in Eggemoggin Reach.

Had a very pleasant chat with Molly (Wheeler) Tyach who is living in S. Hamilton, Mass. She was taking care of her two grandsons that day. The Tyachs have two sons, Dave, who has the two boys, and John, married last June and working for the Telephone Co. Living in Hamilton. She and the Marstons are interested in reunion plans, hoping to make in '57.

**1923** Mrs. Norman E. Torrey  
(Toni Gould)  
9 Poplar Street, Bangor

Thanks to the Alumni Office we have one news item this month.

At the annual homecoming John McCobb received one of the "Black Bear" awards. His citation read "An alumnus who has worked unselfishly for the University's welfare for many years and

without thought of recognition." John has been an organizer and key leader of the "Maine Club" of the Auburn-Lewiston area and has served that group as president.

Mr. and Mrs. McCobb have a son, Donald, who is married and has one little boy, one year old, and lives in Bangor. This little fellow is James Lee. A daughter, Mrs. Will Harvey, has four girls, Marcha 13, Linda 12, Deborah 3, Kathleen 1. Another daughter, Mrs. Fred Schmidt, has a boy 11, and a girl 8. They live in Tom's River, N. J. John and his wife lost a boy in World War II.

Happy New Year to you all and I hope that you all make a resolution to send me a news item.

**1924** Mrs. Clarence C. Little  
(Beatrice Johnson)  
Box 558, Bar Harbor

Our column could use news from some of you; keep us posted and we'll pass it along.

Fred M. Lindahl, until recently affiliated with the American Bosch Division as supervisor of new product development, joined Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co. recently as plant and tool engineer. This is a new position at the Indian Orchard plant, necessitated by the increased technical development and expansion of special work in the manufacture of Chapman products. Lindahl lives at 28 Plateau Ave., West Springfield, Mass.

**1925** Mrs. Merrill Henderson  
(Anne Thurston)  
Quechee, Vt.

Here are several address changes: Alice (Bunker) Dowd and her husband, C. Michael '26, are now at 136 Brentwood St., Portland.

Raymond C. Fitzhenry has moved from W. Medford, Mass., to 9 Shepley St. in Auburn.

Melville Johnson is no longer receiving mail at West Buxton, but now it bears the address: Wells.

**1926** Mrs. Albert D. Nutting  
(Leone Dakin)  
17 College Hgts., Orono  
**30th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956**

Your reporter awaits newsy letters to keep the column represented in the *Alumnus*.

Lois Ann Kelley '57, daughter of I. Bastow Kelley of 184 Islington Rd., Auburndale, Mass., was married to Kent R. Groote '57 in the Congregational Church on September 17, 1955.

Let's get some news together previous to our June Reunion.

**1928** Mrs. William B. Ledger  
(Emma Thompson)  
75 Woodmont St., Portland 4.

Happy New Year to all the '28ers; please send newsy letters to your class secretary in 1956 to keep our column thriving.

Do any of you know the whereabouts of the following lost members: Harvey A. Allen, James C. Babb, Russell B. Baker, Carl W. Barnard, Thomas Bates, or Dorothy M. Bell. Drop me a card if you know a lead on these folks.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The Ledgers must be excited about the trip that Bill, their son, a freshman at Maine, is getting to Chicago on January 9 as guest of the Chrysler Corp. to the National Automobile

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Show. Bill was the nation's champion of the National Safe Driving Road-E-O.

**1929** Miss Barbara Johnson  
32 Orland St., Portland  
George F. Mahoney of Ellsworth was reappointed state Insurance Commissioner in June. He has served in that capacity since 1951 and prior to that was in the general insurance business in Ellsworth for 20 years.

Herbert E. Elliott lives at 57 Clemons St., South Portland, and is connected with the C. Profenno Co., contractors.

His wife was the former Clarice Getchell of Bar Harbor. They have a son, Herbert, Jr., a junior at Maine.

I heard indirectly from the Hawkes gals, Esther and Marion, who are now both living in California. Esther is Mrs. DeWitt H. Brake. She lives at 11 Laurence Ave., Yuba, Calif. She takes an active part in local community and church affairs and is mother of Mary, a pupil in high school and ten year old Richard.

Marion (Mrs. Raymond Hemmingson) lives at 1235 Oak Grove Ave. She, too, is as busy as ever and in November was member of an AOP committee working on an impressive sounding bridge and bazaar at the residence of the late Sen. James Pheelan for the benefit of the sorority.

Alice (Lincoln) Leanhard lives in her home town of Houlton and is employed by a local attorney. Alice is interested in club and church work and has gardening as her special hobby. Her address is West St., Houlton.

Col. Frank P. Bostrom, who has been professor of Air Science at Harvard University and head of the USAF ROTC there, has been transferred to Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, as inspector general.

Reginald Merrill was recently elected a director of the Kiwanis Club of Brewer. Reg is office manager and assistant secretary for the Dole Co., Bangor electrical contractors. He resides at 12 Madison Ave., Brewer.

Rudolph F. Lewsen of 46 Glenwood Ave., Portland, is treasurer of Kendall and Whitney, one of Portland's oldest hardware and farm supply firms (wholesale). His wife is the former Catherine Sheehan. They have two children, Robert 15, a pupil in high school, and Patricia, a junior high pupil.

**PLEASE send me some items. I had to dig to get these!**

**1930** Mrs. Ernest J. Pero  
(Jeanette Roney)  
11 West End Ave., Westboro, Mass.

**Happy New Year—**  
Just when I thought I would have to make good my threat and make up some stories along came two very welcome letters. One was from Ted and Dutchie (Mathewson '32) Palmer of 312 Cherry Lane, Glenside, Pa. The other, a happy surprise from Sally (Pike) Gleason with lots of news.

John M. Palmer has been appointed manager of manufacturing in the receiving tube division of Raytheon Manufacturing Co. His work will be in the tube plants at Newton and Quincy. He has had more than twenty years experience in this field having joined Sylvania Electric Products Co. in 1933. In 1947 he went to Lansdale Tube Co., a subsidiary of Philco, as plant manager, later be-

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coming general manager. He and his wife and son, John 9, live in Wellesley Hills.

Ellen Mullaney of Bangor has been elected to the executive board of the Maine Business and Professional Women's Club.

Professor Fred Lamoreau who has served as advisor for Phi Eta Kappa at the University for 15 years was honored by the fraternity at their Homecoming Banquet. Fred was presented a bronze plaque in appreciation of his devoted service and tireless efforts for the betterment of Phi Eta Kappa Fraternity.

Barbara Higgins of the State Extension Service, University of Mass., Amherst, recently spoke in Worcester in connection with her work. I hear she is doing a grand job, too.

Pauline Dunn, president of the Eastern Association of University of Maine Women, spent the summer touring nine European countries.

It was too bad that Dick, '29, and Sally (Pike) Gleason missed reunion, and I know they were disappointed, too. Their son, Dick, Jr., is a junior at Maine in the College of Agriculture and is a Delta Tau Delta. Their daughter, Barbara, plans to enter Maine in '57. Since 1953, Sally has been teaching homemaking in Foxboro High School, and their home address is 15 Woodland Rd., E. Walpole, Mass.

Thanks again for your friendly response. May the New Year bring happiness to you all.

**1931** Mrs. Sam Sezak  
(Ethel Thomas)  
4 Gilbert St., Orono

**25th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956**

Dot Gross has written a newsy letter for us. Dot is taking a year of absence from her teaching duties at Millinocket and is living at home in Stonington catching up on art and music and all the things one never finds time to do while a busy school teacher. She writes that Bill Smith has a daughter, Suzanne, who is a freshman at Bethany College in Bethany, Va., where the Smiths are now residing. The Smith family includes two younger sons. She writes that Mary and Bill Stiles are as active as ever in Portland. Mary recently attended a church school conference as a delegate from the Congregational Church in Woodfords, where Mary has been a Sunday school teacher for many years. After her return Mary conducted evening classes for church school teachers. The oldest son in the Stiles family is a senior at the Wooster School in Danbury, Conn. Margaret, the oldest girl, is a junior in high school. David is of Little League age, and Grace is the baby of the family. How grateful I am for your letter, Dot, and how I wish more of them would come my way!

Bill Wells, manager of dormitories at the University of Maine, was elected second vice president of the Association of College and University Housing Officers at the seventh annual meeting of the national association at Iowa State College.

Phil Brockway, director of the placement Bureau at the University of Maine, was named first vice president of the Eastern College Personnel Officers at the association's annual meeting held at Swampscott, Mass.

