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## Editorial Page

### It's Time to Vote

First, we point out to you, readers, a duty. It is time to vote for new officers of the Alumni Association. On the back page of this issue you will find biographical sketches of the candidates for all offices, so that if you do not know the candidates personally you may still be able to get some idea of who they are and what they have done. We do not propose to document our holding that you have a clear-cut duty to send in the ballot that is being mailed to you, since evidence of the importance of democratic processes is fairly bursting from our life and times. Here in our Alumni Association let us not fail to exercise this franchise.

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### It's Time Again

We have been cogitating over the fact that the constitution of the Alumni Association stipulates that officers of the Association be elected every year. It strikes us that, the functioning of the Alumni Association being as measured as it is, this is rather often to elect officers. They barely get in and get acquainted with what needs to be done, when a new election occurs. While officers may be renominated, and, hence re-elected, we're not sure why the ponderous machinery of election needs to be put into operation every year. All in all, we've been cogitating, why not elect officers every two years? We send this question gently upward as a sort of trial balloon.

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### Speaking of Trial Balloons . . .

We wish we heard from our readers more often on suggestions or news items that appear in this *Journal*. Like women, we hate to be taken apart much less than we hate to be ignored. Criticism is always welcome—either of the *Alumni Journal* or of the Alumni Association. We hereby invite

criticism, laudatory or denunciatory. Especially do we always look forward to hearing your ideas about Ursinus College and what could be done for it. On the news side, if you like to read the items about the people you went to college with in "News About Ourselves," don't forget that this news must be furnished by ourselves, and if you don't let us know, from time to time, about yourself and about people you know, we can't get much of a column together. All right, everybody get a postcard and send some news to the editor right away.

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### Alumni, This Is for You

Look up the data on Alumni Day further on in these pages. Then plan to be on campus for it. Sometimes, when you've been away a long time, the inertia is hard to overcome. But we assure you if you come to Collegetown on Alumni Day, seeing the old friends will give you a lot of pleasure. We know; we do it ourselves.

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### Dear Graduates-to-Be:

We hereby and thus early felicitate the men and women who will be graduated in June. We wish you Godspeed in the world beyond the Eger Gateway. It may well be that sometimes the world you left behind, within the walls of Bomberger, Freeland and the Thompson-Gay Gymnasium, may seem very calm and wonderful and, as deceiving memory resurrects it for you, free of problems and unresolvable decision. We add our hope to the many that will go with you, that your mind may be good, your heart strong and your vision clear, and that your spirit renew its strength from its memories for the decisions you will not be able to leave unresolved.

## *The President's Page*

The following paragraphs are an informal report to the alumni. A printed copy of "The Reports of Officers," outlining our progress and plans, was sent to each alumnus several weeks ago.

We have now at Ursinus nearly nine hundred students—505 men and 380 women. Although we are planning for next September a slight increase in the total number of students, we shall be able to admit only a small percentage of the many hundreds of qualified applicants. A great many of the applicants are the children or grandchildren of alumni or the brothers or sisters of younger alumni. These applicants will, as we have promised, receive special consideration.

The increased number of students makes it desirable for us to provide increased facilities for physical education. Our playing fields are adequate for both men and women, but the Thompson-Gay Gymnasium, which is used throughout the day and evening for varsity sports, for intramural sports, for the required work in physical education, and for the Curtain Club plays, is inadequate. The College has obtained through the Federal Works Agency an all-purpose recreation hall, which contains a very large basketball court and other facilities for recreation and physical education. The Federal Works Agency will provide this building and will erect it without cost to Ursinus. We expect that the work will begin at once, and that the building will be ready for use in September. These two gymnasiums will provide facilities for recreation and physical education for many years to come.

The special Building Committee is continuing the study of the plans for the women's residence halls. The Committee is deterred by the very high cost of building, by the uncertainty about materials and labor, and by the fact that our building funds are still below the desired total. A contribution now—even a small one—from every alumnus would help greatly. I hope that several hundred alumni will respond at once. The Committee hopes that within the next twelve months we can begin the erection of two of the six units that are planned.

Since July 1, 1946, Ursinus College has received in gifts and bequests a total of \$75,400. The gifts total \$40,000, of which the alumni contributed one half. It is noteworthy that the contributions of the alumni to the Loyalty Fund during this seven-month period are larger than in any twelve-month period in the past. During the same seven-month period the College has received the following bequests: from the estate of Miss Thekla Ida Scheer, to establish a scholarship in memory of her father, the Reverend George A. Scheer, A.B. (1876), D.D. (1902), the sum of \$5,000; from the estate of Dean Whorten A. Kline, for the women's residence halls, the sum of \$10,000; from the estate of D. Charles Murtha, Class of 1886, for scholarships, the sum of \$20,400. From this estate we expect to receive an additional \$60,000. We have not yet received the bequest of \$25,000 from the estate of Professor Matthew Beardwood for the women's residence halls, nor have we received the bequest of \$75,000 from the estate of David Laucks Hain for the endowment of a professorship in science.

I hope that on Alumni Day, June 7, a large number of alumni will visit the College to meet old friends, to inspect recent improvements, and to study the plans for the women's residence halls and for the future development of the campus as a whole.

N. E. McCLURE

February 15, 1947

# NEWS FROM THE CAMPUS

## Club Meetings

During the winter term, the English Club held its bi-monthly meetings at the home of Dr. N. E. McClure, the sponsor of the Club.

The main purpose of the Club is to keep its present fourteen members in touch with contemporary literature by means of book reviews and literary quizzes. Guest speakers are also welcomed by the Club. During the winter term Mr. Samuel Bossard, a former instructor in German in Princeton University, who had recently returned to this country after spending several months in England, was guest speaker at one of its meetings. Mr. Bossard spoke to the members of the Club and to other interested English majors on conditions in post-war England.

This year the *Cercle français*, after hearing from Dr. Garrett about the lamentable conditions in France, "adopted" a school in Montpelier. Club members are contributing towards purchasing packages of food and clothing, and have begun a correspondence with students of the French school. In a lighter vein, the *Cercle français* has sponsored French films, attended by a large audience, and at Christmas time gave a party where games and Christmas carols comprised the entertainment. Martha Seip, the president, has had an excellent response from the members of the organization so far this year.

## Debating

The Ursinus Debating Club reorganized in the fall and elected Grace Neumann '49, president, and Dorothy Marple '48, secretary. Robert Wilson, the manager, completed his college work at the end of the winter term and was succeeded by Dean Evans '48.

Debates during the fall term centered in the national debating issue: "Resolved that labor should be given a direct share in the management of industry." Ursinus engaged in successful encounter with Princeton University, the University of Pennsylvania, Villanova College, Temple University, and Rider College.

During the recent semester vacation, Ursinus sent a debating team consisting of Dean Evans and Randolph Warden '48, into the New England states. The schedule consisted of three debates: (1) A victory over Wesleyan University, in Middletown, Conn. This contest was broadcast. (2) A close defeat (86-84)

at the hands of Boston University. (3) A no-decision debate with Holy Cross College, in Worcester, Mass. In all of these debates Ursinus argued the negative side of the labor question.

## The Forum Committee

A joint student-faculty committee was organized this year to manage Ursinus forums. The committee, consisting of Dr. Maurice Armstrong, professor of history, the Reverend Charles C. Wallick '38, chaplain, John Harsch '48, and Nancy Twining '48, has succeeded in obtaining some very creditable speakers.

Dr. Leonard I. Schiff, formerly of the Los Alamos atomic energy experimental station and a member of the Department of Physics in the University of Pennsylvania, spoke in December on the subject of atomic energy. He used slides and pictures to illustrate his talk. In February, Norman Thomas, a former presidential candidate for the Socialist Party, spoke on the subject of "Do We Face Another Depression?"

Dr. Michael Karpocitch of Harvard University has been invited to address the Forum on March 24, on the subject of United States-Russian relations. In addition, the Committee has asked Dr. Edgar B. Cale of the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, to speak on April 16 on the general topic of American foreign policy. And Dr. Eduard C. Lindeman of the New York School of Social Work, Columbia University, has been asked to address the concluding Forum of the year, May 7, on the labor situation.

So that the best speakers may be obtained, the Committee is now busily completing the program in advance for the year 1947-1948.

## The Curtain Club

With one success already to its credit this year, Agatha Christie's mystery-hit "Ten Little Indians", the Ursinus Curtain Club is now planning another for the annual May Day. The forthcoming production will be George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart's riotous comedy, "The Man Who Came to Dinner." Casting for the play will be held during the early weeks of March.

The Curtain Club, in conjunction with the Ursinus Music Department, is also planning for the annual operetta to be presented late in April.

## YM and YW

During the Christmas vacation, six Ursinus students, representing the Y's, attended the National Student Assembly of the Student Christian Movement, held this year at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois. This assembly, held once every four years, was attended this year by twelve hundred student delegates from all parts of the country.

Charles Bolte, organizer of the American Veterans Committee; Howard Thurman, instructor at Harvard University; and Dr. Albert Outler, instructor at Yale University were the principal speakers. Bible study, panel discussion, and recreation comprised the schedule of events. The purpose of the conference was to plan the policies of the Student Christian Movement for the next four years.

A newspaper to be distributed twice during each semester has been planned by the Y's with an eye to keeping the students informed about Y activities and to making them more Y-conscious.

## Men's Sports

Basketball monopolizes the sporting scene on the campus this winter. No other sport has been scheduled. A considerable interest was shown in wrestling, but lack of gymnasium space ruled out the possibility of having a team.

The basketballers, under their new coach, Jerry Seeders, former University of Pennsylvania star, are in the process of compiling an impressive record. To date the varsity boasts a slate of six wins as against two losses. In conference competition (Middle Atlantic States Conference, Southern Division) the Bears have garnered four wins in five starts, and at the present time share top honors with Swarthmore.

Late in November Coach Seeders greeted a comparatively large turnout of some fifty candidates, among whom were a dozen ex-varsity boys. The club was later pared to twenty players, ten of whom represent a junior varsity unit.

