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SOCIAL CASE-WORK

BY JULIA MORRISSEY FULLER '24

A REQUEST for an article on "Social Work" seemed, at first, a relatively easy one to meet. But, confronted with a pad of yellow paper and that teeming landscape of social work which I've been studying for the last four years, I feel much as I did when I first tried to sketch a hillside; I can't decide what to leave out!

I shall limit myself to "social case-work"—that indispensable tool of all good social workers, the proper handling of which I have been studying for the last three years at the New York School for Social Work on a fellowship offered by the Charity Organization Society.

Do I hear my fellow classmates ask, "What in the world were you doing before that?"

Thereto adheres a tale which may serve to illustrate the place of "case-work" in "social work." For, you see, I did not enter the field by the main gate, which would have been a properly outlined "course" duly completed upon graduation from Connecticut College; rather, I wandered about for a long time not knowing just what was the best approach to the problems of which experience made me keenly aware. There were six months in which I completed a school term as a teacher of English in a consolidated high school; then a year of "volunteering" in county club work with boys and girls in my home town. There followed three and a half years as Kay Slayter's successor in girls' club work in Northampton, and then some work with the International Institute of the Y.W.C.A. These were all community jobs with an emphasis upon group work. And in all of them, it seemed, there was forever emerging the problem of the individual—a problem which, I found, could not be met by any of the techniques of community organization or group planning which experience and study had given me. There was the child whose progress in school was blocked by his home conditions; the maladjusted girl who couldn't fit into the group, or the "exceptional" girl who got too much attention. There were the "second generation" daughters of foreign parents who were so upset about their problems at home that they were misfits in the community. And then there were "advisory boards" with archaic ideas about "charity" and "the poor"; their sincerity was not to be doubted, but their attitudes forever seemed to block constructive planning.

Out of these experiences emerged a strong desire for study and training along the lines of a more direct and scientific approach to the problem of helping the individual adjust to his environment. It was at this point that I went to see Miss Claire M. Tousley, whom you all will remember for her talks on "Junior Month." She came to the rescue by directing me to the Charity Organization Society; they offered me a special fellowship on which I worked in the organization and

concurrently studied social case-work at the New York School for Social Work.

The last three years have been full of the stimulation and thrill of working and studying in a young and rapidly developing profession. In all its truly professional phases, social case-work is devoted to the thorough and scientific development of an approach to the problem of helping the human being whose capacity to organize his own normal social activities in a given environment may be impaired by one or more deviations from accepted standards of normal social life, such as, for instance, alcoholism, bad housing, delinquency, "foreign-ness," insufficient wages, unemployment, mental ill health, physical handicaps, and the like. This implies a knowledge of the human being as such, a study of environment, of social norms and deviations from them, examination of existing resources for treating these deviations.

Social case-work is steadily increasing its competence in the area of helping the individual to adjust; this competence is derived in a large degree from the fact that the approach is scientific and thus divested of that sentimentality and patronage which gave to "charity" a connotation which served only to increase the misery of the unadjusted. The emphasis has changed from somewhat undirected attacks on environment and social deviations to an emphasis upon evaluating the existing capacity of each individual in relation to his environment and helping him to use this capacity constructively for his own adjustment. In other words, to help him to help himself! This is an approach which is full of preventive as well as remedial possibilities. Doesn't it seem more hopeful than a routinely administered "dole," or a glass of wine jelly for a cripple, or a doll for a feeble-minded child?

Case-work is the tool of every truly competent social worker, no matter what the field. There are specializations in its use as applied to medical social work, family social work, psychiatric social work, child welfare work, recreational work, etc. Family casework, which is the specific branch of social work I know best because of my association with the C.O.S., performs a special function in the community as a studying, treating, and directing agency in its efforts to help the individual and the family to adjust to the environment. The social case-worker in such an agency must familiarize herself with each of the other specialized fields of social work-hospitals, clinics, settlement houses, churches, recreational groups, etc. She must do this, not for the purpose of becoming a medical social worker or a specialist in these fields, but rather for the purpose of preparing herself to perfect a method of working with clients so that she may arrive at an understanding of the family problems with due consideration for the realities of the client's feelings and his significance in the total situation.

The social case-worker in the family agency must work with the family unit in mind. She must study the individual problem in terms of what it means to the rest of the family, as well as to the individual. So-we may have Mrs. X referred to us by a visiting nurse because "she is worried about herself and needs someone to talk to." This client comes to the family agency for help with her personal problem, which she describes as her "nervousness" and which (she says) is caused by her inability to get work. As the case-worker talks with Mrs. X and studies the situation, she perceives other causes. Mrs. X is separated from her husband; she has mixed feelings about her little girl, aged five, whose birth had precipitated the break with her husband; she has had to take her fifteen-year-old son out of private school and put him to work. These things have meant a far from normal life for the son, who is a promising lad and quite concerned about his future; they have also meant an emotional handicap for the little girl. Mrs. X is referred to a neurological clinic and the case-worker coöperates with the clinic in working out family plans. The case-worker forms a friendly contact with the son and, with his enthusiastic coöperation, refers him to a vocational guidance clinic with which the worker coöperates in helping him plan for the future. An effort is made to help Mrs. X plan for her little girl, who is beginning to sense the insecurity of her position in the family group.

Another type of situation is that of Mrs. R, who is going blind. She cannot continue with the sewing which has given her a modest living. She comes to the family agency to "help me keep my spirit and find some plan

for taking care of myself."

The M's are a very young couple who come to the family agency for help with their marital difficulties. Mrs. M is only eighteen; she is concerned about the child that is coming and about her husband's attitudes. She wants advice and she has found that going to friends "only gets you into more trouble because they carry tales." Mr. M is not angry when he learns that his wife has been to the family agency. He comes in too, takes off his coat, and says to the caseworker: "I hope you have a lot of time! I've got a lot of worries to get off my chest." This is the sort of situation which the caseworker handles by carefully sustained contacts with both Mr. and Mrs. M, working with them in an effort to help them clarify their feelings for one another, and to work out the plan for the family life that both really want.

And now I hear you saying, "What about relief?"