The *Manchester Herald* recently carried news of the forthcoming hit "King of Hearts" to be staged by The Center Thespians. In one of the leading roles, that of Janella, the housekeeper, appears Sara Crozier. In her first appearance with the theatre group, the *Herald* had this to say, "Miss Crozier has had extensive dramatic experiences in amateur theatre. As a special service officer in the air force, Miss Crozier directed soldier shows and had charge of orientation and recreational programs at the various bases. In addition, her training at the University of Maine qualified her as a dramatic coach in which capacity she taught at several prep schools.

On Nov. 31st the wedding of Clovis Breton and Bella Cassavant took place in Lewiston. The future home of the couple will be Braintree, Mass. Clovis is now employed in the Internal Revenue Office in Boston.

**1932** Miss Angela Minutti  
7 Catell St., Apt. 5, Bangor

Through the Alumni Office came a brief newspaper item to the effect that Marian (Davis) Cooper (Mrs. Chester R.), second vice president of the Parent-Teacher Association, has been elected a director of the Massachusetts Congress of Parents and Teachers. This brief item was not enough for me, so I wrote Marion for more details of herself and family. A nice newsy letter from her tells that she and her husband, a Methodist minister, have three children—Mary Ann, 19, a Junior major in Chemistry at the University of Massachusetts; Richard, 16, a senior in high school; and Alan, 13, in the eighth grade. With her children well grown up, Marian has found time, in addition to attending to her household duties, to return to teaching and is now finding much enjoyment in her teaching

job in Ashland, a neighboring town. The Coopers live at 343 Concord St., Frammingham, Mass. They have a cottage in Port Clyde and the family spends every August there. At the convention of the Mass. Congress of Parents and Teachers in Swampscott, Marian met Kay Trickey, who, at last reports, was the librarian at Swampscott High School. Marian says that her most exciting experience recently was her Thanksgiving vacation when she flew to Knoxville, Tenn., to visit her sister, Helen, and family. Last August, Marian went to a tea at Pris Noddin's summer place in Rockland. It surely was "almost a United Nations Tea," with silver from England, china from Germany, cookies served on a musical dish from Switzerland, and with the two hostesses (Pris and her cousin) wearing their Austrian skirts. Pris spent two years teaching the children of American military and civilian personnel stationed in Weisbaden, Germany, and returned to her teaching job in Northampton Mass. High School in the fall of 1953.

Being a confirmed Bangorian, I scarcely ever see a Portland paper these days and I was most pleasantly surprised when I happened to scan the Nov. 17, 1955, issue of the *Portland Evening News* to see the smiling profile of Harry Paul and a picture of "Miss Heavenly" in Harold Cail's column "Two on the Aisle." The entire column was devoted to the doings of our Harry, most of which have been previously reported in this column. Harry, you will recall, is a public relations expert, with the Harry Paul and Associates, Little Bldg., 80 Boylston St., Boston 16, Mass. To quote Mr. Cail, "Harry's versatility and the assortment of activities that come the way of a big-town publicity man means that when you ride up on the elevator you never know whether you're going to bump into Rudy Vallee or trip over a herd of chinchillas. For he does public relations for both the New England chinchilla raisers and Hubert Prior Vallee among others. (Note by your class secretary—Speaking of chinchillas reminds me that our own Frank Sawyer of Wells is one of the country's outstanding chinchilla raisers and his chinchillas consistently win top honors at the New England shows). In his capacity as publicity man for the Bradford Hotel he paved the way for my meeting Lillian Roth, the actress, author, singer, about a year ago. Another time he sent me home with a game developed by John Cameron Swayze, the airwaves newsmen. Mr. S's latest venture to make a buck is an autographed necktie. I presume Harry'll soon have the well-dressed men of Boston wearing it. He's also behind the promotion for Joe E. Lewis' book, *The Joker is Wild*." Harry, I understand, is currently conducting a big advertising campaign for the Chock Full O' Nuts coffee. I suspect that Harry would not be the least bit unhappy if we all started drinking that brand of coffee. Mr. Cail's account of Harry's inner office, his hideaway, intrigued me no end and I've resolved that if I ever go to Boston my goal will be to work my way into his inner sanctum for a cup of coffee that is served by "Miss Heavenly" herself.

**WANTED.** News about, or at least the correct address of, Florence Marion "Chip" Lewis. A letter addressed to 67 Seventh Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. (the most recent address known to the Alumni Office) has been returned unclaimed.

Once again, I'm too late to wish you a Merry Christmas, even though it is the first week in December as I prepare this letter and make my holiday wishes for you. It's not too late to wish you and yours a new year full of all the things you most desire.

**For the class, my new year's wish is that in 1956 our newsletter in the Maine Alumnus will be Chock Full O' News of the doings of the class of 1932.**

Since I am not a good newshound and since I am the world's worst correspondent, I am pretty much dependent upon the Alumni Office for my news items. So won't you all resolve this year to keep me up to date on your doings and those of your family, as well as any news you might have of other '32ers. Long newsy letters are most desired, but even brief notes and post cards are acceptable. For those too busy to write, how about any newspaper clippings of your activities, photos, snapshots, etc.

**It's not too early to be thinking about our silver anniversary in June 1957 (only 17 months away) and to be reserving some time and energy for the trip to Orono.**

**1933** Mrs. Winthrop C. Libby  
(Betty Tryon)  
14 Spencer St., Orono

**The deadline for the '33 news for the Alumnus caught me napping this month. Of course, the Christmas shopping rush is partly to blame. My mail bag is very low too. If you have had Christmas cards with news of some of our classmates, how about sharing it with us?**

Dr. Edwin W. Grilley who has been rector of St.



Marks Church in Augusta has begun his new duties as rector of Grace Episcopal Parish in Norwood, Mass. He has had churches in Pawtucket, R. I., Fall River, Mass., and Hartford, Conn. He is a graduate of the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge and the Bangor Theological Seminary as well as the University of Maine. Mrs. Grilley is a graduate of the University of Rhode Island. They have two children, Frances and Edwin III. Their address is 67 Cypress St., Norwood, Mass.

The Alumni Office reports that Lona (Mitchel) DeLibro became Mrs. Edward Gedman on October 17. Her new address is 8425 N.W. 29th St., Miami, Florida.

I called Helen (Hilton) Bailey in Bangor. She has two sons. Her oldest is a freshman at Colby and the younger is a sophomore at Bangor High. She says she hears occasionally from Eulalie (Collins) Kane. Eulalie and Warren still live at 1033 Hill St., Sioux City 19, Iowa. They are very active in church work there.

She also told me that Polly (Brown) Leavitt and children are in California for the winter.

James McClure is in the insurance business in Bangor. The McClures have two sons, Roderic 14 and Allan 12 and reside at 45 Sixth St. in Bangor.

**1934** Miss Claire S. Sanders  
123½ Main St., Orono

Dr. Ira Flaschner, chief of the anesthesia department of the Waltham, Mass. hospital, served as moderator at the fifth medical symposium sponsored by the Waltham Hospital Association. These symposiums are intended to acquaint the public with the latest discoveries in treating common widespread illnesses. They are free of charge, and the doctors donate their time. Dr. Flaschner received his medical degree from the Boston University School of Medicine. He served for five years with the U. S. Army.

Sympathy is extended to Drusilla (Roderick) Noyes in the recent death of her mother, and to Mabel (Robinson) Watson in the recent death of her father.

Our class has several "lost" members. Can anyone supply addresses for the following: Roy B. Augenstein, Clayton E. Butcher, Kathryn (Dick) Chase, Edward H. Cook, Irvin R. A. Cumming, Roland F. Cyr?

**Happy New Year, everyone, and please, PLEASE send me some news.**

**1935** Mrs. Thomas S. McGuire  
(Agnes Crowley)  
21 Widgeon Way, Greenwich, Conn.

**Time to say Happy New Year and every good wish to each of you for 1956!**

How quickly another year has slipped by! I hope it has held many pleasant experiences that will be forerunners to even better ones this year.

The mail bag, unlike the Christmas mail, is very slim this month. As you know, the *Alumnus* goes to press a month before you receive it. Let's hope everyone found in his stocking a camera, maybe an Eastman (thoughts of Gay and Russell Vaughn). How interesting it would be to have snaps of '35ers on their way to becoming 25ers!

Marion Martin is serving on the board of prominent American Women who are judging the entries throughout the United States for the 1955 Carol Lane Awards for traffic safety. The awards honor

outstanding contributions of both individual women and women's clubs in the field of traffic safety and are administered by the National Safety Council. Until next month.

**1936** Mrs. Edwin P. Webster, Jr.  
(Phyllis Hamilton)  
258 Norway Rd., Bangor  
20th Reunion, June 8-10, 1956

Thanks to Solveig (Heistad) Hennings (again) we have a column this month. She sent me the following items.