Matching last year's record of twelve wins against a brace of defeats seemed a difficult mark to shoot at, but the Bruins set about it with great gusto, tripping up first a formidable Drexel Institute team, 60-50, on January 8, at Collegeville. John Snyder, one of the three seniors on the varsity team and formerly a member of the 1943-44 team while he was a V-12-er, scintillated, scoring six-

teen points. A trip to Haverford resulted in a close 48-46 victory, with Dave Zeigler, an Ursinus star in 1942-43, taking high-scoring honors. P. M. C. was crushed 78-42, at Collegeville, extending the string to three. On January 18, the Bruins then ventured to take on Swarthmore. A powerful Garnet ensemble, which had lost to Army's rugged five by only one point, broke the victory streak with a hard-fought 55-51 conquest, at Swarthmore. An overflow crowd witnessed the proceedings. Back home again, Seeders' charges overcame a ten-point deficit in the final period and squeezed by their ancient rival, Franklin and Marshall, 52-51, at Collegeville. George Moore, a brilliant playmaker from Ridley Park whose feats on the court won him wide acclaim during the 1942-1944 seasons, turned in a phenomenal game. However, an ankle injury, later diagnosed as a cracked bone, made it necessary for him to leave the game in the final quarter and to remain on the bench during the next three games.

Following the two-week break in the schedule for the mid-year examination period, Delaware was taken into camp, 35-34, at Newark, in a tight but poorly played game which found the Bears leading their opponents by the exceptionally low score of 15-13 at half time. Several days later Ursinus came a real cropper at Carlisle, where it was trounced by the Dickinson Red Devils 69-41. For Dickinson it was the eleventh win in twelve contests and the 201st basketball triumph for Coach Dick MacAndrews, who has been coach at Carlisle since 1911. On February 15, however, the Bears did move to interrupt Susquehanna University's nine-game winning streak, at Selinsgrove. This, again, was an extremely close game, with Ursinus winning 53-51. Dave Zeigler displayed unusual accuracy and racked up nineteen points.

The junior varsity, composed exclusively of freshmen and sophomores, has a record of two wins and five defeats.

### Women's Sports

The girls' sports season is currently highlighted by basketball and swimming. Both teams look forward hopefully to a successful season and have already launched their respective schedules with victories.

On the court, good material is abundant this year. The girls have chalked up wins over Abright, 36-15, and over Bryn Mawr, 40-25, so far. In the reserves the Jayvees have fared equally well, defeating Albright 36-15, and Bryn Mawr, 40-25. The games with mighty Penn and Temple offer the stiffest competition and

are anticipated with enthusiasm and rigorous practice.

The Ursinus mermaids have a championship record to uphold this season. Five of last year's undefeated squad have returned and are bidding for more of those blue ribbons. The team's first meet with Swarthmore was a thriller, the Bearettes emerging with a very close 29-28 victory. There are five more competitions to be met before the girls meet in the Inter-collegiate on March 15. There is every indication that they will fare as well in these as they have in the past.

### New Coach Appointed

Raymond Gurzynski, Ursinus track, football, and baseball letterman until his graduation in 1939, has been appointed assistant football and head track coach at Ursinus. He received his master's degree from Temple University, and he leaves the faculty of Norristown Junior High School to return to Ursinus on March 3.

Mr. Gurzynski, who has been active in establishing teen-age recreational clubs in Lansdale, will also instruct classes in physical education along with his coaching duties. Mr. Gurzynski lives in Jeffersonville, Pa., with his wife and two children.

### MAY DAY

The date for the May Day festivities has been set for Saturday, May 10; and, as in former years, it will be known as Parent Day as well as May Day.

The main feature of the day will be the pageant presented by the women students, climaxed by the crowning of the May Queen for 1947. To date, the pageant has not been selected, but Mildred Wilson will reign as queen.

Miss Wilson is an attractive brunette, and has been a member of the May court for two years. She is a physical education major, and an active member of the Physical Education Club and the W.A.A. She is a member of Tau Sigma Gamma sorority, a member of the Booster Committee, and on the editorial staff of the Ruby.

The members of the respective classes have chosen the following girls for the queen's court:

Seniors—Marjorie Coy and Esther White; juniors—Anne Moister and Helen Derewianka; sophomores, Jeanne Waltz and Jane Nagel; freshmen—Doris Neill and Norma Young.

As in former years, there will be the usual softball game between fathers and daughters after the pageant. Many of the dormitories have already made arrangements for entertaining their parents.

# Alumni Day

## June 7, 1947

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William A. O'Donnell, Jr., '34, chairman of the Alumni Day Arrangements Committee, announces a program for June 7 similar to the one followed on Victory Alumni Day 1946.

The following events are scheduled this year:

- 12:30 Buffet luncheon and class reunions.**
- 2:00 Alumni Annual business meeting.**
- 5:30 Buffet supper.**
- 8:30 Alumni dance.**

The secretary of the Association is sending a card to all alumni to be checked and returned by May 1 in order that proper plans may be made for accommodations.

The Committee looks forward to welcoming a large number of class groups. Especially full attendance is expected from reunion classes, that is, those whose class numerals end in 2 or 7. Class lists will be mailed to representatives of the reunion classes so that personal contacts may be made to have everyone on hand June 7.

*Mrs. Leighton K. Smith, Alumni secretary, 88 Sixth Ave., Collegeville, Pa., upon request will supply names and addresses of members in other than reunion classes.*

### Letter to the Alumnae

Dear Friends:

There has been considerable activity in the Ursinus Woman's Club this spring. Through various parties where contributions have been made, a total of \$197 has already been raised toward the \$300 necessary to complete payment for 612. Several local parties are planned for the next month, but those already held include Philadelphia, Phoenixville, Reading, Glenside and Main Line.

There will be a dinner meeting on Friday evening, June 6, in Collegeville for all Club members. This will be the first dinner meeting since before the war. We hope it will be well attended.

MELVA RENTSCHLER '32,  
President, Ursinus Woman's Club

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN CHINA

By Vernon D. Groff '38



DR. EHLMAN

Dr. Dobbis F. Ehlman '23, associate executive secretary of the Board of International Missions of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, returned recently from China, where he visited the church's schools, chapels and hospitals. He returned convinced the Chinese people are looking now more than ever to American aid in education—particularly the aid of the Christian church.

Dr. Ehlman passed ten weeks in China. He arrived in Shanghai on the Marine Lynx, which had 400 missionaries aboard, last Oct. 16. When he left Shanghai on December 27 he flew home.

During the visit he went to Hua Chung University at Wuchang, in Hupei Province, one of the thirteen universities in China supported by churches of different denominations in the United States. He visited the Evangelical and Reformed Church's four middle schools—similar to our high schools—as well as the church's missions and hospitals. He had interviews in Nanking with Dr. Leighton Stuart, American Ambassador, and Dr. L. W. Han, Vice-Minister of Education in the Kuomintang government. Just before he returned he attended the meeting of the National Christian Council, which is China's counterpart of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; this was held in Shanghai from December 4 to 11.

It was a return to China for Dr.

*Editor's Note: Dr. Ehlman, whom we feel had an interesting story to tell our readers, was unable to find time to write this article himself. He graciously consented to an interview with Mr. Groff one day recently, and we present the results with the hope that you will find them enjoyable.*

Ehlman. He had been there in 1926 and '27, doing preparatory work at the University of Nanking for a missionary assignment. That visit ended when he was driven out of Nanking.

Chiang Kai-shek's troops had just entered the city, during the civil strife that led to the emergence of Generalissimo Chiang as China's dominant figure. Some insurgent troops showed little mercy and no regard for the foreign missionaries. Dr. Ehlman got away with a whole skin, and passed the next two and one-half years as a missionary in Japan.

This personal history points up the difference Dr. Ehlman found in the attitude of the people of China. He well remembers how the urchins of Nanking used to throw stones at the clergymen from across the sea. On this last visit it was different. Dr. Ehlman made a sort of pilgrimage to the University of Nanking. This time, outside historic Bailey Hall, three little Chinese boys greeted him with the thumbs-up salute and smiles.

Throughout Hunan Province, in which he passed most of his visit, it was Dr. Ehlman's observation that Chinese parents, even though not Christian themselves, were anxious for their children to be educated in Christian schools. This observation was supported by the Chinese deans and principals of the Evangelical and Reformed Church schools.

"It is the quality of the Christian spirit which is the reason for this," Dr. Ehlman says.

"Today we have an unprecedented opportunity to push forward the education of Chinese children," he believes. He is sure that this new good will and receptiveness to American Christian education must be met by an equal willingness on the part of American churches, a willingness to provide the teaching that the Chinese want and need.

Dr. Han, asked by Dr. Ehlman what contribution the Christian middle schools were making in China, replied: "It is the superior quality of the work done in your schools."

Ambassador Stuart, who was President of Yenching University at Peiping up to his war internment by the Japanese, also stressed the importance of the middle-school program.

Here is how Dr. Ehlman regards the middle schools: "To have Christian universities in China, we must have Christian middle schools—to provide the nuclei of Christian students. There is no point in trying to run Christian universities unless we can furnish them at least a minimum number of students who have had earlier Christian education."

Dr. Ehlman counts this function as the Evangelical and Reformed Church's major educational contribution. Its four middle schools, all in Hunan, are the Huping Boys School, Ziemer Memorial Girls School, Chenteh Girls School and Eastview Boys School.

During his tour Dr. Ehlman spoke to the students and faculty at all four schools. Middle school principals are Chinese, by government requirement. At each school there is one missionary, however, who teaches English and religion courses.

The Chinese government, of course, also has its own middle schools. There are more than 200 American church-run schools. The middle schools have a six-year course, similar to our junior and senior high schools.

Dr. Ehlman doubts there is much chance for reconciliation now between the Kuomintang government of Chiang and the Chinese Communists.

"The Communists are not in the habit of thinking in terms of reconciliation with any other kind of life," he asserts.

He foresees conflict in areas of China for a long time to come. He believes Chiang ultimately will win.

As for the chances of the people of Nationalist China being won over to the Communist side, Dr. Ehlman sees none whatever. "The people will not turn to Communism because they are afraid of its threats and violence," he says.

Dr. Ehlman, whose wife is the former Edna Frances Detweiler '24, earned a B.D. degree at Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio. Then he went to China and Japan, and on his return got an M.A. degree in 1931 and a Ph.D. in 1933 at the University of Chicago. He was a pastor for thirteen years until

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# AROUND TOWN

By Muriel B. Pancoast '38

The students, faculty, and guests were privileged to hear Norman Thomas, former presidential candidate of the Socialist Party, on Wednesday, February 2. Bomberger Hall proved too small to accommodate all those who wished to attend, and many people stood along the sides and back of the chapel to hear Mr. Thomas speak on "Can We Escape Economic Depression."

