

TELLURIDE NEWS LETTER

PUBLICATION OF TELLURIDE ASSOCIATION

Vol. XXVI, No. 5

Ithaca, New York

June, 1940

CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS

Of seventy-one Association members thirty-nine are certain of attending Convention, twenty-five are unable to come, and seven are uncertain. Of the thirty-nine who plan definitely to be at Deep Springs all but twelve have arranged for rides. Nine of these twelve plan to go by train or plane and the other three are looking for space with someone driving.

According to information given the Arrangements Committee the following rides will probably be available: one passenger with Vincent Cochrane from Ithaca, one passenger with Paul Todd leaving Kalamazoo June 11 and going via Chicago (this group plans to camp out), two passengers with J. W. Olmsted from Los Angeles, three passengers with R. LaT. Cavanaugh from San Francisco, four passengers with H. W. Davy from Salt Lake City, four passengers with H. V. Hoyt from Provo. Besides these there may be room with James Tucker from Ithaca or with R. W. Anderson from Detroit.

Anyone who would like to make all or part of the trip by car and has not yet arranged a ride should write as soon as possible to one or more of the drivers listed and make plans directly.

Convention will begin at six p. m. on Tuesday, June 18, and anyone planning to arrive early should notify Deep Springs of the time of arrival. If you will need a ride from Big Pine to Deep Springs, write ahead to the Arrangements Committee at Deep Springs stating the arrival time at Big Pine.

At the May 18-19 meeting of the Central Advisory Committee it was recommended that an automobile allowance of 3 cents per mile per car be made, that the maximum expense per individual for traveling be the special round-trip tourist railroad fare, and that should any member bring his family to Convention the care of this family should be the responsibility of the member in question alone.

Bus schedules between Big Pine, Reno, and Los Angeles are:

(Inland Stages, May 18, 1940)

Read Down: (daily)		Read up:	
Los Angeles			
8:00 a.m.	9:00 p.m.	Lv. Ar. 2:30 p.m.	1:00 a.m.
Mojave			
12:10 p.m.	1:35 a.m.	10:47 a.m.	9:10 p.m.
Big Pine			
4:14 p.m.	5:46 a.m.	6:57 a.m.	5:20 p.m.
Reno			
11:15 p.m.	12:50 p.m.	Ar. Lv. 12:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

The round-trip fare from Reno to Deep Springs is \$9.25, but the fare from Los Angeles is somewhat higher.

Dr. W. C. Layton will be Assistant Resident in Pediatrics at the University of California Hospital at San Francisco in 1940-41.

A CHALLENGE TO THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS ALUMNI

By J. R. Withrow, Jr.

The 1939 Convention of the Association posed a challenge to the members and alumni of the Association and of Deep Springs. The Convention approved the idea of a new faculty cottage for Deep Springs and appropriated \$3,000. to assist in the financing of this project on condition that the other necessary funds were contributed by interested persons. The total cost of the cottage was to be around \$10,000., thus leaving \$7,000. to be raised among members and alumni. The 1939 Convention recommended to the 1940 Convention that if the full \$7,000. could not be raised among the interested individuals that \$2,000. further be appropriated by the Association if \$5,000. or more had been raised.

The Association, in conjunction with the Trustees of Deep Springs, has been trying to raise this \$7,000. from the members and alumni of the two institutions. To date only \$3,500. has been received in both cash and pledges. Undoubtedly poor business conditions in many fields, and uncertainties due to the European situation have contributed to this rather disappointing result. World and business conditions, however, can hardly be held to be responsible for the fact that less than 130 persons have contributed. The contributors include most of the 70 odd members of the Association and some 15 or 20 persons who were never members of either the Association or Deep Springs. This showing of less than 130 contributors is doubly disappointing when one recalls that at one time the Association had 125 active members. The Association is just as anxious to have everyone contribute something as it is to raise the \$7,000.

For the small number of contributors \$3,500. might be considered an acceptable showing, since the average contribution is about \$30., but here again a small group is carrying the burden. So far a very large part of the money collected has come from the individual contributions of Trustees of Deep Springs and from a small group of Association members and younger alumni. Thus, less than 20% of the contributors have given more than 70% of total received.