Dot (Nutt) Packard has moved from Camden to Bellerica, Mass., where Vernon has taken a new position as supt. of dept. of public works. They have two children, Jane 16 and Bobbie, 14.

Estelle Blanchard was married on July 30th to John Haraphtha of Syracuse, New York. Estelle will finish out her contract as head of the Y-teent dept. at the Y.W.C.A. in Syracuse. Their address is 420 Richfield Blvd., Syracuse, N. Y.

Del and Alice (Campbell) Wakefield have a third son, Peter (born last February). Richard is in the second grade and Jim, the eldest, a sophomore in high school. Del is city engineer in Winchester, Mass.

Lawrence Farrar and his family stopped in last summer to call on the Hennings. They were heading for a vacation at Jefferson Lake. The Farrars have three children, Alice 14, Lois 12, and Jimmy 10. Larry is doing work in Hydrology for the Army Engineer Corps—currently throughout the south. Their address is 1542 Glangarry Rd., Jacksonville, Florida.

We did see Henry and Win (Coburn) Anderson, Harold and Alice (Crowell) Lord, Pete and Hope (Wing) Weston, Gordon and Barbara (Lancaster) Raymond, the John Sealeys, the Porter Hennings, Gerry Flagg, Don Huff, and Ann (Ebbason) Clarke. And if I've omitted anyone, write and complain, and I'll give you a lot of space next month.

**1937** Mrs. Gordon B. Raymond  
(Barb Lancaster)  
37 Glenwood Ave., Portland

One of the new sheriffs in Lincoln county is Robert J. McLaren. For the past six years Bob has been employed by the Central Maine Power Co., Mason Station, as an assistant chemist. He also manages a bottle gas company. The McLaren's live on Gardiner Rd. in Wiscasset, with their two children. Of course the article did not state the names or ages of your two offspring, Bob! How about some first hand information? What with being active in the Masons and Grange, I would say you have a busy schedule which now includes this fine new appointment, Bob!

Richard A. Pfunter who resides at 9 Myrtle Street, Saugus, Mass., shared with one other man in the development of a new insulating material announced by the General Electric Company's Instrument Department. The new material, called HY-BUTE/60, was formally announced by the Company October 7. It was the result of intensive research by chemists and engineers over a period of years.

Both Dick and his co-worker gave lectures on their findings as a result of this research to the American Institute of Engineers at that organization's fall meeting in Chicago.

Dick and his wife, Harriet, have two daughters, Judith 14, and Sharon 11. He is senior engineer (instrument transformer engineering) in the advanced engineering group of the measurements laboratory. Congratulations to you, Dick, on your fine achievements in this field of work!

We are very sorry to learn that Lester Smith was seriously injured last August. From Anne Henderson '25 I learn that Les was returning from a field trip when the accident occurred which caused a serious head injury and he was in critical condition for a long time. Her first note, written from Quechee, Vt., was followed by a second with this information. To quote from the November *American Agriculturist*: "Good news—Friends of Les Smith, former Vermont Extension Agronomist, will be pleased to learn that he is back on his job as Indiana Extension Agronomist." We are glad to hear this last, Les, and trust that all is well with you by now. Thank you, Anne Henderson, for sending this information along.

Guess I have been a bit previous with greetings this season. Anyway I want to wish you all a "VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR." Let us hope there will be enough news to keep this column in the *Alumnus* for at least another year!

**1938** Mr. Robert L. Fuller  
47 Andrews Ave., Falmouth Foreside

Editor's Note: It is very seldom that the Editors print other than the material sent in by each reporter, but a situation has developed of so serious a nature that it demands a complete airing before all the class. It is even quite possible that an immediate class meeting will have to be called for the pur-

pose of impeaching one and electing a new class Secretary. Fortunately a very loyal, legal alumnus noticed the following in the cases to be heard in the Maine Supreme Court in Androscoggin County (naturally this loyal individual's name must be withheld in case of possible reprisal).

"CASE OF ROBERT P. SCHOPPE VS

ROBERT L. FULLER—OCT. 11, 1955

Let it be known that Robert P. Shoppe, resident of Auburn, county of Androscoggin; State of Maine, hereafter referred to as the party of the first part, does bring suit against one Robert L. Fuller, resident of Falmouth Foreside, county of Cumberland; State of Maine and hereafter referred to as the party of the second part, in the amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) for uttering and/or editing slanderous and libelous remarks and/or statements against the party of the first part. Reference is made to defamatory statements written by the party of the second part in the October issue of the University of Maine Alumni publication titled "THE MAINE ALUMNUS."

"A copy of the edition is to be presented as Exhibit A." Said Fuller, through his column is openly endeavoring to heap shame and disrepute upon said Schoppe and his family. These writings recommend the dismemberment from the Class of '38—University of Maine. It is written that said Schoppe has a daughter who is enrolled as a student at Bates College.

"Through his blasphemous writings the party of the second part has subjected the party of the first part to great social catastrophe. These slanderous words have and will cause said Schoppe much financial loss, tremendous nervous strain, great damage to reputation, loss of office of President of Auburn-Lewiston Maine Club and other injurious and costly injustices. Mrs. Shoppe is now suffering a nervous breakdown caused by these libelous writings.

"The one million dollars will be small recompense for the above miseries and evils wrought by said Fuller.

"Facts prove that said Schoppe does not have and does not expect to have a daughter enrolled at Bates College. Evidence will prove that Sandra, the daughter of said Schoppe, is now enrolled in the Margaret Forsythe School for Dental Hygienists, it being her desire to pursue or seek such a career and no course being available at the U. of M. to train her for this profession. Had said slanderer, Fuller investigated, he would have found an accepted application for admission on file at the University of Maine. Had Miss Schoppe not been chosen to join the very limited class at the Forsythe School it was her intent to become a student at the great and noble University of Maine."

"It will be recommended to the court that no penalty is too great for said Fuller to be obliged to suffer. Rather than to bury the class membership of a staunch and loyal alumni, it would be far wiser to bury said Fuller behind the Phi Kappa Sig House. Providing his family continues to live with this blasphemer, it will be expected that his sons will go to Bowdoin and his daughters to Colby. Said Fuller must PAY!!!"

WITNESS: W. H. Cummings, Jr. '51

SIGNED: R. P. Shoppe '38

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Robert L. Fuller. To be completely fair to Mr. Fuller, neither the University nor the Editors will expect to take any action until after the January term of court, or until Mr. Fuller has had full opportunity to defend somewhat precarious position. Until this matter is settled we are somewhat reluctant to print any further writings of Mr. Fuller as it might expose the University to possible legal action. However, we would like an expression of either "faith or fraud" from classmembers and any news (certified) so that during the interim there will be a semblance of a class '38 column.

P.S. Any comment you wish to direct to Mr. Fuller can be sent as usual to his home address as his stay at the Cumb. County jail was only overnight. Apparently the friendship of County Atty. Fred Sturgis helped and his bail was set extremely low and much leniency was shown also out of respect for his family, the University, and his former reputation.

It is also understood here on the Campus that Mr. Fuller is having a difficult time obtaining legal aid to defend his position—in fact, we have heard (unverified) that several of his former friends and classmates have started a fund to pay any lawyer classmate *not* to represent him.

**1939** Miss Helen Philbrook  
15 Webster Road, Dryden Terrace, Orono  
I didn't receive the letter from Betty—so there are just two items to give you.

One is that Mary (Archibald) Campbell (Mrs. Thomas) is living in Waseca, Minnesota, at 409 N. State St. Mary has two young relatives here who keep me informed on her doings.

The other item is from the Alumni Office and is the announcement that Dennis J. Curran of 163 Old Farm Rd., Springfield, Mass., has become a member of the sales department of Monsanto Chemical Company's plastic division

**1940** Mrs. Artemus E. Weatherbee  
(Pauline Jellison)  
9302 Second Ave., Silver Spring, Md.

**Happy New Year! There is very little news this month. Please make a New Year's resolution to write at least one letter to me in '56.**

I did hear from William Goodrich; the very first letter I have received since taking over this job. "I left Milo, Maine, last Jan. and the family moved to Texas in July. We are enjoying the very warm Nov. weather and like Texas very much; however, we plan on returning to Maine eventually. We rented our home in Milo and hope to be able to vacation next summer at our camp on Schoodic Lake. Atlas Plywood Corporation, with whom I have been employed since 1940, has a new plant at Antes, Texas, and I am acting logging supervisor." William's address is 812 Columbia St., San Augustine, Texas.

Dr. James Clement is medical director for Penobscot County Civil Defense. In Nov. he spoke at the Eastern Maine General Hospital to nurses and C. D. personnel on "Changing Concepts of Casualty Care."