Of course the family agency does give relief, but not in the form of a routinely administered "dole." The relief which is given is part of the working plan for helping the family regain its self-supporting place in the community. Mrs. X will receive money for food and rent until her health improves sufficiently for her to return to work. If the boy gets some work consistent with plans for his future, relief will be in the form of supplementation. Mrs. R will probably need financial help until she learns a new "trade." On the other hand, Mr. M has a job; they want only advice on their marital problems. However, if they are not helped by someone at this point, a separation might result in Mrs. M's dependence upon the community. The family agency is particularly interesting because of its preventive possibilities.

Connecticut College alumnæ are all potential committee members and, at the risk of making this sound too much like a testimonial, I can't help wishing that each of you might be "converted" to a belief in social case-work as a necessary tool for those of your community agencies that are trying to meet its social problems.

MARION HENDRIE MILLIGAN

1898-1935

THERE always have been a few rare people who crowd into a comparatively small number of years such a wealth of experience and accomplishment that we marvel at their capacity and wonder about the source of their strength. Seldom do we know these people, and if among our countless acquaintances or few close friends we meet one such person we are indeed happy. Just such a rarely gifted person many of us have known well, a few of us have known intimately. She is Marion Hendrie Milligan, and for all of us

life has been much pleasanter because of knowing her.

"Is" is the right word to use in talking about Marion, for so much of her is definitely a part of everyone who came to know her, so fully did she give of herself. So real is her influence now that for many of us it will be difficult to do the kind of thing to which we know she was opposed, impossible not to espouse the causes for which she stood.

Marion lived unselfishly and very intensely. The breathlessness with which she saw each new thing, the steadiness with which she followed through with each old one are the inseparable characteristics which made her a joy as a companion. To be with her for only a short time was a tremendously stimulating experience. So vividly did she feel things that everything semed a little more alive, problems a little more real, tragedies a little sadder, foolish things a little funnier. It is truly wonderful to be able to respond so wholeheartedly to all about one as Marion did.

Quick, alert, and sensitive to everything, she loved living. Injustice she could not tolerate and courageously labelled it when she saw it. Her sense of humor had great contagion. As a matter of fact, she could be and was the most ridiculous and by far the funniest

person in any gay gathering.

Marion saw needs more quickly and clearly than others. Nothing was too small or drab to be passed over. But she was not satisfied with recognizing needs; she never stopped until she had done something to help meet them. Her activities in her own community and her contribution there to the problems of education, relief, and recreation are evidences of only a small part of her concerns. How she found time also to read omnivorously and write, in her own inimitable style, stories and letters is one of the many wonders about her. While the rest of us were swamped by one extra thing Marion did ten, and then would produce for our inspection her own movie version in picture form of "The Three Little Pigs," which she dashed off for the amusement of her children.

The speed with which she produced from her always overloaded purse the latest snapshots of "my three men" was proof of where her heart was. The hospitable and charming hostess, the sensible yet devoted mother, the companion and friend, were roles which topped all her others.

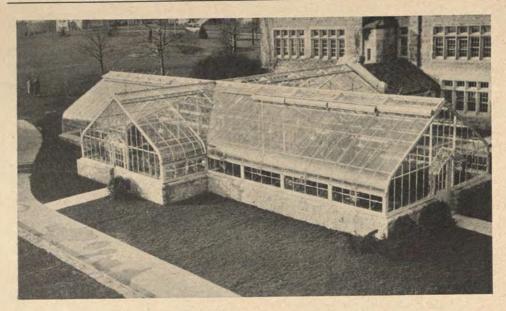
Her love for Connecticut College, like all of her enthusiasms, was no passive thing. To every phase of the work of the Alumnæ Association she gave careful thought, from strengthening the constitution to demanding working officers; from creating active chapters to establishing an alumnæ office. The fact that alumnæ of a new college are a comparatively young, inexperienced, and impecunious group would discourage most organizers. Not Marion. She took the long view of this, as she did of all things, and spoke in optimistic terms that brought only the best response as she travelled from city to city to talk to chapters. Surely in the history of Connecticut College it will be written that, "Lo, her name led all the rest. . . ."

Marion Hendrie Milligan, 1920, died in New York on November 7, 1935, following a long illness. She was elected Alumna Trustee in the Spring of 1935, at which time the following biographical information about her was compiled: Born in Stamford, Connecticut. Attended Stamford High School before entering Connecticut College with the class of 1920. Majored in English. Held offices while in college. Has held the following offices in the Alumnæ Association: Secretary, 1929; President, 1930-34; Councillor, 1934- . Since graduation she has held the following positions and offices: Assistant Editor, Good Housekeeping Magazine; teacher of English, Abbot Academy and Stamford High School; Vice-president of the Parent-Teachers' Association, Emporium, Pennsylvania, 1931; President, Parent-Teachers' Association, 1932; Chairman, Community Committee on Kindergartens, Emporium, Pennsylvania, 1930-31: President, Board of Health, Emporium, 1931-33; Member of the Governor's Committee on Emergency Relief, Pennsylvania, 1932-33; Member of the Board of Emergency Relief, Area No. 9, and Representative of Cameron County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1933. Married to Francis B. Milligan, sanitary engineer. Two children.

OLD CELLAR HOLES

Old cellar holes are dream boxes With their lids off. Stone on stone, dream on dream, They were builded. On their firm sturdiness Children grew and dreamed BY MURIEL S. KENDRICK '29

Their dreams and died; But now the lids are off The dream boxes. Pioneer dreams are still adrift On the spring air.



THE BOTANY DEPARTMENT PROGRESSES

TN THE LAST magazine we briefly men-I tioned the new greenhouse, successor to the former inadequate structure which snuggled against New London Hall and made several rooms practically useless in their darkness. This new laboratory has two large compartments for demonstrations and student greenhouse gardens, and smaller compartments for individual work of advanced students and for faculty research. It is in the two heavily insulated rooms below this structure that Dr. Avery and his associates are devoting themselves to the pursuit of plant hormones. And it is the hormone research which solicited enough interest from various sources to bring the college more than \$20,000 toward this equipment. No wonder that every request for campus news this fall has been answered by a reference to the hormone!