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It's an age-old student complaint—the food in the dining room. But this year, with the coming of Mr. Morrison, things are greatly improved. Steak finds its way often to the student tables these days, and turkey dinners come oftener than Christmas. Quite a festive note was added on St. Valentine's Day—every student found a heart's day memento at his place in the dining room, and dessert proved to be tremendous valentine cakes.

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The former Rimby property at 646 Main Street has now been renovated, and is housing ten women students as well as Mr. and Mrs. Roger Staiger and their small son.

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The town folks in Collegeville have been most generous in opening up their homes to Ursinus students. Our dormitory space could not possibly accommodate everyone who wanted to live on campus; and thanks to Collegeville's residents, 99 students have found rooms. That's one-tenth of the student body. It's interesting to note that the Ursinus student body is now approximately equal in number to that of the town population.

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It's nice to have Pete and Peggy Stevens back in our Collegeville area again. After months of searching, they finally found an apartment home in Rahns.

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This year, the Loreli and the Inter-sorority, Inter-fraternity groups combined to have a big dance at Sunnybrook, similar to the Senior Ball. It was indeed a gala evening on February 28, complete with Nick Mancini and his orchestra, and special 2 a. m. permissions for Dean Stahr's dollies!

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Most women students of Ursinus remember Color Day as one of the really

memorable occasions of the year—the day the freshman co-eds receive the college colors. This year the girls have made a very special event of it, since it's the twentieth anniversary of Color Day. The entire week of February 17 was designated as Color Week, during which every Ursinus woman wore the colors pinned to her sweater or in her hair, and each woman's dorm had the college flag on display. On Thursday, February 20, a very impressive ceremony was held in the chapel with Dr. Elizabeth B. White, originator of the Color Day tradition, addressing the audience on "The Significance of the Ursinus Colors".

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Another baby girl arrived in the faculty family on February 17. She's the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Armstrong, and her name is Ainsley. Dr. Armstrong is Professor of History.

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The college students and the town folk have made a real discovery, much to the delight of their collective sweet tooth. She's Mrs. Caroline Moorehead of Trappe, and she's rapidly becoming famous as a baker of delicious pies, cakes, and cookies. Her baked goods are served at almost every party in town.

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Every Collegeville mama of young children is keeping a sharp eye on her youngsters these days because chicken pox and mumps are visiting many a home. And not only the children are the victims. Ask poor Mrs. Maurice Bone who is just over a five-day siege of mumps!

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Folks never realize how greatly they depend on little everyday conveniences like a handy shoe repair shop and garbage collection until such things are not available. Collegeville was two years without a shoemaker but we're glad to have one again; and garbage collection had become a real problem until the borough took over the responsibility of hiring someone to do it.

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Mrs. Donald Helfferich is well known for her talks on the art of the Pennsylvania Dutch. She is given little chance to rest between calls to lecture to one club or another. Her most interesting collection of early Pennsylvania Dutch art was on display for several weeks in the Ursinus library.

## Ursinus Professor Honored

Dr. George R. Tyson, professor of psychology at Ursinus, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Association of Liberal Arts Colleges of Pennsylvania at a meeting held in Harrisburg on February 1.

This association, approximately twenty years old, and with a membership of fifty, represents the departments of education and those concerned with teacher preparation in the liberal arts colleges of Pennsylvania. During the war, at a series of meetings culminating in a three-day session at Hershey last November, plans were made for the liberal arts colleges to evaluate the teacher education programs in the colleges of the state through a special committee designated as the Cooperative Commission on Teacher Education. This Commission represents all the agencies of the state, and is now engaged in developing the criteria of evaluation.

It is expected the technique will be applied to Pennsylvania State College in the spring, at their own request, according to President Tyson.

## A Tribute to Dean Kline

Dec. 23, 1946

Dr. N. E. McClure, Pres.

Dear Sir:—

There was a pleasing satisfaction in attending the Memorial Service for Dean Kline. My acquaintance with him began in Sept. 1898. My memory of him is pleasant.

I well remember that day in early October 1898. The day was fresh and cool, the sky was blue and the sunshine was inspiring. Someone in a class, studying Vergil, gave a translation. Prof. Kline approved, then gave his own version of the line. It was that oft quoted line: "Forsan et heic olim memisse, juvabit." "And perchance it may be pleasant to remember these things some day."

It was more than a revelation to me; it was a prophecy. It made a permanent impression on my memory.

And now, after all these years, the prophecy has been well and kindly fulfilled.

Dean Kline has passed to his reward. But the memory of him is "like a sunny morning gaining on the frosts of night."

Yours,

JOSEPH SHRAWDER '02,  
Mont Clare, Pa.

All of Collegeville is rooting for the high school basketball team which, thus far, is undefeated. Even their new gymnasium has proved too small for the hundreds of fans that come to see them play. When a championship game was scheduled with Royersford, one Friday evening, many students arrived at school that morning with two lunches, prepared to remain straight through until after the big game.

# NEWS ABOUT OURSELVES

1946

The following members of the class have accepted teaching positions:

*Malta Dustin Brooks*—physical education and health—Trenton, N. J.

*Janet Shoemaker*—physical education and health—Allentown, Pa.

*Jane Theis*—physical education and coaching—Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa.

*Thelma Gresh*—social studies and English—Mohnton, Pa.

*Sally Seor*—physical education and health—Collegeville-Trappe High School.

*Margaret Oelschlagler*—English—Ambler Junior High School.

*Virginia Charles*—physical education and health—Palmyra, N. J.

*Kathleen Sinclair*—physical education and health—Audubon, N. J.

*Doris Felty*—social studies—Conshohocken High School.

*Jane Shumaker*—English—Hamburg High School.

*Elizabeth Carr*—French and history—Swedesboro High School, N. J.

*Mary Jane Malin*—biology—Collegeville-Trappe High School.

*Marguerite Lytle*—assistant librarian—Ambler Public Library.

*Glady's Howard*—mathematics—Oaklyn Junior High School, N. J.

*Elizabeth Conlin*—physical education and health—Woodbury, N. J.

*Elizabeth Coswell*—physical and health—Annvile, Pa.

*Katherine Harmer*—physical education and health—Nether-Providence Township.

*Reed F. Hankwitz, Jr.*—biology and science—Blair Academy, Blairstown, N. J.

The engagement of *Elizabeth S. Carr* and *Reed F. Hankwitz, Jr.*, was announced recently by Miss Carr's parents.

The marriage of *Nancy V. Fessler* to Mr. William B. Morlok took place November 23, 1946, in the Faith Reformed Church, Philadelphia.

*Ruth N. Nachod* is with the Bell Telephone Company at Jenkintown.

Mrs. Robert A. Doans (*Ethel Fehrle*) is employed in a heart research laboratory under Dr. Isaac Starr, Dean of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

*Robert R. Geist* is employed as a sales representative with the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, Allentown, Pa. He is also playing basketball with the Slatington V.F.W. in the Eastern Pennsylvania Semi-pro League.

The marriage of *Walter E. Boyer, Jr.*, and Miss Veronica Moffet of Philadelphia has been reported.

*Frederick W. Deck, Jr.*, and *William B. Kinlaw, Jr.* are students at Jefferson Medical School and are living at the Phi Chi Medical Fraternity. The engagement of *W. B. Kinlaw, Jr.* and Miss Marcia Baur of Germantown has been announced.

*Ruth Eagles* is employed by the Hartford Fire Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn., as assistant to the Actuary.

*Courtenay V. Richardson* is teaching physical education and health in the East Islip Union High School, East Islip, L. I., N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Heim (*Larue Furlow* ex '46) announce the birth of a daughter, Merry Lynn, born December 21, 1946.

The marriage of *Madelyn Jaidnd* and J. A. Robinson took place December 28, 1946, in Allentown, Pa. Mrs. Robinson is employed in the Endocrinology Laboratory in the Temple Medical School.

1945

The parents of *Doris Titzck* have announced her engagement to Mr. Robert H. McKinney, Jr., of Barrington, N. J. The marriage will take place this summer.

The marriage of *Margaret V. Hudson* and *Ewan R. Morrow* '43 took place November 27, 1946 in the Second Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Morrow is completing the junior year at Temple Medical School and Mrs. Morrow is head coach of the girls' sports at Glen-Nor High School, Glendolen.

The engagement of *Beverly Cloud* and *James L. Richards, Jr.* '43 has been announced by her parents.

Mrs. Paul G. Atkinson, Jr. (*Betty Claves*) is living at 34 S. Mentor St., Pasadena, Calif.

*Constance Johnson* is teaching Latin and French in the Smyrna High School, Delaware.

*Elizabeth T. Owens* is a news reporter for the radio station WWAR, Norristown, Pa.

The marriage of *Robert K. Rank* and *Lois Sarah Roodarmel* took place January 4, 1947, in the Sellers Memorial Church, Pottstown, Pa. Robert is a senior at Hahnemann Medical School and Mrs. Rank is an operating room nurse at the Pottstown Homeopathic Hospital, Pottstown, Pa.

The marriage of *D. Adele Kuntz* and Mr. Donald K. Shearer has been announced. Mr. Shearer is a student at Dickinson College.

The engagement of *Mary Frances Tisdale* to *Lewis S. Dreisbach, Jr.* has been announced. Mr. Dreisbach will enroll in the School of Education at the University of Pennsylvania next fall.

1944

Mrs. Louis Leventhal (*Isobel Miller*) has informed us of her marriage to Capt. Louis Leventhal in August, 1945. Dr. Leventhal is a graduate of Jefferson Medical School. They recently became the parents of a daughter.

Mrs. David S. Brashier (*Barbara Cooke*) is teaching English in the Woodbury High School, N. J.

*Peggy L. Crump* is teaching English in Millersburg Junior High School.

*Dorothy Graninger* reports a change of address to 515 Mt. Vernon Road, Roanoke, Va.

*Betty A. Kirlin*, after serving as Director of Health and Recreation for Miami YWCA for two years, has resigned to accept a graduate fellowship in the department of physical education at Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee, Fla.

The engagement of *Jane S. Kircher* to *William B. Howell* of Wilmington, Del., has been announced. Jane is teaching social sciences at the Pennsauken Junior High School, Merchantville, N. J. Mr. Howell is studying at the University of Delaware.

The Rev. *George C. Hosler* sailed recently for India on the Marine Falcon from San Francisco.