We have received the news of the marriage of Evelyn Randlett of Dark Harbor, Maine, to Mr. James Allen Mynich of Waban, Mass., on June 26, 1955. Mr. Mynich attended Northeastern Univ. They are at home in Brookline, Mass.

Stanley Libby is now teaching in the mathematics department at Limestone High School. Mr. Libby formerly taught at Chebeague, Acton, Falmouth, Hodgdon, and Bowdoinham and served as principal at Chebeague. He was chairman of the survey committee which drew up plans for the new consolidated school at Chebeague and has been active in Democratic politics in Cumberland County.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ross, Park St., Orono, announced the birth of a daughter, Margaret JoAnn, Sept. 28, 1955, at the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

Joseph L. Harrington recently began work with the Michigan Cooperative Extension Service as Mountcalm County assistant agricultural agent. Joseph served as an agronomy assistant at the Maine agricultural experiment station in 1940-41. After wartime service in the U. S. Marines, he was for ten years manager and part owner of Harrington Farms, Inc., in Maine.

Don't forget to write. In this case no news is not good news!

**1941** Mrs. Vale Marvin  
(Hilda Rowe)  
Kennebec Rd., Hampden Highlands  
15th Reunion June 8-10, 1956

Major Robert Willets and his family left for Germany in August on a two year assignment with the Engineering Corps, 18th Engineers, Combat Battalion. Robert has had a busy army career. After World War II he was in private business until recalled in 1950 to go to Korea. He remained there two years and after returning to the States was instructor in the engineer section at the Dept. of Military Science and Tactics at Texas A and M college for three years. He is married to the former Barbara Thompson '42 and they have two children, Patricia, 11, and Cynthia, 8.

Dr. George Ellis is in the news again, having addressed the Wellesley Kiwanis Club on "New England's Economic Prospects."

Clifford Bailey was elected a member of the Bangor City Council in October. He and his father are insurance brokers and are associated with the L. C. Tyler Co. He is married and the Baileys have three children, Douglas, 5, Jane, 3, and Ann Louise, 17 months. Their address, 30 Dunning Blvd., Bangor.

There was a very interesting article in the *Bangor Daily News* last month when one of their reporters interviewed Mr. and Mrs. Peter Skoufis who had just returned from South Africa. Peter was second secretary and consul for nearly three years at the American Embassy in Pretoria, Union of South Africa. They are enroute to a new post in Washington, D. C., where Peter will serve as assistant executive director for the Bureau of Security and

Consular Affairs. This will be a three year tour of duty.

I had a nice letter from Sherman Smith the other day. The Smiths have a new daughter, born last July and named Barbara Louise. She has two older brothers, Ferderick Hudson, 5, and Sherman Wallace, 6. Sherman is engineer for the Waterville Sewerage District. He also had a few pieces of news. Norm Mariner has left Union High School in Rockland as principal and has gone out of state. They also see Isabel and Jack Maasen quite often.

Speaking of the Maassens, I saw them too at that wet Homecoming weekend. Isabel had pictures of their two boys, and I never saw two better carbon copies of their parents. One looked just like Jack, the other like Isabel. They and eleven other couples who lived in or around Augusta had hired a bus and all came to the game together. It seemed to be a very successful project. Helen Philbrook served them coffee in the Union Building. Connie Leger was there too looking very well. We had a wonderful time despite the damp weather, but I know I missed seeing ever so many people.

**I expect to have a nice newsy column next month with lots of notes on the back of Christmas cards.**

**1942** Mrs. Jose Cuetara  
(Barbara Savage)  
10 Charles St., Orono

Via the Alumni Office, we have received two interesting items from Freda (Flanders) Lycette, class of '43. The first concerns Jane Ford who "is making a name for herself as a fashion designer on the West Coast" and who has an exclusive line of high style sportswear sold with the label, Jane Ford. Rae (Hurd) Smith has mentioned this to me, and the fact that Jane comes East on business trips for her line of clothing. Knowing Jane, I suspect this whole enterprise is a great success, that Jane is doing it tongue-in-cheek, and that Jane is more surprised than anyone at her quick success in this field. According to Rae, Jane thinks up the ideas and scribbles off sketches which are made up by seamstresses, who aren't afraid to tackle the sewing problems. Jane doesn't sew, or rather didn't, but as I say, knowing Jane, she may be an expert seamstress now, as well. I would like to know more particulars about this news from Jane, as well as the latest about her family, two sons, I believe, and about Pat. We wish them all the best, at least, and hope to hear from them soon. This news from Freda was prompted by a clipping from the *New York Times Magazine* pages (of course) showing one of Jane's California casual designs, a nifty looking blazer of khaki cotton with rows of black and white braid of what looked to me like rick-rack. Well, again as I say, knowing Jane . . .

Freda also asked if anyone has spotted the photograph in the April, 1954, issue of *House Beautiful* of an ingenious fence with credit given to Robert Deering, a landscape architect, whom of course we realize to be Robert Deering, the landscape architect.

Now we have the pleasant news that Laurence and Mary (Cowan) Leavitt are moving back to Orono from Edgewater, N. J., where Larry has been superintendent of non-edible refinery vegetable oils for Spencer Kellogg and Sons, Inc. Larry has accepted a position as chemical engineer for the Penobscot Chemical Fiber Co. mills in Great Works, in the technical division. There are three children in the Leavitt family.

We were happy to receive a marriage announcement from Mr. and Mrs. Leon W. Schwendler announcing the marriage of their daughter, Doris Vera, to Jack B. Wiedmer of our class, on Saturday, the 12th of November, in Dansville, N. Y.

**This is the news for this month. Please drop me a line telling how big your family is, what your community interests are, or what progress you are making in your field of work.**

**1943** Mr. Paul Smith  
P.O. Box 133, New York 25, N. Y.

A happy new year to everyone! I'm looking forward to lots of letters about your holiday activities and news of yourself and any other '43ers that you may have seen. Here are a few items on hand:

Dotie (MacLeod) Bedard announces the arrival of little Bedard number 4—Jacqueline, born October 20, 1955. The Bedards live at 73 Church St., No. Attleboro, Mass., and Dotie writes that she is so busy with the family that she hardly ever gets far from the front door.

Frederic Leonard received a Ph.D. in bacteriology from George Washington University, Washington, D. C., recently. He earned his degree while doing bacteriological research for the U. S. Army Chemical Corps at Camp Detrick, Frederick, Md. Freddie served in the army from 1944 to 1946 and held the rank of First Lieutenant. He was with the Philippine Scouts for a time. He returned to the

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U. of M. in 1946 and received an M.S. degree in 1948. He has been working at Camp Detrick since 1948. He and his wife live near Frederick.

I had a long and interesting letter from Preston and Deborah (Drinkwater) Rand. They have been living at 204 State St., Brewer, for five years, and they have two daughters, Linda, 9, and Lorna, 6½. Deb assists three days a week at a nursery school in Bangor. Preston became intrigued in 1950 with the possibilities of stenotypy (machine shorthand), learned it, and in 1951 began to use it in his new job as secretary to the Chief of Police in Bangor. He uses stenotype in Municipal Court, taking verbatim confessions of prisoners and covering police investigations, as well as in general secretarial work. By 1952, he began to do occasional court reporting in the United States District Court and to report informal trials and hearings before resident Superior Court Justices in Bangor. When a vacancy occurred among the nine State of Maine Court Reporters in July of 1954, he was appointed an official court reporter by Chief Justice Raymond Fellows (Class of 1908), Bangor, for a term of seven years.

The work generally is reporting testimony and proceedings of the Supreme and Superior Courts throughout the State of Maine. This is the first time that Maine has had a stenotype court reporter. Preston writes that the work is fascinating and that he is extremely happy in this new field.

Lloyd Quint, 60 Atherton Ave., Nashua, N. H., is manager of the W. T. Grant Co. He is married and has two children in school and another at home. Formerly manager in Berlin, N. H., he was transferred to Nashua in September of 1954. In Berlin, he visited Connie (Philbrook) Leger in Gorham. The North Country has a group of alumni who hold meetings at the Philbrook farm.

Lawrence Dorr is living in Princeton and is principal of the Princeton School Dept. He is married and has three girls, ages 8, 6, and 5 respectively. He mentions having seen Francis Brown, who is practicing law in Calais.

**1944** Mrs. Charles Cook  
(Margaret McCurdy)  
48 Penobscot St., Bangor

Ah bliss, at least a few items for the column this month, and I am depending on all of you to send me a note on a Christmas card.