A botanist defines a plant hormone as something which, when present in minute amounts, enables some life process, such as growth, to go on. Hormones can be extracted chemically from a plant but there is no known chemical test to detect the presence of hormones in minute amounts. All tests are made upon seedling plants. Botanists have ascertained that there are three different kinds of hormones and these have been named Auxin A, Auxin B, and Hetero-Auxin. Research findings at the Boyce Thompson Institute, Yonkers, New York, suggest that there may be many other plant



growth hormones.

The effect of light, temperature, and other factors on growth of plants, as well as the defining of different kinds of hormones, will be studied by Professor Avery and his staff. The laboratories are so equipped that monochromatic light can be thrown upon any plant at any time. Red is supposed to accelerate plant growth, while blue, violet, and ultraviolet are deterrents. If it is true that corn or any other plant grows faster at night, because of the unfavorable presence of blue in the daylight spectrum, that plant can have its light without the blue and thus show what it can do in the most favorable light conditions.

Bending of a plant stem or of leaves toward light is attributed to a redistribution of hormones. A similar redistribution takes place when plants are laid on their side. Their stems respond by turning upward, away from gravity. Part of the study will be devoted to the securing of data on this phase of plant growth and there will be research into the question of what relation the hormones in a plant have to dwarfing, gigantism, and the like.

Plants such as native hollies, dogwood, and laurel, cuttings from which just refuse to take root under ordinary conditions, will be subjected to intense study. In some instances it has been found that hormones can be applied to a cutting and roots speedily grow. Here, of course, is a commercial value as a possible development from the study, for growth from seed, in many cases, is a long process.

Professor Avery, who turned aside from a prospective career in foreign service because of his interest in plant science, is enthusiastic over the possibilities of the research in the new greenhouse and hormone laboratory. He believes that findings regarding hormones may advance the plant sciences to the extent that discovery of the electron did for physics. A graduate of Tulane, with higher degrees from Dartmouth and the University of Wisconsin, Professor Avery came to Connecticut College from the faculty of Duke University. During the year 1930-31, he held a national research fellowship in the biological sciences. His associates in the research project are Dr. Paul R. Burkholder, assistant professor of botany, who is also a former national research fellow, Dr. Harriet B. Creighton, an instructor, and Miss Beatrice A. Scheer, an assistant in the department.

Students in the advanced botany courses will also be encouraged to participate in the studies.

THE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR OFFERS STATISTICS

BY L. ALICE RAMSAY '23, PERSONNEL DIRECTOR

ON EVERY HAND we hear the encouraging news that times are better. Is this just election propaganda or are there definite signs of improvement? We have found from the replies to the annual questionnaire which we send to you each year that beginning salaries are still very low, the salary range for the Class of 1935 being from \$350 to \$1300 with more than 50 per cent of those heard from falling below \$1000. However, salaries for experienced alumnæ have in some cases jumped as high as \$400 this past year, with a definite improvement

in many instances. Again using the Class of 1935 as an example, we find that there has been more employment. Thirty per cent of the class went into teaching: eight in high schools, six in private schools, and four as college assistants; 28 per cent have gone into secretarial work as diversified as suggested by the following offices: the Assistant Administrator of Public Works in Washington, the Connecticut State Board of Education, the League of Women Voters headquarters, a U. S. employment office, private work for a college professor; 12 per cent

went into social work, 10 per cent into insurance offices, 8 per cent into merchandising, 6 per cent into banking, and 1 per cent into each of the following fields: statistical, research, and laboratory work. Twenty-two per cent of the class are continuing their studies: 16 are working for M.A.'s, two for M.D.'s, two are continuing in social work; two are in business schools, one in nursing, one in dietetics, and two are studying abroad. Twenty-one per cent are at home, more than half because they choose to be or because they are engaged to be married, and 8 per cent because they have been unsuccessful in finding jobs.

Just recently we were asked to supply information on the entire alumnæ body for a speaker who is coming here to discuss marriage and careers. In order to answer her questions, we checked and double checked our records (those cards that you send in?!) for two days until we found that of the 1580 alumnæ 653 are married—14 per cent of whom are working—with only eight divorces reported. One hundred eighty-four of these married alumnæ have one child; 131 have two children; 34 have three; four have four; and 300 have none; thus making our batting average .98 of a child per married alumna.

A request for the number of alumnæ having advanced degrees produced the following: 84 M.A.'s, seven Ph.D.'s, six M.S.'s, six M.D.'s, five M.S.S.'s, three R.M.'s, three

D.O.'s, two O.T.'s, one D.D.S., one LL.B., one B.D., one F.A.G.O., one B.N., one M.N., one M.R.E. Sounds like the New Deal, but it's really our alumnæ versatility.

I feel that you do not know how often Kathryn Moss and I use these records—actually day in and day out. "How?" you ask; to bring the college addressograph up-to-date; to supply lists of alumnæ in certain localities for chapters, teas, receptions, etc.; to answer surveys and questionnaires sent in from other colleges, organizations, and individuals; to supply news for the campus paper and the alumnæ magazine; to aid the faculty in keeping in touch with their major students; to supply class lists for officers and reunion chairmen; to recommend married alumnæ for interesting local volunteer work; to do efficient and intelligent placement.

The last from my standpoint is the most important of all. If I do not have up-to-date information and recommendations concerning each one of you, I do not feel justified in going to the expense of wiring or telephoning about an opening that might be just what you want. Good jobs are scarce, good salaries are rare, but every once in a while President Blunt, Mrs. Woodhouse, or another member of the faculty will report an opening that is a *position*, not a job. Are you on our minds when we start our search for a candidate? You are, if your current card is in our active file.

NEWS ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

BY IRENE NYE

In LINE with a projected development of the work in English Speech, tests are being given to all freshmen with a view to ascertaining how general is the need for courses in Spoken English.

In Fine Arts, the offering has been reorganized to allow emphasis upon (1) creative work, or, (2) the history of the graphic arts. Under (1) the first two courses take up line and form, then color, and include lectures on theory and outdoor sketching. Later come Art

Processes, Advanced Composition, Interior Architecture, and Advanced Painting and Etching. In (2) courses in History of Art, Modern Painting, and the History of Painting are offered. Mr. Logan and Miss Hanson are co-chairmen of the department. Mr. Winslow Ames, Director of the Lyman Allyn Museum, and Mr. Henry-Russell Hitchcock, formerly at Vassar, now at Wesleyan, are part-time lecturers.