The engagement of *Jeanne W. Mathieu*, daughter of *Percy W. Mathieu* '13, to *Thomas Backenstose* of Schaefferstown, Pa., has been

announced. Mr. Backenstose is studying at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry.

*Portia Mollard*, teacher of social studies at the Upper Darby Junior High School, is studying a new approach to overcome bad reading habits encountered by school children. She attended the Remedial Reading Clinic Five-Day Program held at Temple University early in February.

The marriage of *Phyllis A. Palacio* to *Stanley M. Green* took place February 1, 1947, in the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, Philadelphia. *The Rev. John H. A. Bomberger* officiated.

*Elliott G. Parks*, a student at the College, was a member of the bridal party, as was *Doris Jane Hobensack*, *Dr. Leo Corazzo*, *Sheridan Mutch*, *John Rorer*, and *Thomas Rorer*.

1943

*Mary Rosciolla* is teaching mathematics in the Collegeville-Trappe High School.

*Homer W. Boysen, M.D.* is an interne at the Jefferson Hospital since his graduation from the Jefferson Medical School, March 1946.

*John B. Buckman* is teaching mathematics to veterans and studying for an electrical engineering degree at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. His address is 5119 Raymond Ave., St. Louis 13, Mo.

*Mary Alice Estabrook* is studying mathematics and physics in the University of Geneva. Her address is 6 Rue de Contamines, Chez Chevier, Geneva, Switzerland.

*Frank F. Pierce, M.D.*, after completing his internship at the Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia in July, will enter the Army. His address is 3242 N. 17th St., Phila. 40. Dr. and Mrs. Pierce became the parents of a son, *Frank Scott*, born October 11, 1946.

*Alan H. Crosby* is pursuing graduate work in organic chemistry at the University of Virginia, following an interruption of service in the Army. Mr. and Mrs. Crosby are living at 5 Brandon Cottages, Brandon Ave., Charlottesville, Va.

*Rev. Homer W. Koch, Jr.* is pastor of St. Martin's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Annapolis, Md.

The Rev. and Mrs. *William Daniels* sailed February 14, on the S.S. Marine Lynx, to become missionaries, for the Reformed and Evangelical Church. Their address will be Yungui, Hunan Province, China.

1942

*Elva J. Buckingham* has returned to her home in Franklinville, N. J., after 18 months overseas with the American Red Cross in India and Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. *John Garlock (Glady's Hoagland)* have moved to 155 Richfield Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.

*Kathryn E. Bush* has moved to 3915 W. 46th Ave., Denver 12, Colo.

*John McElhinney* is National Research Council Fellow, doing his thesis for the degree of Ph.D. in Physics at the University of Illinois, and one-quarter time staff member, doing research at the same institution.

Mr. and Mrs. *McElhinney (Geraldine Walters)* became the parents of a second daughter, *Barbara Jill*, born January 14, 1947.

Mr. and Mrs. *Norman Callahan (Frances Will)* are the parents of a daughter, born recently in York. Mr. Callahan is with the Quaker Paper Company in York.

#### 1941

*Jean R. Ehlers* has been appointed branch manager in Buffalo for the Charles E. Hires Company of Philadelphia. His address is 140 Victoria Blvd., Kenmore 17, N. Y.

*Charles M. Bowen* is employed with the York Corporation and is living at the YMCA, York, Pa.

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul R. Gregory (*Catherine Hahn*) sailed February 14 on the S.S. Marine Lynx to serve as missionaries for the Evangelical and Reformed Church, in Yunaling, Hunan Province, China. They are the parents of a daughter, Nancy E. Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Johnson (*Georgine Haughton*) are living at Highley Rd., R. D. 1, Norristown, Pa. They are the parents of two daughters, Patricia Anne and Gloria Ruth.

*Winifed S. Smith, 3rd*, is teaching in the Iolani School, Honolulu 3, T. H.

Mr. and Mrs. *Eli F. Wismer, Jr. (Emily Zoll)* became the parents of a son, *Eli Fry, III*, on December 22, 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. *John Rauhauser* announce the birth of Kathleen Landis Rauhauser on December 27, 1946. Mr. Rauhauser is just completing his first year in the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

#### 1940

Mr. and Mrs. *Howlett Moyer (Geraldine Long '39)* announce the birth of a son, Raymond Allen, on October 16, 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. *Richard B. Evans (Mary Ellen Hillegas '41)* became the parents of a son, Robert Blackburn, November 26, 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. *Harold L. Cherm (Helen Smith '41)* are living at 322 Marsh Lane, Forest Brook Glen, Wilmington, Del. Harold is employed with the Howe Scale Firm, Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Cherm have two children, Michael David and Gail Louise.

*Robert J. Weidenhammer* is teaching science and mathematics in the Mt. Penn High School, Reading, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Ralston (*Jane Roberts*) may be addressed at R. D. 2, Windsor, N. Y.

*Irvin M. Gerson, M.D.*, is studying at the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Medicine to receive the M.Sc. of Neurology. His address is 2601 Parkway, Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. *Walter R. Chalk* became the parents of a son, Walter Russell Chalk, Jr., December 23, 1946. Their address is 88 Main St., Phoenix, N. Y. Mr. Chalk is a member of the firm Mid-State Contractors Equipment Co.

*John W. Manning, 3rd, M.D.*, has an office at 27 Elizabeth St., Pemberton, N. J. His son, John W., 4th, celebrated his first birthday, December 26.

The Rev. *Kenneth E. Bishop* was installed as minister of Christian Education at the St. Paul's Church, Chicago, Ill., September 29, 1946. His address is 2335 Orchard St., Chicago.

On October 18, 1946, *Myra Shlanta* was awarded the degree of D.O., from the Philadelphia School of Osteopathy, and is now practising at 610 Main St., Stroudsburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Hutter (*Edith Hansen*) are living at Bldg. 5-C, Grand

Ave., Neville Island, Pittsburgh 25, Pa. They are the parents of a three-year-old daughter, Judith Linda.

The Rev. and Mrs. *Rollin Lawrence* announce the birth of a son, Bruce Manley, October 20, 1946. Rev. Lawrence is pastor of the Christiana and Gap Methodist Churches, Lancaster County. Their address is 57 Slokom Ave., Christiana, Pa.

*Aquilla E. Stettenbenz* is living at 41 Burroughs Drive, Snyder 21, N. Y.

*Robert H. Null, M.D.*, after serving more than two years overseas as Captain in the U.S.M.C., has opened an office at 1832 Spruce St., Philadelphia 3.

While her husband, Lt. M. J. MacDonald (M.C.) U.S.N., is stationed at the Naval Hospital, Charleston, S. C., *Phyllis Beers MacDonald*, after a year's residency in Anesthesiology at Temple University Hospital, is practicing her specialty in Charleston.

#### 1939

Dr. and Mrs. *Frank J. Froesch (Dorothy Chambers '40)* are permanently settled in their new home at 1423 Pennington Rd., Trenton 8, N. J. Dr. Froesch opened his office at the same address, December 16, 1946, for the general practice of medicine.

*H. Eugene Hile, M.D.*, has opened an office at 500 S. Main St., Akron, Ohio.

Rev. *William E. Wimer* has moved to 167 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.

*Margaret Lucker* is secretary to the president of the Fletcher Aviation Corporation. Her address is 380 N. Oakland Ave., Pasadena 4, Calif.

*E. Clifford Laudenslager, M.D.*, is practicing in Doylestown, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Laudenslager are the parents of a nine months' old daughter.

*F. Ruth Heinly* is computer in the Ballistic Research Laboratory at the Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Mr. and Mrs. *Duane Roland (Evelyn Cornish)* announce the birth of a daughter, Evelyn Cornish Roland, on February 17, 1947. Incidentally, this is also the birthday of both Mr. and Mrs. Roland.

*Alfred Gemmell* received his Master of Arts degree at the University of Pennsylvania on February 15, his major field being American History. The title of his thesis is "The Charcoal Iron Industry in the Perkiomen Valley." Mr. Gemmell is dean at Perkiomen School and instructor in American History.

Mr. and Mrs. *Frederick F. Glatfelter (Marycatherine Diefenderfer)* announce the birth of a son on February 14, 1947. The Glatfelters are living in York, Pa.

*Ruth E. Grauert* is directing an arts and sport camp for children at Mt. Vernon, Maine. In the winter she resides at 66 W. Broadway, N. Y. 1, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. *Roy Heyen (Anabel Ganser)* celebrated the birth of their third child, James, on November 25, 1946.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of *Bernice K. Grubb* to Robert F. Zissa on December 23, 1946.

#### 1938

Mr. and Mrs. John U. Walker (*Rita Harley*) have moved to the U. S. Naval Housing Center, Naval Housing Bldg., 920, Apt. 3, Bainbridge, Md.

*Herbert E. Althouse*, who served as Lt. Comdr. during the War, is now instructing in the physical education department of the

Pleasantville, N. J. High School, and is coaching football and basketball.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent T. Ney (*Alice Plunkett*) announce the birth of a son, born January 6, 1947. The son has been named Vincent Thomas, Jr.

*William Irwin*, whose home is in Philadelphia, is serving with the Army in Germany. His wife joined him there several months ago.

Mrs. Ivan Bennett (*Audrey Poley*) sailed November 13, 1946, for Munich, to join her husband, Lt. Ivan Bennett, who is serving with the 98th General Hospital. She expects to be gone about two years.

Mrs. Clifford M. Waltman (*Marjorie Brass*) has moved to West Point, Montgomery County, Pa.

*J. Douglas Mertz* is Professor of Law at Dickinson Law School and living at 100 N. College St., Carlisle, Pa.

*J. Justus Bodley* has become a partner in the Byron, Bodley, Butler, and Pape law firm, Philadelphia, Pa.

*John Wozniak* is practicing medicine at 511 Ringgold Avenue, McKeesport, Pa.

#### 1937

*Philip Garber* writes that, after five years in service, three and a half of which were overseas, he plans to fly East for Alumni Day. He has been living in California since 1940 and is convinced it's the place to be, especially since they're not affected by cold spells and coal strikes. He has been made manager of the Costa Theatre in Richmond, Calif. June 6, 1946, he became the proud father of a son, Bernard Jeffrey, whom he plans to introduce to Ursinus and Pennsylvania in June.

*Eleanor L. Wright* sailed December 9, 1946, for a second assignment overseas with the American Red Cross in the Far Eastern Theatre of Operations. She is one of 2,800 Red Cross workers still serving U. S. troops abroad. Prior to her work with Red Cross, she taught physical education in the high school, High Bridge, N. J.