Phil MacNeil, M.D., sent an announcement of the opening of her offices for the practice of General Surgery—104 Chestnut St., Boston 8, Mass. Our hats are off to you, Phil!

According to a news clipping, Joan McKinney has been appointed by the Saugus School Committee to teach speech therapy in elementary schools. Joan received her B.A. degree from the University and Master of Education degree from Boston University.

Russ Bodwell sent on a carbon copy of his letter

to Richard Palmer. He mentioned that he saw Al Ehrenfried and Norm Putnam at the "fourth successive rainy homecoming." Al is running his own organization "Technical Marketing Associates" in Concord, Mass., the only of its kind in the field of sales, product planning, market studies, and product design, according to Al.

Russ, as he puts it, is still fooling around with highway and airport design. He is associated with Porter, Urquhart, McCreary & O'Brien, O. J. Porter & Co., Consulting Engineers, 415-417 Frelinghuysen Ave., Newark 5, N. J.

Sure do appreciate your note, Russ.

The Merriest of Christmases to you all! See you next year.

**1945** Mrs. Robert Dutton  
(Dottie Currier)  
79 Revere Street, Portland

Happy New Year to you! Carolyn and I hope that you have made a resolution to contribute to this column during the coming year. Think what a wonderful column we could have if each one of you would write just one tiny letter to one of us ONCE a year! Won't you try to do that?

In Calais on August 27, 1955, Muriel Peterson became Mrs. Miles Paul Frye. How about an address and some details, Pete?

From an information sheet received from Robert Smyth, Jr., at reunion last June, we discover that he and Evie "are the proud custodians of three children, six Cocker Spaniels, one cat, 11 chickens, five geese, three goldfish and 16 acres of heavily mortgaged land." Sounds like quite a family, doesn't it? Their address is So. East St., Amherst, Mass.

Bob Krause is married, has one son, and is a sportswriter in Syracuse, N. Y. We would like to hear more, Bob. The address we have listed is 3027 So. Salina St., Syracuse.

In March, 1955, Lyle Littlefield came from the Ellsworth Nurseries to the University to work in the Horticulture Dept. greenhouses.

Last May Barbie Bodwell received a very long and amusing letter from George (GG) Garland with lots of news in it. It missed the deadline for the last issue before summer vacation and was temporarily lost in the shuffle. The following is taken from GG's letter:

Pete Tsacalottis (alias Pete Calott) gives as his address: 2610 Oakwood Blvd., Wausau, Wis.

Edward W. Conners, Jr., lives at 6403 So. Garfield Ave., Hinsdale, Ill. c/o A. W. Zitzka.

The address of John Marriott is 532 Maxwell St., Lake Geneva, Wis.

Carolyn Small resides at 5532 Kenwood Ave., Apt. 306, Chicago 36, Ill. I am waiting for that "Round Robin," Carolyn, for news about you. Do you know where it is?

GG has been in Chicago since 1950 and is currently Advertising Manager of Aetna Plywood and Veneer Co. He has been Secretary of the U. of M. Chicago Alumni group. He married a "cute brunette" from Marsailles, Ill. They often visit Larry '49 and Polly (Parent '48) Jenness in Arlington Heights, and they also enjoy spending weekends at various Sports Club of America events. Thanks for all the news, GG the Fiji, and please don't "go to sleep for another 10 years."

Jean (Morse) Turner sent a note to Barb last May in which she said that this was the big year for her husband Philip. He will be getting his Ph.D. in Soil Science from Michigan State College. The Turners' address is 5486 Willoughby St., Lansing, Mich.

In November Mr. and Mrs. Roland Gilbert of Livermore Falls announced the engagement of their daughter Jean to Robert S. Teahan. After Jean graduated from Maine, she studied at the University of Bridgeport and Bridgewater State Teachers' College. She teaches English and coaches drama at Whitman, Mass. High School. Her fiance attended St. Anselm's College and is a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers' College. He is a history teacher and head football coach at Whitman High School. They plan to be married next summer. Jean's present address is 462 Washington St., Whitman, Mass.

Dick Knudsen has been owner and manager of Kennedy Studio, photographers, for the past ten years here in Portland. He is married to the former Beverly Cushman and they have a daughter, Kimberly, born in June, 1954. Their address is Falmonth Foreside.

**1946** Mrs. A. D. Gamber  
(Terry Dumais)  
Route 5, Box 824 G, Everett, Wash.  
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From Beverly, Mass., has come the news of an addition to the Burgess family... as of October 18th Mary (Marble) and Alan have a family of three

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children. Peter 6, and Ellen 4, now have a baby sister named Briley Joan. Alan is with the Doelcam Corporation, a division of Minneapolis-Honeywell, Soldier's Field Road in Boston. The family home is at 205 Lothrop St., in Beverly.

On November 10 Thomas M. Libby assumed the post of town manager in Brunswick. Tom has previously been town manager in Oakland, Maine; Provincetown, Mass.; and during his college days he helped administer Bangor municipal affairs as a city government "interne." Before leaving Massachusetts, Tom was one of the principal speakers at Falmouth at a public meeting arranged by the Falmouth League of Women Voters. The meeting was devoted to a discussion of the town manager form of government.

We found ourselves in an early "Christmas" mood here in Everett with a snowstorm and much wintery weather before Thanksgiving had even rolled around. It really served as the impetus for early holiday shopping. And I can proudly say that all packages bound for the east have already been mailed. May I hasten to add that most local gift giving has been ignored in favor of a new project this year Christmas candle decorating which has proved to be much work, but also much fun.

**1947** Mrs. Philip Shaw  
(Joan Ambrose)  
19 Russell St., Bangor  
Mrs. Walter Brooks  
(Peg Spaulding)  
212 French St., Bangor

Elizabeth M. Ray is an assistant professor at Cornell University, where she is currently studying for her doctorate. Her address is 114 Cook St., Ithaca, N. Y.

Richard M. Fish is presently located at 39 Freeman St., Hartford 6, Conn. He is with the Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. of Hartford.

Your class secretaries are patiently waiting for those letters packed with news of your doings.

**1948** Mrs. Wm. G. Ramsay  
(Jessie Cowie)  
1605 Armstrong Ave., Staunton, Va.

The engagement of Constance Adams to Donald Bruce Coulter of Lake Forest, Ill., was announced recently. Connie has been living in Columbus, Ga., for the past three years, and is employed as a medical technician at the Station Hospital at Fort Benning. Don attended Kenyon College and was graduated from Lake Forest College. He has recently completed two years of service with the U. S. Army and plans to return to school to study law. No date has been set for the wedding.

A letter arrived recently from Carol (Smith) Cervone. Carol and Joe '49 have 2 children, Bob is 4 and Carolyn is 2. Joe is a general contractor and has his own business—the Hadley Construc-

tion Company, Inc. They do commercial building. The Cervones' address is 51 Sagamore Ave., Medford, Mass.

Another welcome letter arrived from Mary "Miggs" (Marvin) MacQuestion. Miggs was married at the end of our junior year on September 27, 1947, to Robert W. MacQuestion. Bob received his B.B.A. from Rutgers University and was a law student at Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle, Pa., when they were married. At the present time Bob has his own law business in Ridgewood, N. J. In June Miggs and Bob adopted a baby girl, Kathy, who is now about 7 months old. The MacQuestions own their home at 164 Pershing Ave., Ridgewood, N. J.

Also received a letter this month from Betty (Turner) Woodman. Betty was married on March 1, 1954, to Capt. Daniel E. Woodman, Jr. Dan is a jet pilot and at present is an instructor in Academics at Moody Air Base. He has one more year at Moody and then will be sent elsewhere. Dan attended Ohio Univ. and the Univ. of Georgia. Betty and Dan have a son, Michael, who was born on April 17, 1955. Their address is 306 W. Park Ave., Valdosta, Ga.

David P. Buchanan has recently resigned his position as superintendent of the recreation, parks and cemetery departments of the town of Houlton. Dave will enter the insurance business with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. whose home office is in Newark, N. J.

Laurel (Clements) Norris has a new position. She has recently become affiliated in a sales capacity with the Fred W. Hassen and Son real estate firm. Laurel is well known in Bangor as a women's commentator and has been active in the little theater groups in Bangor.

Florence "Babe" (Bruce) Gorum writes that Jim is home from Greenland and they are now living at 824 Pamela Drive, Columbus, Ga. This address will be correct until about March 1, 1956.

Our class president, Bob Browne, who is an attorney in Bangor and a member of the 97th State Legislature, has been appointed Chairman of the EMFRC, Inc., Drive. (Eastern Maine Friends of Retarded Children, Inc.). The dual purpose of this drive is to acquaint the public with the problem and to raise funds for the program of aid to the retarded and their families.