A General Introduction to Classical Arche-

ology offered by the Classical Department supplements the work of the two fields, History of Art and Classical Philology.

In Music, class lessons in piano and singing plus harmony and music appreciation form two new six-point courses especially intended for those whose interest in music is that of the seeker after general culture. Private lessons with special fee are still available to students who desire them.

The Political Science Department has added another instructor and two semester courses: Political Theory and Political Parties. The Rise of Prussia appears for the first time in the History offering. Experimental Psychology for seniors has been added. In Business Administration there is a new course, Business Communication, and in Social Science there are three: Public Finance, Public Utility Economics, and Social Economy.

Home Economics now allows emphasis upon (1) Foods and Nutrition, (2) The House and Household Management, and, (3) Institutional Economics. A new course is offered in nutrition work with children.

ALUMNA TRUSTEE

Marenda Prentis of the Class of 1919 has been chosen Alumna Trustee by the Executive Board of the Alumnæ Association and approved by the Board of Trustees to fill the unexpired term of Marion Hendrie Milligan. Miss Prentis was born in New London, and attended Williams Memorial Institute before entering college. She majored in English in college and took her M.A. at Yale University in Education. While in college she was a class officer and an officer of the Student Government Association. She has been President, Vice-president, and Counsellor of the Alumnæ Association. Since graduation she has been engaged in various kinds of social work, and is now employed by the Boston Home and School Visitors Association as Executive Secretary. She is a member of the American Association of Visiting Teachers, National Conference of Social Work, Boston Council of Social Agencies, and the Massachusetts Civic League. Her address is 110 White Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

AMONG THE CHAPTERS

EDITED BY JULINE WARNER COMSTOCK '19, ASSISTANT EDITOR

In November the BOSTON CHAPTER held a dinner meeting at the Republican Club in honor of Mrs. Chase Going Woodhouse who brought news of the college and described her Institute of Women's Professional Relations.

The new officers of the CHICAGO CHAPTER, elected at the October meeting, are as follows: Ernestine Herman, '34, president; Harriette Webster, '35, secretary; Ruth Fordyce, '35, treasurer; Margaret Ray, '33, publicity chairman; Beth Flanders, '34, Women's College Board representative.

The annual Christmas dinner for undergraduates was held shortly before the holiday, at the College Club. After dinner, the alumnæ gathered for a short discussion concerning plans for the coming year.

The third annual Christmas dance of the CLEVELAND CHAPTER, held at the Cleveland Club this year, was a great success, with ap-

proximately six hundred guests present.

The regular chapter meetings are held once a month, the business alternating with the social. There have been a variety of programs, including a style show and a bridge and monopoly party.

The annual Christmas undergraduate luncheon was held on December 27 at the Shaker Heights Country Club, with Frances Gabriel Hartman in charge. Most of the thirty who attended were undergraduates. Frances Ernst gave an interesting talk on campus news.

The FAIRFIELD COUNTY CHAPTER has met twice this year. As the territory is large, it is difficult to gather a large group, but there is lots of enthusiasm. The first meeting was a tea at Tide Mill Tavern, Southport, when Kathryn Moss talked about the alumnæ association and chapter work. At the second meeting, November 19, Dr. Lawrence was the speaker and Helen Hemingway Benton was hostess in her lovely home.

A peace meeting, held at Ann Heilpern Randall's studio, proved a stimulating program for the HARTFORD CHAPTER. Mrs. Gustave Kleene, locally prominent in the movement, led the discussion: "The College Woman Looks at War and Peace." Alison Hastings Porritt '19 and Dora Schwartz Gaberman '20, both active in the state-wide campaign, added much to the discussion.

Chapter members from 1935 were responsible for a most successful invitation subscription dance at the Town and Country Club during Christmas vacation. Dr. and Mrs. Leib attended as patron and patroness.

Elmo Ashton Decherd entertained the MERIDEN CHAPTER in November. The speakers of the evening were Alice Galante and Ruth Wheeler, representatives of the Connecticut Light and Power Company, whose subject was: "Better Light for Better Sight."

In December, a Christmas party was held at the home of the secretary, Frances Hubbard.

The officers of the New HAVEN CHAPTER for the coming year are: president, Marion Nichols '32; vice-president, Jane Trace '34; treasurer, Esther Stone '29; social chairman, Helen Douglass North '24; membership chairman, Frances Saunders Tarbell '19; publicity chairman, Elizabeth Moyle Gold '23; secretary, Lois Pond '35.

The bridge given in November with the West End Institute Association brought \$94 to add to the \$4600 they have already raised toward a permanent tuition scholarship to be established at the college.

The October meeting of the New Jersey Chapter, held at the home of Mary Lagenbacher Clark '23, featured a talk by Henrietta Owens Rogers, who discussed her work in radio advertising.

In December, the group met at the home of Margaret Royall '33 to hear Dr. Lawrence in his own inimitable way present the problem: "What Can Be Done About War?"

The New York Chapter have elected the following officers: president, Grace Demarest Wright; vice-presidents: A. Parks McCombs (New York), Mary Birch Timberman (Long Island), Florence Appel (Westchester), Jean Marshall (Brooklyn); corresponding secretary, Eleanor Morris; recording secretary, Ruth S. Hubbel; chairman entertainment committee, Jane Van Nostrand; treasurer, C. B. Rice; chairman, publicity, Barbara Mundy; chairman, nominating committee, Elizabeth Appenzellar.

At the first meeting, held in October, there was a large attendance to hear Dr. Lawrence. There were twenty-two present in December when alumnæ spoke on various vocations for women: Rosamond Beebe, who is with the Macmillan Company, on books, publishing, and meeting authors; Catharine Greer, who is with the Personnel Bureau at Bloomingdale's, on the personnel end of department store work; C. B. Rice, a photographer, on photography, illustrated with an exhibit of her work.

The chances sold on a \$100 check netted the sum of \$122.61.

The PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER has been delayed in its plans for election of officers. President Blunt met with individuals in November, but no regular meetings had been held in time to report for this issue.

Dinner at Doris Padelford's Fall River restaurant, followed by a surprise bridal shower for Ruth Lister '34 were the features of the October gathering of the PROVIDENCE CHAPTER.

At the second annual sub-freshman party, held in November at the home of Nanci Walker '35, and attended by ten prospective college students and one high school adviser, Dean Burdick gave an interesting talk on the life at Connecticut College and impressed the guests with the type of girl Connecticut College wants and what it expects from its students. Refreshments were served and the girls enjoyed the opportunity to talk over old times with Miss Burdick as well as to interest new students in the college.

On November 19 an extra meeting was called at the home of Ruth Raymond '32 for the purpose of drawing the winner of the \$25 merchandise prize for which chances had been sold at ten cents each or three for twenty-five. Gladys Forster '24 held the lucky number. The chairman of the enterprise, Adeline Anderson Wood '29, estimated that about twenty-five dollars had been added to the treasury.

Dorothy Gould '32. who is teaching at Lincoln, Reba Coe Ehlers '28, now living in Saylesville, and Betty Farnum '35 have recently joined the chapter.

Following their enthusiastic organization meeting in the fall, Washington alumnæ are well under way with their chapter, led by their president, Jessie Bigelow Martin '23, and secretary, Martha Hickam '35.

Imogen Hostetler '26 entertained the second gathering, addressed by Margaret Call Ladd '24, who spoke on the "National Geo-graphic Society."

In December, a raffle on a merchandise certificate netted \$50 for the alumnæ association. The chapter met at the home of Kath-

ryne Cooksey '32.

Martha Hickam was hostess in January, when Imogen Hostetler explained her work with the Board of Public Welfare of the District of Columbia.

CLASS NOTES

1919

CORRESPONDENT: Grace Cockings, 82 Bellevue Ave., Bristol, Conn.

MARRIED-Margery Rowe to Wilfred

Head on May 25, 1935.

Juline Warner Comstock was asked to read her poetry before the Junior Woman's Club of Leonia, N.J., and the Y.W.C.A.,

Central Branch, in New York City.

Ruth Trail McClellan is busy with housekeeping and as chairman of study groups in the Klamath Falls, Ore., Parent-Teacher Association, a combination of three large rural schools. She is also lecturer of the Grange.

Margaret Maher has an apartment at 832

S. Oxford St., Los Angeles.

Batch still enjoys Tucson and has a house with a friend five miles from town.

Frank Otten Seymour has moved to a new apartment at 5003 15th Ave. N.E., Seattle, Wash.

Louise Ansley Knapp has changed her address to 25 Moorland Rd., Williamstown, Mass. The Knapps spent the summer at Oyster River from which Mr. Knapp commuted to the Yale Library. He is writing a biography of Smollett.

Ruth Potter presented her handwoven sampler to President Blunt at the celebration

in October.

Other members of this newest chapter include: Eugenia Walsh Bent '24, Anne Chappelle '19, Joanna Eakin '33, Eleanor Fahey 29, Margaret Cook Curry '30, Joan Garver '33, Edna Kelley '28, Deborah Lippincott '28, Elsie Nelson '33, Elizabeth Phillips '26, Juliet Phillips '30, Virginia Stephenson '32.

Eleanor Penney Herbst '28 was hostess to the WATERBURY CHAPTER in November, when Mr. Walden Trimble, a teacher of interior decoration, addressed the group on "Personality and Its Expression by Selection."

In December a bridge for the benefit of the alumnæ association was held at the home of the chapter president, Marion Pierpont '28. Toys and clothing for needy children were donated by the members at this time.

Modern poetry was the subject of the January meeting, discussed by Mr. William Elwell, vice-principal of the Crosby High School, at the home of Gertrude Traurig '22.

EDITED BY MARY BOND '29, ASSISTANT EDITOR

Clem Jordan Goulart's little David was struck by an automobile and suffered a badly broken leg. He is now able to creep along the

Susan Wilcox spent part of the Christmas vacation in Atlantic City.

1920

CORRESPONDENT: Fanchon Hartman Title, 727 Prospect Ave., Hartford, Conn.

Born-To Kathryn Hulbert Hall, a son, John Wheelock, Dec. 5.

Clarissa Ragsdale will be at Shadyside Lodge again this winter. "Being director of a vacation is intensely interesting though somewhat confining. I'm just five miles from Ridgewood, N.J., at Saddle River."

Joan Munro Odell's father died Nov. 7,

aged 81.

Every member of 1920 feels a personal loss in the death of Marion Hendrie Milligan. We are happy for those few days of reunion when we were with her. Our memories of Marion remain in our hearts, and sorrow is deep and sincere. During our four years 1920 wove a beautiful pattern of friendship and loyalty; to lose one of those fine threads makes a rent in the design that can never be repaired.

Those who have heard little of Frankie Barlow Jopson will be interested in an extract from a letter written to Alice Horrax Schell from Helsingfors, Finland, last May: "I can't go all the way back to the beginning, but life has been good and amusing, and not a moment of it dull. Panama, Germany, Uraguay, Argentine, London and here, all within thirteen years, has not been exactly a moss-growing existence. And 'here' is about as delightful a place to live in as you can imagine. Just now we are playing lots of golf, but at the end of June we get our sail boat, which will be heaven on earth! This entire coast is too lovely for words, rather like Maine, but more sheltered sea, and, as our boat sleeps three, we are taking the important Christopher along as crew, and sailing the seas. . . . I've got a grand boy, aged seven, who will go to school in England next year, and I've got a grand girl aged four, named Mary, who will go to Connecticut College sometime I hope. I am just the same—I am sure there is less change in me than in any of you, so bless you all, and have a good time and remember your affectionate Frankie."

1921

CORRESPONDENT: Loretta Roche, Old Lyme, Conn.

Charlotte Hall Holton writes from a new address in Corona, Calif. She lives now at 121 E. Kendall St., in a house acquired last June, which has kept her busy with all the details incident to "fixing over."

Marion Bedell, who is a member of the faculty of W.M.I. in New London, spent part of her Christmas vacation in New York.