*Walter B. Kelly*, while studying for the Ph.D. degree, is teaching in the English Department at the University of Pennsylvania.

*Harry F. Fenstermacher* has been accepted as a chaplain in the regular Army and has been stationed at Whiting Field, since October 25, 1946. His address is Chaplain's Office, NAS, Whiting Field, Milton, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. *Alfred W. Rahn (Virginia Beck '38)* announce the birth of a son, Ronald Leslie, born November 22, 1946. Mr. Rahn is teaching history in the Bound Brook High School, Bound Brook, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. *John S. Throne* became the parents of a second daughter, Jane Elizabeth, on February 7, 1947. Their eldest, Susan, is about three and a half years old.

#### 1936

*Lyndell R. Reber* is executive director for the Girl Scouts of America district surrounding Norristown. She may be addressed at Curran Arcade, Norristown. Miss Reber recently attended a training conference for Girl Scout executive leaders in New York state.

Comdr. *Robert R. Deen (MC)*, USN, is serving on the USS Spokane, c/o F.P.O., New York, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. *Robert Taxis (Lydia Ganser)* announced the birth of a daughter, Mary, on November 21, 1946.

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# THE FUNCTION OF AN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

By E. EUGENE SHELLEY '37

Alumni associations as appendages of American colleges and universities are almost as distinctively and peculiarly American in character as scrapple and pepper-pot soup are Philadelphian. At least, they have no exact counterpart among the educational institutions of continental Europe and England. That is not to say, however, that the tradition of the "old school tie" has not exercised a vigorous influence in the politics of the British Empire. But this article is concerned primarily with the wearers of the school tie and their activities when they organize themselves into groups associated with the old school itself.

In many schools undergraduates take for granted that upon graduation they will become members of the alumni association (particularly if there is an arrangement between the college and the association whereby part of the graduation fee is applied to payment of dues for one or more years). Not all schools, however, boast of alumni organizations, and even among those which have flourishing societies their history often does not antedate World War I. The years between the two world wars of this century mark the period of greatest growth in number and activity of alumni groups. Organization of alumni followed the tremendous expansion in educational opportunities as more and more people demanded higher education. Possessed of a belief that organization was the only way to get things done and driven by the well-nigh universal urge to become "joiners", it was a natural step that people who had a common center of interest in their school should unite in a formal organization.

A still more distinctive American flavor was added to such organizations in many of the larger universities where the process was carried farthest by applying modern business techniques to the conduct of alumni affairs. A paid director of alumni activities was employed. His job came to be regarded largely as that of a "public relations man", an enlightened and restrained kind of "huckster" perhaps. In the pursuit of his duties he made economic and geographic distribution surveys of the alumni, assiduously cultivated old and prospective members, made use of the press to carry his message, and did all manner of things to strengthen the alumnal relationship.

Mere historical narrative does not go

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*Mr. Shelley was requested by the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association to prepare an article on this topic for publication in the Alumni Journal for the purpose of initiating discussion among its members of the role properly to be assumed by the Association. The ideas expressed herein do not represent conclusions adopted by the Executive Committee, but are offered in the hope that comments and further expressions of opinion may be forthcoming from other alumni. Letters on the subject may be addressed to the Secretary of the Alumni Association or to the Editor. After consideration by the Executive Committee, pertinent selections may be published in later editions of the Journal.*

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far in explanation of the reasons why alumni associations persist and grow or of what purpose they serve. But it may be taken as axiomatic that an association must meet some "felt necessity", or it would not endure. As a corollary of this axiom, it may be assumed further that the association must be of some value to both the college about which it centers and to the members who comprise it. Starting at this point then, it is first necessary to ascertain the needs which an alumni organization is capable of fulfilling in order to define its function.

## Joint Needs of College and Alumni

It is perhaps easier to state the recurring needs of the college which alumni can help meet than vice versa, if only because the college's needs are apt to be more apparent to the eye. Principally, the college requires financial aid, a continuous flow of students of superior ability and promise, and the establishment and development of a respected name.

*Financial Aid:* It has been pointed out that the larger benefactions received by the college have not come from alumni but from friends of the college. It is more probable than not that for some years to come large individual gifts will con-

tinue to be derived from similar sources. For the more remote future, however, if present trends in philanthropic giving persist, it is indicated that privately endowed and supported institutions of higher learning must almost certainly look to a broader base of smaller givers, for individual bequests and gifts will be neither so frequent nor so large as heretofore. That many institutions are keenly aware of the need to seek new sources of support undoubtedly accounts for the prevalence of campaigns to encourage annual alumni giving. The principle of these campaigns is to establish regularity of contribution. Meanwhile, until the habit of yearly giving is adopted by enough small contributors to make up for the absence of larger philanthropies, the combined smaller donations of alumni may provide the marginal difference required to keep the college out of financial distress.

*Recommendation of Prospective Students:* Although no reliable figures are presently available which indicate the factors that lead a student to choose one college instead of another, it is generally believed that the choice is frequently made on the basis of information gained from graduates of the particular school. In the case of universities with national reputations, this factor is probably less important than it is with small schools. Again, it is not important where the college is chosen because it is within daily commuting distance of the student's home. But in the competition among liberal arts colleges for students of unusual ability, the personal contact of alumni with such prospective students to acquaint them with the college and the college with them is of inestimable value. Once the present backlog of educational candidates begins to dwindle the assistance of the alumni on this problem will again be urgently required. Whether such assistance will be extended by alumni depends on the regard each alumnus retains for his alma mater, a factor which spells the difference between an alumnus who voluntarily seeks to induce a preference for his school out of an honest pride in its good qualities and one who is indifferent to its future or even apologetic about it.

*A Good Name:* In an immediate sense the achievement of this objective is mainly in the hands of the administrative officers and faculty of the college. Build-

ing good will and obtaining friendly publicity is a matter of handling public relations intelligently, especially with other collegiate and secondary educational institutions, with the community in which the campus is situated, and with the press. But in a larger and more significant sense the college is almost wholly dependent on its graduates for its good name. "By their fruits shall ye know them." People are prone to judge institutions by the personalities they identify with the institutions, so that the achievements of the alumni become the measure by which the stature of the college is taken. Consequently, the most effective contribution an alumnus can make to his college is by assuming the duties and responsibilities for social living which will earn for him an honored and respected name. The qualities he exhibits will be attributed in part to the college which prepared him for the position he occupies, and his achievement will enkindle a degree of pride in every other alumnus who shares kinship through the same alma mater.

On the part of the alumnus, the association must satisfy what is for him fundamentally a sentimental need. The force of this desire is not to be minimized. During college years the alumnus acquired the basic tools with which he wrests his living from life; there he made friendships with people from other sections of the country, and frequently the college is the only common meeting place where he is likely to see them again, or the alumni magazine may be the only medium through which he obtains news about them; there he may have met his marriage partner; there is where his sports enthusiasms often remain; there is where he may have received his first introductions to some entirely new world of beauty or information which, since graduation, he has not been able to cultivate as much as he would have preferred; there his own intellect may have been kindled by the fire of a spirited teacher to whom he feels eternally indebted; there may be the source of his choicest memories and anecdotes of what may seem in retrospect to have been the happiest period of his life. Insofar as the activities of the alumni association are directed toward nurturing those feelings and longings and memories, graduates will value membership as a useful and worthwhile privilege.

Alumni may have other needs which an association could encourage the college to supply, but not all colleges are equipped to do so nor should they all undertake to do so. Adult education for

post-college years may be mentioned as one. Large universities frequently do attempt this, by publication of suggested reading lists in special fields prepared by professors in those subjects. Whether the small liberal arts colleges should do likewise or whether there is any need for them to do so is doubtful. Another type of need, often felt most keenly upon graduation or during the first few years thereafter, is for the services of a placement bureau. How extensively this activity can be developed with effectiveness by the liberal arts college is probably debatable. Some few colleges operate placement offices on a practically professional basis, seeking out job opportunities for which their graduates particularly qualify; others find it desirable to keep up-to-date personnel qualification records for all alumni (except those who withdraw from the employment market), so that recommendations of qualified candidates may be made to employers looking for personnel with particular experience; and still others may confine their efforts primarily to aiding graduates in locating an initial employment. Occasionally, the placement bureau is an activity managed jointly by the college and the alumni association.

### "The Alumni Problem"

Despite the existence of the aforementioned needs and the possibilities of the college and its alumni working to each other's mutual advantage, it is a rare college that does not occasionally, at least, consider its alumni as "problem children". The privilege of enlisting the aid and sympathy of this group in behalf of the college is not always an unalloyed blessing. President McClure summarized this situation in his President's Page in the Autumn, 1937, issue of the *Alumni Journal*:

"It is the custom in some quarters to look upon alumni as a necessary nuisance, an annoying group of people whose interest in their college is unintelligent and harmful. We have heard the observation of the gloomy college president who declared that the alumni body of any college is, like Gaul, divided into three parts: those who are entirely apathetic except when they have an ax to grind, those who nurse petty grievances, and those whose interest in their college is limited to football. This cynical observation is fortunately not applicable to the alumni of Ursinus. Our alumni are interested in Ursinus, and that interest is intelligent and helpful."

It may be suggested here that the dou-

view of alumni so often expressed by college officials stems most frequently from attempts by individuals to interfere with some policy of the administration and to substitute their own policy regardless of its effect on related policies or objectives.

It is not known whether college presidents cast a similarly troubled eye upon the alumni in their organized aspect. Certainly different weights must be given expressions of individual opinions and those which represent the combined judgments of many minds and degrees of experience. Indeed, it may well be that a strong alumni association, recognized as the medium through which a majority of the alumni expresses its sentiments, will curb the more extreme expressions of individual views.

The risk implicit in permitting any one person the liberty of free speech and thought may safely be encountered by society and its various institutions only because the risk is reduced to manageable proportions through the exercise by many people of the same rights. If that proposition be acceded to as applicable to colleges and their operation, then it follows that an idea subjected to the fire of many judgments merits serious attention. This conclusion raises a major problem: Does an alumni association, aside from serving the needs already mentioned, perform a function properly within its sphere when it exerts its influence over the policies and management of the college? There should be no hesitation in answering the question in the affirmative. The reason why may not be obvious, but it is to be found in the nature and purpose of the liberal arts college itself.