**A Happy New Year to all of you.**

**1949** Mrs. Hastings N. Bartley, Jr.  
(Jayne Hanson)  
4 Maine Ave., Millinocket

**And a chilly hello to you all. Hope you have all survived the holidays and greet a new year full of prosperity and joy for all. Do you realize this is our seventh year out of college...and there are so many who have not contributed to the column...let's give, kids!**

This month's news is mostly a welcome to new babies among the ranks. Orono has a new citizen, namely Thomas Robert Skolfield who made his appearance on Nov. 8 weighing 7 lbs. 6 ozs. Tommy is the son of Ellen and Bill Skolfield, Forest Ave. He has a brother, Bill, Jr., 2½, and a sister, Suzanne 1. Bill is employed by the Penobscot Chemical Fibre Co. in Great Works.

A nice note from Liz (Clark) Cusack tells of her wonderful family. Liz is married to Don Cusack of New York and living at 237 Vitman Pl., Park Ridge, N. J. They have four children; Cathy 3½, Margaret 2½, Beth 1½ and a new son, Thomas Joseph born Oct. 19 of this year.

Our former secretary, Thelma (Crossland) Robie also has a new boy born November 9 weighing 8 lbs. and named Paul Edward. "Bing" and family are living at 118 Main St., Madison, where Fred is the Congregational minister. They also have a son, Charles Frederick, who will be 2 in Feb.

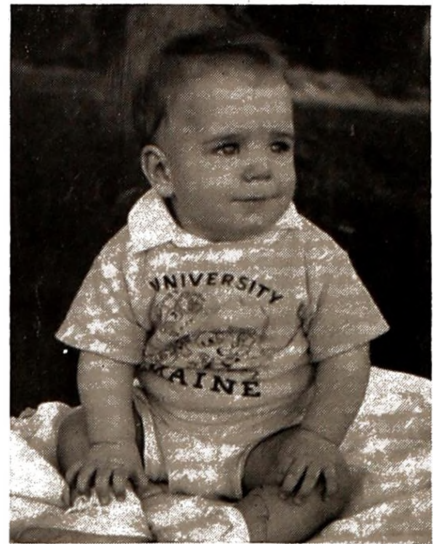
This must be the season for boys... Sam and Jan (Crockett) Fuller also have a little fellow named Stephen Ernest born on Nov. 19 weighing 7 lbs 1 oz. Sam and Jan and Sam, Jr., live on College Ave. in Orono, and Sam is working for the Prentiss and Carlisle Co. of Bangor.

November also found another boy in the household of the Jerry Rogovins down in Hamden, Conn. I haven't the particulars, but his name is Larry.

A letter from Gerald H. Bessey '20 tells us: "My son, Sidney W. Bessey '49, married Dorothy Frazee of Norway, Maine, in October, 1953, and he has one of the R.F.D. routes here in Buckfield. I am enclosing a picture of their son, Gregory B. Bessey, born on my birthday, January 22, 1955. (See photo.)"

Keith M. McKay and Barbara (Haney) are living at 9 Pike St., Augusta. Keith is a busy young dentist, and Barb keeps the two little girls at their new home, which they've had since last fall. Nancy (Carter) Bishop was a recent week end visitor at the McKays, and you can imagine how much news was covered. How's about passing it on?

Cliff Winter, assistant professor of air science



**Here's the junior version of the Varsity Maine Shirts, being worn by Gregory B. Bessey (see '49 column), a third generation Maine Man.**

at Cornell Univ., has been promoted to the rank of Capt. in the U.S.A.F. Cliff is married and has 3 children.

Due to the lack of news, I'll close with a few changes of address as received by the Alumni office. Beatrice Thornton is now at Apt. 1A, 4900 Stafford St., Baltimore.

Arthur Linnell lives at 9 Linden Rd., Portland. H. W. Gibbons receives his mail at Box 52, Dilon, S. C.

Rita Graham is at the Temple Bldg., U. of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.

That's all folks, see you next month.

**1950** Mr. Richard R. Davis  
24 Pleasant St., Milo

A second daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Marchak, Jr. The new arrival has been named Sue Ellen and was born Sept. 11th.

Received a welcome letter from "Rae" Bragg who is studying for the Ministry at the Zion Bible Institute in East Providence, R. I. Rae is in his third year of study now and his address is: 846 Broadway, East Providence, R. I.

Just got a letter from Ellie (Hansen) Brockway. Dick is in charge of the group office for the State Mutual Life Assurance Co. and they are living in Houston, Texas. Their address is: 5203 Westchester Apt 3, Houston 5, Texas. Thanks for the swell letter "Ellie" and let's hear more about what's doing.

Bob Finney is Plant Engineer at the St. Regis Paper Company plant in Pepperell, Mass. Bob and Ruth (Preble '48) have two daughters. Their address is. Main St., East Pepperell, Mass.

Jim Coyne, who has formerly been serving as the Town Manager at Limestone, Me., has been selected as town manager of Provincetown, Mass. Jim has been serving at Limestone since April, 1951. The Coynes have two boys. Their address is 644 Commercial St., Provincetown, Mass.

Dave and Caroline (Colwell) Parkhurst are living in Boothbay Harbor where Dave is in the lobstering business. They have two children' a son and a daughter.

Jim and Jan (Pettee) Milligan are among the luckiest people living. On September 28 the stork left them twins, Kathryn Alice and Kristin Lee who weigh in at 4 lbs 14 ozs., 4 lbs. 13 ozs. respectively. Congrats from all the Class, including the secretary.

George and Sandy (Sands) Sampson have recently had a new arrival, Ralph Edward who tips the scales at 8 lbs. and 2 ozs. The newcomer appeared on the scene on Aug. 14.

Bruce and Teddy (Powers) Folsom have become the parents of a boy. David Brian, a four pounder with an ounce to spare. The new arrival made his appearance on Sept. 12th. Must be a cute rascal at that weight.

Clyde J. Douglass has recently obtained his doctorate in Veterinary Medicine from the University of Michigan and has opened a veterinary clinic at 12 Adams Ave., Rochester, N. H. Best of luck, "Doug," and let's hear how you're doing.

Got a card from your former Class Secretary, "Ruthie" (Holland) McIlwain. She and Bob have

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become the parents of a new girl, Barbara Anne, who was born on Oct. 14. Let's have some more news on the family, Ruth, and maybe a picture or two.

Ray Titcomb has recently applied his studies in economics to farming with exceptionally fine results. Ray is the proprietor of one of Farmington's oldest dairy farms, but has done wonders with modernization of equipment.

Miss Harriet Louise Sherman (Colby '53) recently became the bride of Keith Malcolm Fortier. Keith is now a research engineer for the instrumentation laboratory at M.I.T.

Miss Elizabeth Lundstedt of Brockton, Mass., has recently become engaged to "Ken" Lancaster. Ken is now employed by Maxwell House sales division in Manchester.

**1951** Mrs. W. Gregor Macfarlan  
(Winifred Ramsdell)  
751 Stevens Ave., Portland  
5th Reunion, June 8, 10, 1956

Hi, everybody,

I suppose most of you are in the throes of doing your Christmas shopping, taking the "little one" down to see Santa, and a million and one other things to get everybody and everything all ready for the holidays. However, by the time you are reading your January *Alumnus* all this will be past history, and you even will be over the New Year's Eve party!! May I remind you to add to your list of New Year Resolutions—write to my class secretary.

There are very few items this month, but here 'tis. It's a girl for David and Inge (Nachum) Baye. Little Deborah was born September first. Congratulations to the new Mommie and Daddy.

Best Wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Curran. Mrs. Curran is the former Miss Patricia Gula of Springfield, Mass. John is sales engineer for Johnson Service Company. The newlyweds reside at 15 Bay Street, Springfield, Mass.

Jane McGlaulin is employed at the Eastern Maine General Hospital in Bangor as a registered medical technologist.

Nancy Whiting is teaching the third grade at Bitburg Air Force Base, Bitburg, Germany. Nancy writes that she is enjoying Europe tremendously. Her address is American Dependents School, APO 132, New York, New York.

Archie and Dottie (Tracy '52) Lomac have returned from Germany and are living at 317 North Thomas Street, Arlington, Va

The Lomacs have a son, Kurt, who was a year old last November 20.

Hal and Marilyn (Drake) Marden have recently moved to South Freeport. The Mardens have three little Mardens—Deborah, Harold, Junior, and Christopher.

That's it, folks—how about helping to make the column more newsy and interesting for all—write us about yourself, family etc., and don't forget our fifth reunion in June.