We are glad to know that Dorothy Pryde's mother is making a good recovery from the injury she suffered in a fall several months ago.

1922

CORRESPONDENT: Ann Slade Frey, 35 School St., Hanover, N.H.

1923

CORRESPONDENTS: Edith B. Goldberg, 32 Beverly Rd., West Hartford, Conn.; Helen Higgins Bunyan, 435 Webster Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y.

Life at Brick House Farms holds Ruth Wells Sears' interest and enjoyment. She writes that it is a good life, still new and strange, quiet with less hustle and bustle but full of satisfaction.

Last June, Ethel Kane and Florence Appel went on a South American cruise, returning via Mexico City by air.

1924

CORRESPONDENT: Kathryn Moss, Alumnæ Office, Connecticut College.

ENGAGED—Hazel Converse to George Laun of Waterbury.

BORN—Peter Hilton, fourth child of Carl and Ava Mulholland Hilton.

Lieutenant-Commander Hilton has been transferred recently to shore duty at Fort Trumbull, New London, where he is second in command. For the past three years he has been on the *Northland*, Coast Guard boat which goes to Point Barrow every year for a seven-month trip. Although Ava is glad to be in the East for a while, she heaves many a regretful and understandable sigh for California.

Emily Mehaffey Lowe and her husband Jack are traveling in Europe and report that "Switzerland is cool and restful after a brief trip into Italy, where there is heat produced by more than weather. We spent three weeks in Germany—most interesting—no hits, no runs, no errors. At least we are here to talk about it."

Catherine Hardwick Latimer reports that she has gone into the insurance business in Lake Charles, La.

Gladys Westerman Greene and her family have moved from Pittsburgh to 149 Mount Joy Pl., New Rochelle.

1925

CORRESPONDENT: Margery Field Shaw, 4 Brewster Ave., Easthampton, Mass.

Please write a few lines about yourself on a postcard and send it to me. It will only cost you a cent and it will keep me from losing my job. If you don't write I'll have to invent something exciting about you or else talk about myself. This time I have to brag a little as I am about to achieve one of my life-long ambitions—that of being leading lady in a grand play. In February—if I don't die of excitement beforehand—I'm to play the lead in Smiling Through.

1926

CORRESPONDENT: Rosamond Beebe, 32 Bank St., New York City.

1927

CORRESPONDENT: Lois Bridge Ellis, 159 Clearfield Rd., Wethersfield, Conn.

BORN—To Miriam Addis Wooding, a son, Benjamin Edward, on Sept. 30.

To Margaret Battles Barber, a son, Thomas Alden, on Oct. 23.

To Lyda Chatfield Sudduth, her second

son, John Chatfield, on Nov. 15.

Lib Fowler Coxe returned from St. Vincents Isle, with her husband and family, in June. They are now living in Cotuit, Mass., but plan to go to California for several months in the spring. Her husband's first book, *Murder With Pictures*, published by Knopf, came out in November.

Rosemary Condon, ex '27, is living at home in Waterbury, and teaching piano. She is also studying at the Hartt School of Music

in Hartford.

Grace Trappan has a new position in the Portland (Maine) Library.

1928

CORRESPONDENT: Dorothy Davenport Voorhees, Alpine Dr., Brighton Station, Rochester, N.Y.

MARRIED-Eleanor Taylor to Philip Wil-

liam Hussey on Sept. 14.

Lucia Gay to Darnall Burks of San Antonio on Oct. 18. Louisa Gay was maid of honor.

BORN—To Ruth Shultis Wurth, a daughter, Marcia.

To Betty Gordon Van Law, a daughter, Cynthia, on Dec. 28.

To Marguerite Reiman Roberts, a second

son, Philip, on Aug. 6.

The Class of 1928 extends deepest sympathy to Prudence Drake whose mother passed away on New Year's Day.

Betty Gordon Van Law came home from Peru for the birth of her daughter and will probably stay until some time in February.

Hilda Van Horn Rickenbaugh lives in Wellesley now with her husband and child.

Edith Cloyes MacIlwaine lives in Haverhill, Mass.

Miss Sherer, honorary class member, is with Macy's in connection with the training department in the world of color and design.

Jane Hall is still in Hartford at the School for the Blind. I understand that she is doing tutoring on the side.

1929

CORRESPONDENT: Winifred Link Stewart, The Embassy, 555 Ocean Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y.

MARRIED—Dorothy Thayer to Herbert Frye White, on Dec. 7, at Attleboro, Mass.; address, 3 Pleasant St., Topsham, Me. BORN—To Mary Walsh Gamache, a

Born—To Mary Walsh Gamache, a daughter, Anne, on May 13. A letter from Mary in the fall said that the three of them had just returned to Pinehurst from their annual two months' trip north.

To Gertrude Sizkin Cohn, a daughter, Lou Ann, on Oct. 23. In addition to caring for her little daughter, Gertrude has been trying to be a super-saleswoman in her husband's latest electrical shop.

Kate Aikens VanMeter spent a glorious month this fall in Jamaica with her husband,

Louis

Amelia Green Fleming has a new address,

3534 84th St., Jackson Heights, N.Y.

Catharine Greer has also moved; address, 319 E. 50th St., New York City. She told me bits of her most interesting summer vacation spent in part with Eleanor Fahey in Geneva, Switzerland. "Chili" had been sent over by the International Labor Office. Some of the more humorous moments of the journey took place on German soil when divers means were employed to order a meal without knowing the native language.

Frankie Tillinghast Selko and her husband were in Oklahoma last winter for a threemonth period working on a state survey for

the Brookings Institute.

In October on the eve of leaving for the hospital for an appendectomy, I heard from Marg Anderson Pielage. She wrote enthusiastically of her new job as supervisor of technical personnel of the Emergency Relief Administration in Essex Co., N.J.

Elizabeth Riley sent greetings from Maine this fall, and the new address of Dot Myers Sweet, who, with her husband, is at Beloit

College, Beloit, Wis.

Mary Scattergood Norris is back in Philadelphia living at 1530 Spruce St. Her doctor husband, Bob, is doing full-time hospital work at Pennsylvania Hospital, while Scat is continuing with her work in "orthoptics," which is straightening cross-eyes by means of exercise. Occasionally she runs into Mary Slayter who lives quite near and still has her good job with Children's Aid.