The authority for the founding of Ursinus, for example, is contained in a charter of incorporation granted by the Pennsylvania General Assembly. The necessity for procuring legislative authority prior to establishing the college and the tax immunity given its corporate property afford substantial evidence that the state has a direct interest in the education its citizens may receive from institutions of this type. Unlike private corporations organized for profit, the college does not exist for the benefit of a specific group called stockholders, no more than it does for the benefit of bondholders, or of mortgagees, or of the advocates of particular doctrines, or of those who provide the instruction. Its purposes are not so narrowly confined. As stated by the founders of Ursinus College, it was to be "an institution where the youth of the land may be liberally educated". Granting of the

charter in perpetuity was intended to permit such instruction to be given succeeding generations of youth. The interest of the state in favoring liberal education is rooted in the political foundation stones of individual liberty—freedom of thought and speech, of religion and intellectual inquiry. Education of youth in the same free environment would tend to promote the stability and ends of the state as a whole.

### A Common Need

All persons who have lived through the past few decades are keenly aware of the interdependence between the political form of the state and the vigor of its educational institutions. If the government of the state is to be democratic, then its citizens must be educated in the beliefs and principles of liberty; and if the schools are to remain strongholds of liberal education they must be protected from forces which would make them instruments for spreading dogmatism. From this basic fact of political life springs a need common to those who bear the immediate responsibility for managing the college and to those whose interest is in seeing that the college continues as a bulwark of a free society. This common need goes far beyond any of those previously mentioned.

That need, for the college, is that it be assured a favorable political and social climate which will enable its administrative officers and faculty to carry out its objectives with reasonable success. The need, for the alumni as members of a free society, is assurance that the college will educate their children and their neighbors' children in the liberal tradition of a free society. In providing the organization through which these assurances may be effectively realized lies the true function of the alumni association. The assurances must run both to the college and to the alumni. It requires of the latter that they be alert to the needs of the college and devoted to its interests. Of the former it is demanded that it be receptive to the participation of the organized alumni in determining the means and objectives of the institution in which they have a direct and continuing interest.

### China

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he accepted his present position March 15, 1946.

"The reason the Kuomintang government is so often inefficient and corrupt is China's lack of adequate personnel to perform well the civic tasks necessary

in a thorough program of government," he declares.

"Through Christian education, leaders can be supplied. Christian education can minister to the youth of China—and the future of China will depend on the quality of training they now receive."



*Miss Buckingham, Dr. Nishiyama and Miss Detweiler*

## REUNION ABROAD

*Helen Z. Detweiler '30*, Army librarian stationed in Sendai, Japan, writes of a "unique Ursinus alumni meeting" held in December 1946. With "no officers, no dues, no greetings from the president of the College, I believe it will be the one and only meeting of the three of us—*Dr. Nisai Nishiyama '19*, president Miyagi Girls College, Sendai, Japan; *Elva Jane Buckingham '42*, American Red Cross; and myself."

Miss Detweiler tells us that "Dr. Nishiyama, his two charming daughters and younger son, came for tea with me on December 31. His daughters in their very best kimonos, were very interested in so many American girls. Joe, the 12-year-old son, never spoke a word."

"Life as an Army librarian is most interesting, in Japan the unusual *always* happens. Sometimes I fly, sometimes ride in trucks or jeeps, or even walk to places where my work is done. The other day I traveled by truck, the one which ordinarily delivers the bread!"

## ATTENTION, PLEASE

If you know the address of any alumnus whose name is listed below, will you please notify the Secretary-Treasurer of the Alumni Association, Mrs. Lehighon K. Smith, 88 Sixth Ave., Collegeville, Pa.:

- '06 Dotterer, Charles S.
- '10 Dunseath, Rev. Samuel G.
- '10 Thompson, Albert R.
- '14 Longacre, Walter F.
- '17 Schaeffer, Beulah M.
- '18 Mrs. J. Oscar Thomson (Ruth Craft)
- '20 Hefren, Arthur R.
- '21 Harding, Dorothy S.
- '22 Hebsacker, Ruth M.
- '25 Shupp, Marie C.
- '29 Newcomer, Richard S.
- '29 Urch, Parmley W.
- '30 Davies, Van Lennep
- '30 Rohrbaugh, Frank J.
- '30 Mrs. Carl Smith (Sara Hoffer)
- '30 Mrs. George Wood (Anna Murray)
- '31 Dudley, Irene B.
- '32 Mrs. Otis H. Grendler (Vivian Davies)
- '32 Massey, J. Parker
- '32 Miller, Margaret E.
- '32 Propes, Zeilia H.
- '32 Tucker, James E.
- '32 Stibitz, Earl E.
- '33 Mrs. Robert H. Hall (Elizabeth Harvey)

- '33 Lawrence, William F.
- '33 Myers, Huldah E.
- '33 Swearer, W. Horace
- '34 Dr. and Mrs. Martin Tolomeo (Mary Crawford '32)
- '35 Ellis, Edward S.
- '35 Frantz, Robert R., M.D.
- '35 George, Charles W.
- '35 Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Little (Ella Humphreys)
- '36 Brown, John H., Jr.
- '36 Peirce, Richard B.
- '37 Mrs. Jere J. Lowney, Jr. (Regina Romberger)
- '38 Halm, Chas. E.
- '37 Mrs. Fowler H. Stratton, Jr. (Sara Ennis)
- '40 Huber, Evelyn M.
- '40 Jones, J. Vaughn
- '40 Santoro, Carl
- '41 Mrs. Leonard S. Quinn (Winifred Doolan)
- '41 Tomlinson, William F.
- '42 Maykut, Edward S.
- '42 Patterson, Jean L.
- '42 Tuers, Joyce
- '43 Brown, S. Clark
- '43 Hart, S. Robert
- '43 Hess, Robert G.
- '44 Hart, J. Richard
- '45 Rubin, Libby
- '45 Shuttleworth, John E. S.
- '45 Umstad, Betty K.
- '46 Edwards, Richard S.
- '46 Middleton, William H., Jr.
- '46 Wise, Carl F., Jr.

## About Ourselves

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### 1935

Mrs. Walter R. Omlor (*Ruth Renneberg*) writes that she would welcome letters or visits from classmates, at their most recent address, Winter St., Box 172, Media, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Omlor are the parents of three children, the youngest born December, 1946.

After a five years' pastorate in Schuylerville, the Rev. H. Allen Cooper and family moved to 17 Third Street, Waterford, N. Y., where he was appointed to the Waterford Methodist Church. He is Secretary of the Troy Conference Board of Evangelism, a member of the Troy Conference Summer Youth Agencies Commission, District Director of Children's Work, and contributor to "The Christian Advocate."

Mrs. Wilmot A. Milbury (*Helen Brendle*) is living at 25 Prospect St., Trenton, N. J. Her husband is a superintendent of the Western Foundation Company, N. Y.

The Rev. *Pearce A. Smith*, since May, 1946, has been serving as pastor of the Calvary Methodist Church, Ambler, Pa., where the 33-year-old mortgage of the church was burned recently.

### 1934

Lt. Comdr. *Sara E. Brown* is stationed in the District Legal Office, Bldg. 1, Great Lakes, Ill.

Rev. *Clarence R. Robson* is overseas, his address at present being A.P.O. 252, c/o P.M., New York, N. Y.

*Sara L. Pfahler* is teaching physical education in the public schools of East Orange, N. J.

The Rev. *George E. Herbert* has moved to 167 Main St., Richlandtown, Pa. On November 2, 1946, he became the father of a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Newcomb (*Nadine Jones*) added a son, John Walter, to their family on October 16, 1946. They also have a daughter, Nikki, three and a half years old.

### 1933

Mr. and Mrs. Alan B. Laudermilch (*M. Virginia Miller*) are living at 1901 N. Second St., Harrisburg, Pa. They are the parents of a two-year-old son, Alan B., Jr.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Creager (*Grace Williams* '31) were honor guests at a reception given them by the members of the congregation of Trinity Reformed Church, Collegeville.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Freeborn (*Frances Gray*) have moved to 2031 S. 57th St., Philadelphia 43, Pa.

*Norman R. Roberts* is living in Dalesford, Berwyn, R. D., Pa., with business address P.S.E.S., Oak & Church Sts., Norristown, Pa.

*Kermit B. Mohn*, who for eleven and a half years was employed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, is now Senior Labor Economist, stationed in Washington, D. C. His home address is 706 S. Pitt St., Alexandria, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Spaulding (*Mary Brendle*) may be addressed at the Hercules Village, Parlin, N. J., where Mr. Spaulding is a chemist. They are the parents of two children, Brent A., and Andrea Christine.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Rudy (*Dorothy Kehs*) are the parents of a year-old son, Jeffrey Allen. Mrs. Rudy is teaching at Perkiomen School, Pottsville, Pa., and Mr. Rudy teaches in Pelham, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Thomas (*Esther McClure*) are living at Fallston, Harford County, Md.

### 1932

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne N. Kehl (*Mary Reider*) are living at 41 W. Sixth St., Pottsville, Pa. They are the parents of a son and daughter.

On November 19, 1946, Dr. *Clifford Thoroughgood* gave a talk illustrated by slides and technicolor films on the subject of plastic surgery, to the James M. Anders Pre-Medical Society, Ursinus College.

The Rev. *Jacob R. Weaver* has served as pastor of St. Paul's United Evangelical Church, York, Pa., since May 1, 1946. The Weavers have a son, Stanley R.

Dr. *Clarence Livingood*, a member of the staff of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, presented an illustrated talk "Dermatoses and Allergies" to the Anders Pre-Medical Society, in Pfahler Hall, Ursinus on December 3, 1946.

### 1930

*Theron J. Calkin* is employed by the O'Sullivan Rubber Co., Winchester, Va., and living at 502 W. Cork St., Winchester.

### 1928

The Rev. and Mrs. W. H. A. Williams (*Evelyn Hamm*) are living R. D. 3, Allentown, Pa. Mr. Williams, after serving twenty years in the Methodist ministry, is now Secretary of the Lehigh Consistory 32<sup>d</sup>.

### 1927

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Yost (*Ruth Kuder*) have moved to 232 E. Ross St., Lancaster, Pa.

### 1925

*Pearl C. Kimes* has been teaching in the Audubon, N. J. High School since September, 1946.

### 1923

Mr. W. Harry Snyder (*Helen Achenbach*) is teaching in the public schools of Montclair, N. J., and living at 14 Stonehenge Rd., Upper Montclair, N. J.