Both Telluride and Deep Springs are faced with the problem of eventually seeking substantial increases to their endowments. Most of such funds will have to come from sources outside our own groups. In our past contacts with such sources we have invariably been asked what efforts have been made within our own group and what were the results. We should, therefore, make every effort to raise this money both because Deep Springs needs a faculty cottage and because it will assist both the Association and Deep Springs in future efforts to raise funds.

(Continued on Page 4)

TELLURIDE NEWS LETTER

Published by
TELLURIDE ASSOCIATION
ITHACA, NEW YORK

Editor WILLIAM J. BOWMAN
Associate Editors ROLAND BALL AND NED BEDELL
Managing Editor PAUL TODD

THOMAS S. DUNHAM MEMORIAL AWARD

Vincent Cochrane was elected by Branch members to be the first recipient of the Thomas S. Dunham Memorial Award. This memorial was set up by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dunham in memory of their son Tom, who was a member of Telluride Association and a resident of Cornell Branch from 1936 to 1939. It was the Dunham's wish that the award should go "to the member of Cornell Branch, regardless of his membership or non-membership in the Association, whose contribution to the work of the Branch has been most distinctive and valuable, as determined by a vote by all members of Cornell Branch."

Cochrane came to the House as a guest for the academic year 1937-38, and was elected to membership in Telluride Association at the 1938 Convention. He graduated from the College of Agriculture last year and is now doing graduate work in the department of plant pathology. He is president of Cornell Branch.

UNIVERSITY ADOPTS MEDICAL PLAN

The efforts of the 1937-38 Public Affairs Committee for the improvement of the Cornell health service have finally borne fruit. Two years ago the committee conducted an investigation of the local situation, ascertained student opinion through questionnaires, surveyed the medical service of other universities, and submitted its findings with recommendations to the Board of Trustees. Former members of the committee still in Ithaca consulted during the year with a Trustee committee, which has expressed high appreciation for the Telluride report. At its recent meeting the Board of Trustees adopted a plan for improved medical care which embodies most of the immediate recommendations made by the House committee. Among other features the new plan provides for resident physicians at the Infirmary, a staff of attending specialists on call, improvement in the study and recording of illnesses, and evening consultation hours at the Medical Office. An article in the Alumni News of May 16, 1940, expresses the Trustees' indebtedness to Cornell Branch for the nucleus of the new plan.

The following attended a Telluride dinner-meeting at the Cornell Club in New York City on the evening of 28 May: S. N. Whitney, L. N. Crichton, E. L. G. Zalinski, Bruce Simmons, Sheldon Calloway, A. E. Lowe, E. D. Pugsley, W. B. Putnam, Robert Dann, J. A. Austin, I. L. Scott, G. A. Worn, E. C. Bonnett, P. O. Reyneau, E. M. Johnson, J. R. Withrow, and W. C. Layton.

Member J. S. deBeers has been awarded a research training fellowship by The Brookings Institution for the academic year 1940-41. The fellowship is to enable de Beers to study the topic, *British War-Time Import Control*. He will carry out this research in Washington, where the Brookings Institution is located.

BRANCH ENTERTAINMENT

The social season at the Branch culminated for the year on the week-end of May 23-26 with the holding of the annual houseparty. Festivities got off to a flying start on Thursday evening with the second Telluride formal dance of the year. Nearly three hundred friends of the Branch were entertained. The following evening found the Telluride Beau Brummells and their beautiful guests waltzing and jitter-bugging to the strains of Glen Miller at the University Navy Day Ball at Barton Hall. The climax of the party was an extravagant picnic prepared by Olof Swenson at the Buttermilk Falls state park on Saturday. Eighteen couples and one stag participated, in addition to the chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Arlt, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Burfoot. T. C. Koo and Jim Tucker were in charge of the houseparty arrangements.

Other recent guests of the House include: Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Aird, Alumnus Paul Reyneau, Walter Cerf, applicants Richard Frost and Charles Ennis, Jose Encinas del Pando of Lima, Peru, Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Horsfall and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wellman.

MEETING OF THE CENTRAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Central Advisory Committee met at Cornell Branch on the week-end of May 18th. Besides those members living in Ithaca and the Custodians, the following were in attendance: Bailey, Dimmler, Rarig, Sabine, Sheridan, Huffcut, and Aird. Alumnus Parker Monroe was present on Saturday to act as advisor to the Finance Committee and the Custodians.