**Banannex**

Welcome to 1956 and the January column of news from the class of '52! There is a certain belief with basket-selling, fortune-telling gypsies that the even numbered years are the easiest and happiest let's hope so to make 1956 one of your best ever. I don't want to be termed the friendly philosopher, but I'd venture to say no one welcomes the new year with open arms, without saying a regretful goodbye to the old. After all, for many of the class, 1955 made us members of the quarter century club, a club that never has to conduct a drive for new members. Last year was not only full of personal memories and events, but also events that rocked and shocked the entire world. Now, just who could ever forget the year the Dodgers won the pennant? Or the year the president had a heart attack? Or the year a princess pledged her loyalty to royalty? So, here's to the memories of '55 and the marvels of '56!! Now for heaven's sake, before I turn this into a short story instead of a column let's get on with the news!

Norrie (Mahaney) Zdanowich is in Philadelphia, Penn., where her husband Paul is teaching at Girard College. Their address is plain and fancy Girard College, Philadelphia. I'd love to hear from you, Norrie.

Rumor has it that Bill '51 and Dorrie (Mayne) Lindquist are living in Lewiston but where? Gee,

Dorrie, you're almost near enough to send a smoke signal!

Maurice and Shirley (Stillings '53) Keene are very keen to let us in on their big news: Linda Joyce born Oct. 12, 1955, and now at home with her folks at North River Rd., Auburn. Congrats!

George and Ellie (Hansen '50) Brockway are becoming Texans by degrees since their move to 5203 Westchester, Apt. 3, Bissonnet Plaza Apts., in none other than Houston 5. Brock is now covering Texas and Louisiana with the State Mutual Life Ins. Co.

Milton L. Bradford, Jr., receives mail at Reading, but is stationed as Lt. Milton, 420th Air Refueling Sqd., A. P. O. 22, New York, N. Y., in England. He's planning to marry Marion Jones of Liverpool in December.

If anyone plans to go overseas soon here is a '52er you can look up! Arthur Bowker from Bath is in the Air Force in Japan... so, if you're over that way, look for: Master Sgt. A. F. Bowker, 1124200, F.E.A.L.O.G.F.O.R., APO 323, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Cal.

Jack Christie is here in Portland, studying at Portland Law School. Unknown to you, Jack, I almost widened Congress Street by eliminating a row of parked cars trying to attract your attention one night. Funny, too you didn't look, but everyone else in the block did! The four officers of the class of '52 are now together in Portland so beware. Marti Pratt and Greg Macfarlan are teaching at Westbrook Junior College, Jack is becoming a lawyer, and I'm on radio and TV. No matter how you figure it, people have to listen to us.

I recently spoke with Beth (Chick) Warren on the phone, and she told me she's kept pretty busy with two sons. Marc is now a year and a half old and the new addition to the Warren family is Dana Earl, who was born October 26. Dana is still with Travelers Insurance here, and they are living at 356 Woodford St., Portland.

Beth also told me that Anna (Whitehead) McColl and her husband have a six months old son, Joseph William, to keep one and a half year old Pamela company. The McColls have a new home on 69 Holly St. in Greenfields Village, Woodbury, N. J.

Bob and Jane (Wheeler) Whytock are south for the winter way down south in Arkansas, where Bob is employed as a private in the United States Army. I'm sure they'd love to hear what the

Northern Hemisphere is doing—their address is 208 South Main St., Fort Smith, Ark.

Eden Fort is working for the home service department of The American Red Cross in Boston. Eden has her master's degree from Boston University and is certainly putting her education to advantage. She's living at 17 Lakeview Ave. in Cambridge. And don't forget, Eden, I said three years ago I'll pay you a visit real soon!

Ruth Moulton lives not too far from Eden at 105 Peterboro St. in Boston. Ruth's working for an insurance company which is the agent for a Cadillac-Oldsmobile Company in Boston but here's where my memory fails! I don't know the name of the company. Oh, well, if Ruthie's working there, it wouldn't be too hard to find out, just pick a good one and there you are!

And here's some news of somebody right near home. Nancy (Mosher) and Norm Brown '51 have a beautiful new home in Cape Elizabeth and two lovely children to help furnish it. The house isn't even a year old to them but their little girl Kimberly is four, and Jay Greely Brown is 15 months. Nanc and Norm's address is 11 Westview Rd., Cape Elizabeth.

A letter from Dwight Holmes came bearing a San Francisco APO number, which greatly surprised me! All the time, I thought him to be in Germany... but... Operation Korea! Dwight's address is: Pfc. D. R. Holmes, ER15496713 Hq Co., 501st c/r GRP, DET #3 APO #301 San Francisco, Calif.

Well, as much as I hate to say it, that's it for another month! Now, the fun begins! It seems I'm usually the last minute writing this column and then my conscience forces me to complete it all at once. Then, I go one step further. I dash down to the station to catch the late, late train for Bangor. Now, most of the night crew know me by heart and they pay particular attention to seeing that the news gets to Orono. How about you let's have a note! There's a song that says it better than I can it says

Let's Start the New Year Right!

**1953** Miss Helen Strong  
197 Albemarle St., Springfield, Mass.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR, everyone, and here's hoping one of your New Year's resolutions is to write in as to your whereabouts and what you are doing. The Class of '53 has another resolution to add and**

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sincerely hope you will keep this one; however, you won't find out what it is until the end of January and when you get that letter in the mail please read it carefully.

I received a nice newsy letter from Ruth (Part-ridge) Pelletier not long ago. Ruthie, Norm, and daughter Christa are living at 1813a Patton Dr., Fort Meade, Md. Barbara Girard, now Mrs. Dwight Dexter Dorman, is living at 534E Indian Dr., Midwest City, Oklahoma. Also Mary (Field) Gwinn (Mrs. Gordon G) of Swan, Iowa, is working in the *Better Homes and Gardens* test kitchen.

Mike and Dottie (Booth) Dimitre are now living at 510 Bradshaw Ave., Van Horn Park, El Paso, Texas. Mike is stationed at Fort Bliss.

Hilda Leach's address is 460 Goffle Hill Rd., Hawthorn, N. J.

On Nov. 3 Mary Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Ford (Carole Griney), arrived. Bob is now working for the S. C. State Comm. of Forestry. They are living at 1136 Wilson N.E., Orangeburg, S. C.

Frances Willet is now Mrs. Kenneth Foster and their address is 71 Philmont Ave., Cranston, R. I.

Clif Nielson and Beverly Finney became Mr. and Mrs. in August and their address is 79 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester 20, N. Y.

On Oct. 8, Helen Nichols of Dorset, Mass., became the bride of Nathaniel Tyler. The bride is a graduate of Burr and Burton Seminary in Manchester. They are residing in Dorset.

Raymond Atherton took as his bride Mirian E. Evans of Jacksonville, Fla., on Oct. 5. They are living at 3379 Delaware Ave., Jacksonville, Fla.

It's a short column this month—for a good reason—not much news.

**1954** Miss Marjory L. Robbins  
220 Fisher Ave., Roxbury, Mass.  
1st Reunion, June 8-10, 1956

Over Thanksgiving I saw Lulu (Leighton) Davis and Carol (Farrow) Dow. Lulu and her husband Lt. Robert Davis are residing at 610 Suttan Dr., Killeen, Texas, where Bob is personnel officer for the 553 Armored Infantry Battalion. Carol and her husband live at 165 Second St., Troy, N. Y. Bill is production engineer at the John A. Manning Paper Co.

The stork seems to be working overtime these days for there are lots of birth announcements:

John and Sarah (Ames) Lombard of Millinocket have a baby boy—Steven Bartlett, born on Oct. 24.

Guy and Pat (Wilson) Wheelock are the proud parents of Scott Bennett, born on Nov. 2. Pat and Scott are living in Bangor now, while Guy is doing a tour of duty in Korea.

Frank and Ruth (Bartlett) Butler and son Peter Arthur, born Aug. 17, are living in their new home at 65 Heather Lane, Rochester, N. Y.

Bob and Jean (Wyman) Weatherbee are the Mom and Pop of Kevin William, born Nov. 19. They are living at 200 Larkin St., Bangor.

The David Foxes of 69 Washington St., Brewer (Jen Bishop) and the Chuck Barretts (Marty Barron) of Orono, are the parents of the babies in the picture. Carleton Brent Barrett is on the left and Lori Jean Fox is on the right. 'Maine 1976' should be the caption.

Al and Barb (Brown) Philbrick welcomed Valerie to their household in August. They are residing at 7320 Dale Rd., Ysleta, Texas.