Dot Adams Peabody has moved again, and this time it is back to Norwalk, Conn.,

at 15 Cannon St.

Muriel Kendrick is head of the English department in the high school in Littleton, N.H., and in the midst of coaching her seniors in *Little Women*, getting out the fall number of the school paper, etc.; address, 23 Church St.

1930

CORRESPONDENT: Jane Murphy, 89 West St., Danbury, Conn.

ENGAGED—Frances Brooks to Dr. Frank Pray Foster, a physician at the Mayo Clinic. BORN—To Gwendolyn Thomen Sherman, a daughter, Sally, Dec. 10.

Ruth Barry Hildebrandt and family are now living near the Shermans in Evanston.

Jean Burroughs Kohr and husband have

moved to Chicago.

Allison Durkee Tyler and family are living in Hawaii. She writes, "We love it here. We go for picnics, swims, and boat rides and of course do a little work in between. I teach kindergarten for one thing." Her address is 27th Infantry, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Dorothy Feltner Davis writes of a recent trip that she and her husband took to Mexico. She admits one bull fight, "but after the third bull met his gory death, I edged out of sight and sound of the rest." She writes that Bar-bara Tracy Coogan '27 and her husband were their guests at Christmas. She says that "fireworks at Christmas are still the aspect of Noel least appreciated by any of us socalled 'Yankees.'" She describes a Forum meeting at her house with Lloyd Douglas, author of The Magnificent Obsession as the guest. There were evidently silent moments because she says, "I bethought myself of those green and sometimes avid freshmen who inserted telling questions when campus speakers stayed at our Forum meetings in Knowlton."

1931

CORRESPONDENT: Caroline B. Rice, 129 E. 82nd St., New York City.

ENGAGED—Katherine W. Lowe to Fritz Streiferd of Braintree, Mass.

Harriet Hickok, ex-'31, to Rodney C. Hardy.

MARRIED—Muriel Bristol to B. Franklyn Bulkley on Dec. 21; address, Mill Hill Rd., Southport, Conn.

Evelyn Whittemore to Foster G. Woods

on Nov. 2.

BORN—To Edith Schneider MacGlashan, a daughter, Carol, last fall. Edie's address is now 401 Sigourney St., Hartford, Conn.

Caroline Bradley Wallace has a daughter, Marguerite, born Sept. 29, and not a son, as was reported in the last issue. The Wallaces are moving to Springfield, Mass., in March.

And now we know to whom Harriett Bahney is engaged. He is Kenneth T. Craycroft of Fresno, Calif., University of California '25. Bonnie spent Christmas in Florida with her family.

Kay Noonan reports seeing Peggy Marvin ex-'31 in Pittsfield. Peggy is teaching art at

Miss Hall's school there.

Anne Ebsen goes to work in the Empire State Building. She has a secretarial job with the du Pont de Nemours Co.

Polly Deweese of 11 Everett St., Cambridge, Mass., writes she is doing social

work.

Jeanette Greenough ex-'31 is chairman of the speech department in the Rockville Center, L.I., public schools. She does speech correction work of all kinds in five elementary schools and two high schools.

Jo Lincoln Morris and her husband have sailed for South America. They expect to be in Buenos Aires part of the time and will be

gone until late in March.

Edna Martin is secretary to the comptroller

of New York Hospital.

Lorna McGuire is an instructor in English at Barnard. She is living at The Barbizon, Lexington Ave. at 63d St., New York City.

Elizabeth Rieley Armington is spending a winter vacation in Florida.

Elizabeth Appenzellar and Dorcas Freeman spent two weeks in Bermuda during the holidays.

Betty Butler Shamel is now living at 1313

Garven Ave., Wanamassa, N.J.

Margaret Fitzmaurice is teaching English in Wilby High School, Waterbury.

Dorothy Johnson is doing volunteer social

work in Chicago.

Al Kindler has asked me to tell you the results of our recent election. Jane Moore is president, Betty Butler Shamel is vice-president, Bea Whitcomb is secretary, Edna Martin, treasurer, and yours truly, your correspondent, who hopes to get a line from you

occasionally, when you've bits of news concerning '31-ites.

1932

CORRESPONDENT: Gertrude S. Butler, 7105 Greene St., Philadelphia.

ENGAGED—Margaret Leland to James C. Weir of Cleveland.

Ruth Caswell to Edward Clapp, pastor of Congregational Church in New Ipswich, N.H.

Married—Mary F. Scott to Taliaferro Cox of Birney, Mont., on Nov. 10.

Joyce Burt says that because she had a grand time abroad during the summer, she is now "pounding the streets looking for work."

Kay Cooksey writes that she had to give up her position in the Yorktown Museum because the funds ran out. But now she has a better one in Washington as senior scientific illustrator for the Bureau of Reclamation. She also has a spaniel named Mona Lisa and an attic studio.

Isabelle Bartlett Hogue and her husband live at 24 Pine St., Merrick, L.I. Sis is a social case worker and goes into New York City one evening a week to perfect her tech-

nique.

Faith Conklin Hackstaff writes, "We have just returned from six months in St. Louis and expect to sail about January 15 for two or three years abroad on business. We will be in Hamburg, Germany, for six or eight months, then on to France and perhaps Italy and England. This being in the oil business keeps you busy moving around."

Patricia Hawkins ex-'32 is still teaching

second grade and loving it.

Marian Kendrick spent an exciting Christ-

mas week in New York.

Isabelle Ewing Knecht has moved for the fifth time in three years of married life. She still lives in Warren, Ohio, but now at 176 Trumbell Pkwy.

1933

CORRESPONDENT: Esther White, 17 Fernwood Rd., Summit, N.J.

ENGAGED—Alice Read to Madison Jordan Manchester of Providence.

Married—Alice Gordon to Abram Adolf Washton on Dec. 29.

Leona Hartstone to Frank Lowe on Jan. 11. Katherine Lowe '31 was Leona's only attendant. Marjorie Miller to Benjamin A. Weimer on Nov. 16.