Much pre-convention business was finished. The Committee recommended that the Convention Finance Committee prepare a panel of names from which a group may be selected to act as financial advisers to the Association. It was understood that these men should have had considerable financial experience and have been affiliated with Telluride Association. The Finance Committee was also asked to be prepared to submit a desirable long-term financial policy for handling the Association's investments. It was the sentiment of the Advisory Committee that our investments have been made without a long-range purpose in the past. It was also recommended that the Finance Committee review the situation with regard to the Association's representative on the Board of Directors of Telluride Power Company.

The Chairman of the Endowment Committee summarized the Committee's recent activities and the progress of the George Lincoln Burr Fund, and the Deep Springs Cottage Fund.

It was suggested by the Central Advisory Committee that three cents a mile per car be allowed in traveling to and from the west, and that in no case would the allowance be greater than that of the special round-trip tourist fare. It was further suggested that any members bringing their families should be responsible for them.

The Decorations Committee reported on the prospect of refinishing the dining room of the House. It was estimated that it could be sound-proofed and redecorated for between \$1500 and \$2000. It pointed out that the floor under the 'dutch' had rotted badly and would soon have to be replaced.

DEEP SPRINGS NOTES

By Herbert Gustafson

With the school year practically over, the focus of attention at Deep Springs is centered upon the prospects for next year. To date five men have been chosen to replace the graduating group of that number. Additional men will be selected if further vacancies in the Student Body are created by action of the Board of Trustees. The new men are: Donald Meyer, Lincoln, Nebraska; Roy Pierce, New York City; Hazleton Mirkil, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Waldo Rall, Washington, D. C.; Daniel Torrance, Seattle, Washington. The present faculty will remain next year, and Mr. Joachim Remak will be added to the staff in the field of foreign languages. Mr. Remak is a refugee from Germany in this country. He is quite young, and it is possible that along with his teaching he will be taking some courses.

Our plans are almost complete for holding the 1940 Telluride Convention at Deep Springs. An arrangement has been entered into with a Los Angeles concern to rent us cots, mattresses, sheets, blankets, boarding and kitchen equipment. A temporary extension is being built onto our boarding house so that all the guests can be seated. Cots will be placed in the class-room, and dormitory rooms of the main buildings and also in the green shed. Shower facilities will be installed in the green shed, and the present basement shower room in the main building will be enlarged. Olof Swenson has agreed to take charge of the kitchen during the period, and will be able to handle the job with the help of our staff. The plans are made to house and feed seventy-five over and above our own group at Deep Springs.

A large part of the Student Body is planning to stay for the Convention. For a week after the closing of school, June 1, the students will remain at the ranch to make final preparations for the Association meeting. Except for this, the custom of having students work at the ranch during the summer has been discontinued this year.

Plans for the new faculty cottage are now complete, and we hope to begin construction shortly after Convention adjourns. The specifications are for a two apartment house, with each apartment having a living room, study, bath, kitchen, and two bedrooms. We are planning to use as much as possible of the old Cadman cottage foundation for the foundation of the new house. We hope to have the cottage ready for occupancy by next fall. The Student Body appreciates the loyalty of its alumni and friends in supporting this worthy project.

The extensive gardening undertaken this spring is showing very satisfactory results. The grounds around the buildings look extremely well. It is still a problem to keep the range cattle off the grounds, and even with the installation of a cattle guard, several drift in off the range. Apparently Deep Springs cattle are so used to rough country that they find a cattle guard only a minor obstacle. Our herd now numbers around 450 head, all of which are pastured in the valley and on the Inyo National Forest summer range. The mild winter has left the cattle in excellent condition. Recently an independent cattle man from Owens Valley inspected our herd and reported very favorably on its care and condition. During the first week of June the range cattle will be rounded up, driven to the ranch where the calves will be branded, and then the whole herd will be moved

up into the mountains. Four or five of the students will help in this work.

The prospects for the crops this summer depend to a great extent upon the water supply. So far Wyman and Crooked Creeks have yielded sufficient water, but there is a great deal of concern about how long the supply will continue. The alfalfa crop looks good at the present time, and cutting will start around the first of June. This will be three weeks earlier than last year. For efficiency and economy in harvesting the hay, a new hay loader and side delivery rake have been purchased.