*Daniel Ludwig*, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Biology at New York University, was employed during 1945 by the Committee of Medical Research of the Office of Scientific Research and Development to study the Physiological Effects of DDT. The results of his study of the effects of DDT on the metabolism of the Japanese beetle were published in the *Annals of the Entomological Society of America*, September 1946.

Dr. Ludwig's son, Gerald, last summer received the Pulitzer scholarship, which he is using at Harvard. In addition, he won a first prize and a \$100 scholarship in the Fifth Annual Science Talent Search sponsored by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation and Science Service. He is now a freshman at Harvard.

### 1919

Rev. *Elmer E. Leiphart*, pastor of the Christ Church, Philadelphia, is living at 1502 Porter St., Philadelphia 46, Pa.

*W. Wilson Baden* was a member of the Citizens Federal Committee on Education which met in Washington on October 28-30 to advise the U. S. Commissioner of Education on policies and programs of service

to education. Mr. Baden represented the National Association of Manufacturers.

### 1918

The Rev. *Raymond E. Wilhelm*, D.D., after serving eighteen years as pastor of the First Evangelical and Reformed Church, Spring City, Pa., has accepted a charge in Frederick, Md., as pastor of the Grace Church. His address is 507 Elm St., Frederick.

In January 1947, Capt. *Russell C. Bartman* was placed on the retired list of the U. S. Navy, after more than 28 years of service. Capt. Bartman entered the Navy in 1918, at the time of the First World War.

The Rev. *Purd E. Deitz*, D.D., Professor of Practical Theology at the Eden Theological Seminary, has recently published a book, "Christ's Life and Ours," a cooperative text for the senior high school age.

### 1916

Mr. and Mrs. *Leslie F. Rutledge* (*Mildred Paul*) are living at 5751 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis 5, Ind., where Mr. Rutledge is chief chemist for the Stockley Packing Co. One of the duties of Mr. Rutledge is to visit the fifty-five plants of the company, located in different parts of the United States. The Rutledges have three children.

The Rev. *Walter R. Gobrecht* was elected National Chaplain of the Disabled American Veterans at the convention in Portland, Oregon. He is living at 1105 Kendall Ave., N.E., Massillon, Ohio.

### 1910

*Paul A. Mertz* is with the Oscar Mayer & Co., 1241 Sedgwick St., Chicago 10, Ill. He is living in Itasca, Ill.

### 1909

*Garry C. Myers*, Ph.D. is founder and editor of the magazine for children, "Highlights for Children". For thirteen years Dr. Myers has been writing a daily syndicated newspaper column addressed to parents, carried by more than a hundred newspapers throughout the United States and Canada. The column is syndicated with the King Features Syndicate.

### 1900

Mr. Harry F. Behney (*Katherine Laras*), wife of a Lehigh Valley Railroad Co. accountant, is lecturing and writing on economic and social topics. Last summer spent in research at Columbia University.

### 1897

On January 10, 1947, *Ralph L. Johnson*, Sc.D., and Miss Ella M. Johnson were married. Mr. Johnson is a director of the Upper Darby National Bank.

## Commencement Speaker

Dr. Theodore A. Distler, President of Franklin and Marshall College, since 1941, and president of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Universities, will be the speaker at the Commencement exercises on June 9. The honorary degree of Doctor of Laws will be conferred on Dr. Distler at that time.

## NECROLOGY

*Dr. James Henry Leuba*, former professor of psychology at Bryn Mawr College, died December 8, 1946, at his winter home in Winter Park, Fla., after a long illness.

Dr. Leuba, a graduate of Ursinus in 1888, was the author of several psychological and religious works. He became professor emeritus at Bryn Mawr following his retirement in 1933. Dr. Leuba is survived by his wife, a son, and a daughter.

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*The Rev. Leander J. Rohrbaugh*, died in Seattle, Washington, September 28, 1946, at the age of 74. He was a graduate of Ursinus in 1894, and of the Theological Seminary. He served churches in Allentown, Pa., and North Lima and Canfield, Ohio, for 48 years. Three sons and a daughter survive him.

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*The Rev. Adam E. Schellhase*, D.D., pastor of Christ Evangelical and Reformed Church, Hellertown, Pa., died December 16, 1946, after several months' illness. A native of Chambersburg, Pa., Dr. Schellhase was a member of the class of 1918 at Ursinus, and a graduate of the Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, in 1921.

He was president of the Hellertown Lions Club, a Mason, and a member of the executive board of the Bethlehem Tuberculosis and Health Society. Dr. Schellhase is survived by a son and a daughter.

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*Cyril C. Helfferich* '24, prominent Allentown securities broker and brother of Donald L. Helfferich, vice-president of Ursinus College, died on February 5 after an illness of several months.

Mr. Helfferich attended Mercersburg Academy, Lehigh University, and Ursinus, and received his master's degree in business at Harvard. He was a member of the Harvard Club of New York, the Harvard Committee of a Thousand, the New York Security Analyst, Christ Evangelical and Reformed Church in Bath; and was a generous supporter of charities and cultural projects.

His parents, Mrs. William U. Helfferich (Nora Shuler), and the late Mr. Helfferich, were graduated from Ursinus in 1893. His mother and three brothers, all graduates of Ursinus, survive him.

*Capt. Burton L. Weil*, a former member of the class of 1938, was killed in an airplane crash last fall at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Captain Weil, a P-38 Lightning pilot of the 27th Pursuit Squadron during the Tunisian campaign, was shot down and captured in Tripoli on January 18, 1943, three weeks after shooting down a German Messerschmitt. He was liberated from a camp in Germany in May 1945.

Captain Weil was a graduate of West Philadelphia High School. He left Ursinus to enter the University of Tennessee, and in 1940, he joined the Army Air Forces. He held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters. He was on his way home aboard a twin-engine bomber from March Field, Calif., where he had been flying P-80 jet-propelled fighters, when the accident occurred.

Captain Weil is survived by his mother and his stepfather, a construction engineer.

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*Harold F. Edwards*, a graduate of Ursinus in 1939, and former member of the Varsity soccer team and baseball manager, died suddenly after a brief illness, in the Harrisburg Hospital, February 1, 1947. Mr. Edwards, a staff sergeant with several years' service overseas, was twice the only member of his company to escape annihilation during the Normandy invasion. He was employed by the Harrisburg Standard Brands Food Company.

His wife and infant son, born February 5, 1947, survive.

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*Alvin J. Creitz*, an honor student of the class of 1943 at Ursinus, died suddenly December 12, 1946. Mr. Creitz was studying for his doctorate in engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served two years in the U. S. Navy, with the rank of lieutenant. Most of the time in service, Mr. Creitz spent in the South Pacific-Asiatic theatres.

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*Robert R. Spears* '10, assistant foreman of the bacteriological department, Pennsylvania Railroad test department chemical laboratory, died Monday, December 2, 1946, in the University of Pennsylvania hospital, Philadelphia.

Mr. Spears had been ill for some months, and had been a patient in the Altoona hospital for a number of weeks before he was taken to the Philadelphia

hospital where he underwent an operation.

He was born in Reading, May 18, 1889, and was a graduate of Reading High School. He entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Altoona in 1916.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Vi Ella Spears; one niece, Mrs. Dorothy Spears, of New York City; and two cousins, Mrs. Edith Sonnen of Reading and Ralph Spears of Reading.

Mr. Spears was a past master of Logan Lodge 490, a member of Mountain Royal Arch Chapter 189, Mountain Council 9, and Mountain Commandery 10, Knights Templar. He was also a member of the York Cross of Honor, a recorder for the Mountain Commandery for the past 10 years, one of the initial organizers of the DeMolay, and advisor to De Molay.

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Funeral services for the late Mrs. Harry E. Paisley, wife of the president of the Board of Directors of the College, were held on Saturday afternoon, February 22, 1947, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Paisley, whose maiden name was Carrie Strassburger, had a long association with Ursinus. Dr. Paisley has been a member of its Board of Directors since 1907, and president of this body since 1910.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Paisley is survived by a son, Ellwood S. Paisley '13, and a grandson, Dr. E. Spencer Paisley '39.

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Mrs. J. Lynn Barnard, nee Jessie Cummings, widow of the late Dr. J. Lynn Barnard, for many years a member of the faculty of Ursinus College, died at her home in Albany, N. Y., November 16, 1946. Funeral services and burial took place near Cooperstown, N. Y. Mrs. Barnard's two daughters survive her.

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Miriam E. Hendricks died after a long illness on February 10 in a convalescent home in Norristown. Although not an Ursinus graduate, she was well-known to the college people, particularly because of her father's long service during his lifetime as a member of the Ursinus Board of Directors.

She is survived by her mother, Ella M. Hendricks.



# War Memorial Committee Requests Expression of Opinion from Alumni

By

Ernest C. Wagner '10

A committee has been appointed by Philip B. Willauer '30, president of the Alumni Association, and the Executive Committee, to consider selection of a memorial to Ursinus men who sacrificed their lives in the recent war. The Committee, which will work closely with the Planning Committee of the Board of Directors, is desirous of selecting one or more projects which will be appropriate, capable of realization and favored by alumni.

In the long-term development plans of the Board of Directors, a new *women's dormitory* is designated as the most urgent project, and was suggested earlier as a war memorial, but as it appears to be rather generally regarded as inappropriate it is not at present urged. A *new gymnasium*, which is Project 7 of the Board's plan, and which is inherently an appropriate subject for a war memorial, seems to be excluded from consideration because arrangements already exist for a gymnasium to be provided by the Federal Government and without cost to the College, in the form of a suitable structure to be moved to Collegeville from one of the wartime military centers. Other projects included in the Board's plan and mentioned here for consideration by alumni are (a) Project 3: the creation of a *fund for endowment of memorial professorships* or of a fund for endowment of memorial *scholarships*, and (b) Project 12: a new *men's dormitory* to house about fifty students.

A project which already has been well received by many of the alumni interviewed thus far is a *student union building* in which, depending upon its size and completeness, there could be housed the college store, the bookshop, and the post office; a general reception and lounging room; reading, game and music rooms; committee rooms and offices for campus enterprises and for the Alumni Secretary; lavatories, soda fountain, lunch counter, small auditorium, and other needed space. The possibility that such a center, if operated capably and perhaps cooperatively, could be wholly or nearly self-sustaining, might offset the fact that a student union building is not mentioned in the Board's long-term building plan. Some of the facilities mentioned are now present on the campus, but they are more or less scattered and in some cases of doubtful adequacy. Alumni, perhaps more than residents at the College, have been aware that there are few satisfactory places to which to repair for meeting and talking in comfort with friends and schoolmates, especially in bad weather.