1934

CORRESPONDENT: Ann D. Crocker, Stone-leigh College, Rye Beach, N.H.

ENGAGED—Alice Galante to Carmine S. Greco of New Britain, Conn.

Married—Ethel Russ to Marshall Gans

on Nov. 3.

Sylvia Brown to David Gross on Nov. 3. Ruth Lister to John K. Davis on Nov. 30. Mary McCrosky to Robert La Prelle of Houston, Tex.

Emily Benedict to Albert William Halver-

son

Studying: Dotty Bard is studying a second year for an M.A. in psychology, and is doing psychometric work at the Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago; Serena Blodgett is at business school in Hartford (address: 5 West Hill Drive, W. Hartford); Muriel Dibble is studying; Cait Lewis is at the Lowthorpe School of Landscape Architecture, Groton, Mass.; Edith Richman is studying for Master of Social Science at the Smith School of Psychiatric Social Work; Edith Stockman spent last summer at the University of Munich, Germany; Anne Shewell is at the Yale School of Nursing (address: 62 Park St., New Haven), and Ginny Case is in her second year there (address: 50 Congress Avenue, New Haven); Jean Stanley is still studying for her M.A. (address: Lowell Apts, 1932 E. 97th St., Cleveland, Ohio).

Teaching: Babe Baylis is teaching Art and Introduction to Business at the Owen D. Young Central School, Van Hornesville, N.Y.; Mary Lou Ellis is secretary and instructor in Spanish at the Ellis School, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Elizabeth Keep is teaching in a private school in Flushing, L.I., and working for her M.A.; Lilla Linkletter is a teacher at the Chapman Technical High School in New London; Mary Marsh Baxter is teaching Spanish at the Mt. Hermon School; Jane Petrequin is teaching in the Nursery School at Western Reserve University, and received her M.A. in June; Fannie Rasin is teaching English and General Science in New London; Peg Worthy is teaching third grade pupils; Emily Daggy is teaching French at

Southern Pines, N.C.

Social Work: Red Curnow is a case worker in the Division of Old Age Relief; Bernice Griswold is doing FERA work; Mary Lou Hays is doing Junior League work in a hos-

pital; Betty Hershey is in Junior League work; Hinie is a social worker.

Miscellaneous: Betty Archer is in the matched accessory department, and Mary Lib McNulty in the Service Shopping department, at Marshall Field and Company, Chicago; Lillian Bacon is a volunteer worker in nutrition for the Department of Health and the American Red Cross in New York-address: 35-26 79th St., Jackson Hgts., L.I.; Benny Benedict is bookkeeper in the Mutual Life Insurance Company, Albany; Jean Berger is volunteer technician in the Boston City Hospital; Grace Cavin has a gift shop in Gloucester, Mass.; Andy Crocker is registrar of Stoneleigh College, Rye, New Hampshire; Mildred Doherty is secretary in the law office of Waller, Gallup & Anderson, New London; Jane Baldauf Eager is secretary and translator of French and Spanish letters at the Capewell Horse Nail Company; Beth Flanders is studying law at night; Alice Galante and Ruth Wheeler are Home Lighting Advisers for the Connecticut Light and Power Company; Elsie Hoffman is in an insurance office; Elma Kennel is working in a flower shop, and studying illumination; Helen Lavietes is secretary to the Merchandise Manager in Shortenberg's Department

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1935

CORRESPONDENT: Sylvia Dworski, 315 Ferry St., New Haven, Conn.

ENGAGED—Betty Osterman to George Humphrey Bunyan of San Francisco, Calif., Wesleyan '34. Betty traveled last summer through Central America, after which she spent two months in California.

Mary Adeline Stover to Rodney A. Curtiss, third-year law student at Yale. Mary is now taking a secretarial course in Staten Island.

MARRIED—Constance Turner to Richard F. Rea, ensign in the Coast Guard service, on Oct. 5. Address: 4327 6th St., St. Petersburg, Fla.

Gloria Belsky to David N. Klarfeld of Boston on Nov. 17. Rhoda Perlo was her maid of honor.

Janice Virginia Richards to Sterling Jessup Hiles, Williams '31, on Dec. 25. Address: 35 Richmond Ave., Buffalo, N.Y.

Betty Bronk is the investigator in the Children's Court in Washington County, N.Y.

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Ceil Silverman is receptionist in the Connecticut State Employment Office in Norwich.

Virginia Diehl is a secretary in an insurance office.

Ginny King is an accountant in a real estate firm in New York City, Horace S. Ely & Co.

Becky Harris is doing social work with the Emergency Relief Commission in Willimantic

Harriet Backus is working as secretary to the purchasing agent in the Hartford Empire Co., Hartford.

Lois Pond is teaching English, art, music, and physical education at The Gateway School, New Haven.

Janet Paulson has a secretarial position with Jackson & Curtis, investment brokers in New York City.

Adelaide Rochester is taking a secretarial course in the evening.

Marge Loeser is taking a business course. Marion Ferris is taking some secretarial courses at night and is also taking a course in "Home Hygiene," given by the Red Cross.

Ruth Fairfield is at Columbia Teachers College working for an M.A. in Nursery, Kindergarten, and First Grade Education.

Vera Warbasse is working for a Ph.D. in Bacteriology at Columbia Medical School.

Mary Goldwater is taking the course in Theater Arts at The Neighborhood Playhouse in New York City. She is continuing her work in the dance with Martha Graham.

Peg Baylis is student dietitian in the Mass. State Hospital in Boston.

Ruth Lambert is working with Dr. Abraham Myerson, the psychiatrist, at the research laboratory of the Boston State Hospital. She is also taking courses at B.U. and Radcliffe.

Roberta Chace is at Radcliffe.

Dorothy Krinsky is at the Yale School of Nursing.

Madlyn Hughes is assistant to Dr. Avery, director of the arboretum at C. C.

Barbara Stott and May Kaffenburgh are doing volunteer work with the Community Service Corporation of Boston. They are also taking extension courses at Harvard.

Ruth Fordyce is doing research work in American History for Mr. George I. Haight of Chicago.

Mabel Spencer is taking a secretarial course at McKeown's Secretarial School, New Haven.

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