**No, not twins! These babies are the son of Chuck '51 and Mary (Barron) Barrett and the daughter of Dave and Jennie (Bishop) Fox. Can you guess which is which? Check in the '54 column.**

June 30th was the date that Barbara Chase became Mrs. David Hagar. The Hagars are living in Cumberland Center where Dave is working on a dairy farm. Barb is teaching Home Economics at Falmouth High. Their address is R.F.D. 3, Cumberland Center.

Helena (Mehlhorn) and Don McCusker moved into their new home at 26 Croftley Rd., Towson 4, Maryland, this November.

Penny (Rich) and Pete Wilson were married last May and are now living in Winnfield, Louisiana, where Pete is employed at a Telephone Pole Treating Plant of Western Electric Co. Penny writes that La. is nice, but they miss New England. Their address is just Box 215, Winnfield, La.

Residing at 348 Well St., Fairbanks, Alaska, are Pvt. John Broshkivitch and his bride, Miss Doris Horn of Middlebury, Conn., who were married at Ladd Air Force Base, Fairbanks, Alaska, in Oct. where John is stationed.

Barbara "Bucky" Buck became Mrs. Robert Grover Nov. 26. Bob was recently discharged from the Army and is in the hardware business in Boothbay Harbor now. They are making their home at 107 Commercial St., Boothbay.

Eleanor Carter has the position of Home Service Agent with the Central Maine Power Co. and has an office in Rockland, Maine.

Many thanks to everybody who took a minute to drop me a note this month.

**Make plans now to come to our first class reunion in June!**

**1955** Miss Hilda Sterling  
1003 North Ocean Ave.  
Seaside Park, N. J.

With this issue of the *Alumnus*, we find ourselves embarked on another year. Since we cannot be together on New Year's Eve, I would like you to join me, now, in proposing this toast

**Here's to the future, whatever it brings,  
And hoping we'll never swerve  
From doing right and thinking right,  
And getting what we deserve.**

And, now, the news.

Patricia Kelly '56 has announced her engagement to Charles Packard. Chuck, who is a graduate assistant in the physics department at Maine, resides at 18 Chapel Rd., Orono.

Sandra Thompson, Limestone, is engaged to Thomas Cyr. Sandra, who is a Colby graduate, is teaching in Limestone, and Tom is employed by his father. His address is Nuggard Ave., Limestone.

The engagement of Glenna Dickey, Clinton, and Lawrence Towle was announced recently. Larry is self-employed as a farmer in Easton.

Harriet Hindinger, Guilford, Conn., and Sherman Hall announced their engagement in October. Sherm transferred to the University of Massachusetts at the end of our freshman year.

A few addresses

Pvt. Philip C. Bowman, US 51355182, "A" Battery, 1st Platoon, 880th FAB, Fort Dix, N. J.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. Merwyn B. Hall, 5005 Pershing Dr., El Paso, Texas. "Buzz" '54 and Jean (Turner) Hall.

2nd Lt. and Mrs. Hale C. Reed, 04037015, "M" Company, 60th Infantry Regiment, APO 176, New York, N. Y. Hale '54 and Nancy (Karakas) Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pelc, 104 Main St., Orono. Joe '58 and Dot (Johnston) Pelc.

Mary LaFlamme, 112 Hoyt St.—1C, Stamford, Conn.

Illene (Lenny) Dexter, 104 Harbor Dr., Hampton, Va.

Congratulations to Richard Eustis, who has been named the outstanding member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity in the nation! Having been selected "Top Teke" on the basis of scholarship, personality, and contributions to school and fraternity, Dick was instrumental in the first arrangements to acquire a home for the local chapter and in improvements to the home after its purchase. Beta Upsilon chapter designated Saturday, November 5, as Dick Eustis Day, and an open house was held at TKE in celebration of this honor.

With Maine men in the service.

In a very nice letter from Dana Baggett, he tells me that he has been taking an eight weeks course leading to a "military occupation specialty" at the Medical Training Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Dana, who leaves Texas this month, sends his best regards to all the "gang."

Peter Marckoon is receiving basic training at Fort Knox, Ky., as a member of the 3rd Army Division. Pete worked for the Babcock Poultry Farm, Ithaca, N. Y., before entering the Army in August.

Joseph (Joe) Rigo's address is: 2nd Lt. Joseph T. Rigo, 04053076, 102nd Co., 2nd Bn., TSB, Fort Benning, Ga. I understand that Wilfred Lord and Charles (Nick) Carter are, also, at Fort Benning. Let's have a little news from our alumni in Georgia!

Paul Haines has been inducted into the Army for two years, and Roger Chandler began a tour of duty with the United States Navy in November.

Richard Myer, class valedictorian, has been granted a fellowship under the Ford Foundation's Foreign Study and Research Fellowship Program. Dick, who is studying at Columbia University, is especially interested in Russian law and government and modern political theory.

Charles Kasmer is studying for his master's degree in public management at the University of Kansas. "Chas" is residing at 1137 Vermont Ave., Lawrence, Kansas.

Cynthia Nelson, who was awarded a scholarship, is doing graduate work at Merrill-Palmer School, Detroit, Mich. Cyn's address is 71 East Ferry Ave., Detroit 2.

Elizabeth Connors writes that she is working for the United States Government in Washington, D. C. Betty's address is 2725 29th St., N. W., Apt. 319, Washington 8, D. C.

Harva Young and Joan Geddy are, also, government employees in Washington. Harva resides on Cherry Hill Lane, N. W., Washington, D. C., and Jo is living at 754 South Greenbrier St., Apt. 7, Arlington, Va.

Charles E. Lavoix has accepted a position with the Remington-Rand Co., Boston, Mass. Ed married Jane (Miki) McInnis '54 on June 18 in the Corpus Christi Church, Auburndale, Mass.

Laura Little is employed by the Maine Health and Welfare Dept in the Portland Office of the State Division of Child Welfare. Her address is 259 Vaughan St., Portland.

Harry Dreifus has a position with the Hooker Electrochemical Co., Niagara Falls, N. Y. Harry, who has been assigned to the process study group, resides at 307 Jefferson Ave., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Willis Reed is now assistant manager of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange in Houlton. Previously, he had a position with this organization in Providence, R. I. His address is Box 402, Houlton.

Zira Scheer is working in the office of the State Commissioner of Health, Hartford, Conn. Zi shares an apartment with Frances Lunt at 486 Main St., Newington, Conn.

Roland Dubay has been installed as town manager of Orrington. Frederick Staples holds a similar position at Mount Desert. Fred has headquarters in Northeast Harbor.

The Rev. Howard S. Danner, Jr., has taken up his position as pastor of the parishes of the Federated and Second Congregational Churches in Cambridge and Jeffersonville, Vt. Howard and his family make their home in the Congregational parsonage in Jeffersonville.

Diane Springer is a graduate assistant in the business and economics department at Maine. Diana's address is 63 Bennoch St., Orono. Franklin Roberts holds a similar position in the zoology department. He lives in the University Center Cabin. Happy New Year, everybody!

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## Battle of Enterprise and Boxer

No battle during the War of 1812 so excited the people of Portland as that between the US Brig Enterprise and HMS Boxer, which was fought off Seguin on September 5th, 1812.

The Enterprise was at anchor in Portland harbor when news came that the British enemy was off the coast. She immediately got under way and started in pursuit; but the wind was light and southerly and it was flood-tide, so that when she reached Spring Point she found herself unable to stem the tide.

Quite as though it had been rehearsed many times, "every boat dropped into the water full of men, and they were ranged in a line ahead of the brig and, with exciting songs, towed her clear of land, and she bore away for Seguin."

The next day saw great excitement in the town. Early that Sunday morning people began assembling at the Observatory on Munjoy's Hill to learn the outcome of the expected battle. Captain Moody, keeper of the Observatory, admitted a few friends and the proprietors of the Observatory to the enclosure where a great telescope was installed, but excluded all others.

These grouped at the base of the tower and listened avidly as Captain Moody, telescope trained on Seguin (which could be seen clearly that day), relayed the happenings by megaphone to them.

In the forenoon he saw the smoke of the Boxer's challenge gun and that of the Enterprise accepting it. A contemporary description of the event tells us that at this news "notwithstanding it was Sunday, a cheer went up from the crowd."

A detailed report of every move and counter-move of the 45-minute battle was published in the Portland Gazette of September 13, 1813, and makes interesting reading—particularly in the light of modern naval warfare methods.

On Monday the outcome of the battle was still in doubt until the Enterprise was signaled, leading her prize. The vessels came in to Union Wharf, where "all who wished went on board." The commanders of both the British and United States vessels had been killed in the action and lay in state, each wrapped in his country's flag. They were buried with equal honors, side by side, in the "old burying ground"—the Eastern Cemetery on Munjoy's Hill, at a spot overlooking the sea where they died.

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