The War Memorial Committee urges you to consider the projects mentioned and others that come to mind, and to inform the committee as to which projects you would most willingly support. *Please express your views freely and fully and send them promptly to Ernest C. Wagner, 316 N. Princeton Ave., Swarthmore, Pa.*

## ALUMNI ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

2:00 P. M. JUNE 7

The Executive Committee plans to have votes taken by ballot on any matters of importance that may come before the business meeting of the Association. Ballots will be distributed at the meeting and only members in good standing of the Association will be entitled to vote.

# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NOMINEES

Brief biographies of candidates nominated for office in the Ursinus College Alumni Association, the Association's Executive Committee, and the College Board of Directors are printed below. Ballots have been mailed to all active members, and in order to be counted, must be received by the Secretary by May 1, 1947.

## PRESIDENT

**PHILIP B. WILLAUER** '30. M.A., Clark U., 1931; Ph.D., U. of P., 1935; LL.B., Temple U., 1937. Ursinus College Faculty, 1931-38. Assoc. with Duane, Morris & Heckscher, 1937-42. Lt. U.S.N.R., 1943-45. Assoc. with Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll, 1945. Pres. Ursinus Alumni Assn. 1946-. Member: Phila., Penna., and Amer. Bar Assns.

**LOUIS W. MITCHELL** '34. B.D., Drew U., 1937; pastorates, Chestnut Hill, Stonehurst Hills, Parkesburg, Siloam, Church of the Redeemer, Phila., 1944-. Dean, Colledgeville Institute for Methodist Youth, 1945-46; member, Conference Bd. of Temp. and Bd. of Evangelism; trustee, Methodist Hospital; member, Mason.

**ALFRED GEMMELL** '39. A.M., U. of P., 1947. Riegel Paper Corp., Milford, N. J., 1941. Tchr. of biol. and soc. studies, Perkiomen Seminary, 1941-43. Dean and tchr. of history, Perkiomen Seminary, 1943-. Married 1943. Grad. stud., U. of P. Member: Tau Kappa Alpha (honorary debating fraternity).

## VICE-PRESIDENT

**EMMA HUYETT LIVENGOOD** '21. High school teacher, Bethel, 1921-22; Wernersville, 1922-23. Married 1923. Member: College Club (York).

**JESSE G. HEIGES** '35. LL.B., U. of P., 1938. Assoc. lawyer with Mudge, Stern, Williams & Tucker, New York, N. Y., 1938-42; 1946-. Naval Officer, duty on submarine chasers, 1943-46. Vice-Pres., Ursinus Alumni Assn. 1946-. Member: New York State Bar, Amer. Bar Assn.

**VICTOR TROXELL** '41. U. S. Naval Reserve 1941-45 (naval aviator), Curtis Publishing Co., 1945-. (asst. mgr., subscription detail division). Member, Nat. Office Mgrs. Assn., Nat. Exchange Club.

## SECRETARY-TREASURER

**MIRIAM BARNET SMITH** '14. M.A., U. of P., 1932; B.S. in Lib. Sc., Drexel Inst. of Tech., 1937. H.S. tchr., Leesburg, N. J., 1914-15; Palmerton, Pa., 1915-18; Chester, 1918-24; Allentown, 1924-27; Upper Darby, 1927-35. Married, 1935. Pres., Ursinus Woman's Club, 1941-43; Sec.-Treas., Ursinus College Alum. Assn., 1944-. Member: Colledgeville Community Club, A.A.U.W.

**C. ARTHUR GEORGE** '24. J.M., Phila. College of Law, Prin., Whitpain Twp. Consol. School., Blue Bell, Pa., 1924-26. Publ., Montg. Co. Daily Legal Record, 1927-. Justice of the Peace, Colledgeville Boro., 1934-. Deputy Clerk of Courts, Montg. Co., 1935-. Law Office of H. Wilson Stahlnecker and Nelson P. Fegley, 1926-. Member: Warren Lodge, F. & A. M.; Lehigh Consistory, A.A.S.R.; Lions' Club; Colledgeville Fire Co., Montg. Co. Firemen's Assn.

**ELIZABETH BALLINGER GROVE** '38. Grad. stud., U. of P., 1939-40, Temple U., 1940-41. H. S. tchr., Del. Twp. Jr. H. S. 1938-42; Royersford, 1942-43; Colledgeville, 1943-45. Married 1940. Member: N.E.A., P.S.E.A., Colledgeville Community Club.

## ALUMNI DIRECTOR

**ERNEST E. QUAY** '11. Tchr. of English and coach of athletics, Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, 1911-27. Tchr., School of Business, Wyoming Seminary, 1927-41; director, 1941-. Member: Mason, Eastern Commercial Tchrs. Assn., Natl. Bus. Tchrs. Assn.

**CLARENCE S. LIVINGOOD** '32. M.D., U. of P. Schl. of Med., 1936; diplomate, Amer. Bd. of Dermatology and Syphilology, 1941. Intern and fellow, Hosp. of the U. of P., 1936-41; asst. prof. Dermatology, U. of P. Schl. of Med., 1946; asst. prof. Dermatology, Grad. Med. Schl. of U. of P., 1946; expert consultant in Dermatology to Secy. of War, 1946; consultant in Dermatology to Vet. Admin., 1946; attending dermatologist, Hosp. of the U. of P. Children's Hosp., Bryn Mawr Hosp., 1946-. Member: Fellow, Am. Med. Assn., Am. Acad. of Dermatology and Syphilology, Society for In-

vestigative Dermatology and Syphilology, Phila. Dermatological Soc. and Med. Consultants Soc. of World War II.

**H. OBER HESS** '33. LL.B., Harvard U. Law School, 1936. Law Sec. to Justice James B. Drew, Supreme Ct. of Pa., 1936-38; legal asst. sec., Commonwealth of Penna., 1940-42; member, Penna. Bd. of Finance and Revenue, 1940-42. Member: Penna. and Montgomery Cty. Bar Assns.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(From College Faculty and Administration)

**CHARLES D. MATTERN** '30. Ph.D., U. of P., 1940. Instr., and now asst. prof., Ursinus, 1937-. Member: Amer. Phil. Assn., Amer. Assn. of Univ. Prof.

**FOSTER L. DENNIS** '31. A.M., Cornell U., 1932; Ph.D., U. of Ill., 1938. Tchr., Milton H. S., 1932-34; Instr. of math., Ursinus, 1934-35; Instr. of math., U. of Ill., 1935-38; assoc. prof. of math., Ursinus, 1938-. Member: Math. Assn. of Amer.

**NATALIE A. HOGELAND** '42. Instr. in New Holland, Pa., H. S., 1942-43; Ursinus College, phys. Ed., 1943-. Grad. stud., U. of Wis. Member: A.A.U.W., Amer. Assn. Health, Phys. Ed. & Rec., Phila. Board of Nat. Off. Com.

**ROGER P. STAIGER** '43. Instr., inorganic chem., Ursinus, 1943-44; grad. stud., U. of P.; U. S. Navy, 1944; exec. officer, destroyer transport, USS Gorka, 1945-46; instr., chem., Ursinus, and grad. stud., U. of P., 1946-.

(From General Alumni Association)

**GRACE N. KRAMER** '14. A.M., U. of P., 1928; summer sch. stud., Rutgers U., 1928-. Tchr., Audubon H. S., 1914-17; Lower Merion H. S., 1917-18; prin., Audubon Jr. Sch., 1918-26, Audubon Jr.-Sr. H. S., 1926-. Member: Ursinus Woman's Club, Ursinus Alum. Assn., U. of P. Alum. Assn., Camden Cty. Branch, Tchrs. and Supervisor's Assn., N. J. Edn. Assn., N. J. Principals' Assn., N. J. Guid. and Per. Assn., Natl. Guid. Assn., Phila. Suburban Prin. Assn.

**MALCOLM M. DERK** '26. Grad. Stud., Springfield College; athl. instr., H. S., Elkins Park, 1929-32; tchr., Cheltenham Twp. Jr. H. S., Wyncote, 1932-. Member: Natl. Bd. Basketball Officials, Phila. Bd. Football Officials, Mason (32°).

**DAVID R. STEPHENSON** '34. F. W. Woolworth Co., Norris-town, 1934-35; estimator, York Printing Co., York, 1935-39; office mgr., Rudisill and Smith Co., Lancaster, 1939-42; asst. treas., Rudisill and Smith Co., 1942-45; personnel director, A. B. Farquhar Co., York, 1945-. Member: Natl. Assn. of Cost Accountants, Am. Bus. Club.

**DOROTHY THOMAS SHELLEY** '35. A.M., U. of P., 1940. Sec. to Registrar, Ursinus College, 1935-38; Asst. to the Registrar, 1938-42; Sec. to the Vice-Pres., U. of P., 1942; Sec. to Pres., 1942-46; Admin. Asst., Pennsylvania hospital survey 1946-. Editor, *Alumni Journal*. Member: Women's Univ. Club.

**ALEXANDER R. CLAWSON** '36. Plant Res. Dept., Barrett Div., Allied Chem. and Dye Corp., Phila., 1936-43; Asst. Chemist, Ehret Magnesia Mfg. Co., Valley Forge, 1943-. Member: Colledgeville Borough Council.

**J. JUSTUS BODLEY** '38. LL.B., Temple U. Schl. of Law, 1944. Stud., part-time, Temple U. Schl. of Law, 1938-42; Fordham U., 1943-44; Employee, Central-Penn Nat. Bank, 1938-39; law offices, Montgomery & McCracken, 1939-42; special agent, F.B.I., 1942-45; attorney at law, 1946-. Member: Phila. Bar Assn., Penna. Bar Assn., Exchange Club of Phila.

**HARRY ATKINSON** '40. Comptroller's office, Campbell Soup Co., 1940-41. U. S. Army, pvt. to major, 1941-Mar. 1946; Campbell Sales Co., 1946-. (asst. sales promotion mgr. since Feb. 1947.) Member: American Legion.

**JAMES W. MARSHALL** '44. Drew Theo. Sem.; Sec. of Middler Class. Pastor of Methodist Church, Avon-by-the-Sea, N. J. Chaplain of Avon Men's Club. Faculty Member, Youth Institute of Methodist Church, N. J. Conference.