Since the installation of the heating and water filtering systems, there have been no revisions made of maps of the pipe systems. Dave Spalding, who shows skill with the transit and drawing board, has corrected this condition by surveying the pipe system very thoroughly and bringing the maps up to date. He also has been drawing plans for the new cottage, as well as mapping the arrangements for a revision of the present post office and the changes in the shower room.

Bob Gorrell has increased his immediate family by the addition of a pup—praenomen, "Sweeney"; origin, known but not disclosed; and pedigree, questionable.

To close the school year the Student Body is having its annual picnic this year at Chiatovich Creek at the northern end of Fish Lake Valley. The date set is Saturday afternoon, June 1.

The spring meeting of the Board of Trustees was held during the week-end of May 24-26, with all the members of the Board present. Mr. Robley Williams, president of Telluride Association, represented that group at the meeting.

ADDRESS CHANGES

T. J. McFadden, Bowen Bldg., Washington, D. C.
Robert H. Dann, 54 Walbrook Road, Scarsdale, N. Y.
R. R. Irvine, Sr., 1008 South 13 East, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Harold D. Smith, 726 Bond Avenue, Barnesville, Ohio.
Hugh Pastoriza, care Coffin & Burr, Inc., Pine St., New York City.

Recently, the Branch received a gift of over twenty books from Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dunham, inscribed "In the memory of Thomas S. Dunham." The titles are chiefly modern novels, biography, and foreign travel, and they make a very welcome addition to the house library.

With more than the usual amount of gaiety and exquisite poesy, the annual Public Speaking Banquet was held on May 29. Prof. Victor Lange exhibited unwonted wit and charm as toastmaster for the evening, and other Branch members performed with uncommon versatility. The guest list included all former Branch faculty and student guests living in Ithaca.

By action of the Cornell Branch, the Pemberton Cup Award for Public Speaking for the year, 1939-40, has been conferred upon Roland C. Ball. Ball graduated from Swarthmore College a year ago, and this year has been studying in the Cornell English Department. Ball's name will be the 26th to be engraved upon the Pemberton Cup since its donation by Prof. E. J. Wurts in 1912.

A CHALLENGE TO THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS ALUMNI

(Continued from Page 1)

The Association has done so much for most of us that the members and alumni of the Association should have raised the \$7,000. almost without the necessity of a concerted drive. A few weeks ago in an effort to raise the remaining money a few contributors were asked to double their contributions. The results were so gratifying that we are encouraged to ask the rest of the contributors to do the same.

This campaign can still come to a successful conclusion if everyone who hasn't contributed will contribute and if those who have already given will re-examine what he has already contributed and see if he can't add to his previous contribution. In order to make as good a showing as possible by the time the 1940 Convention convenes, please mail in at once your contribution or pledge to the Endowment Committee at 217 West Avenue, Ithaca, New York.

ACTIVITIES OF BRANCH MEMBERS

Telluriders nearly made a clean sweep of the elections for next year's officers of the Cornell Debate Association. Ed Cronk was elected president, Ned Bedell elected secretary, and Jim Tucker elected debate manager.

Ed Cronk was elected to the Willard Straight Board of Managers for a two year term. He was reelected business manager of the *Areopagus*. Jim Tucker and Bruce Johnston have been elected to the editorial board of that magazine.

Johnston and Bedell represented Cornell at the Cornell-Dartmouth-Pennsylvania conference on "Make Democracy Work" held at Philadelphia, May 10-13. Johnston was appointed co-chairman of the Willard Straight Forum Committee.

Ward Goodenough and Bob Sproull were elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Jim Moore, campaigning to keep America out of war as chairman of the Cornell Peace Committee, sent a wood and cardboard "peace tank" to the President with over a thousand names written on it. He has also spoken at several peace rallies.

Harvey Wellman was one of three speakers at an Ithaca Town Meeting on May 29. He was a marshall of the graduating class of the Law School.

Tim Henderson was elected to Quill and Dagger and to Scarab, two honorary societies. He gave the response for the initiates at the Scarab initiation banquet.

John Murray is a member of the peace group of the Public Affairs Committee of the Cornell United Religious work.

Several recordings have been made of Bruce Netschert's chimes playing. The records will be on the market soon.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark Lyon announce the birth of twin sons, Thomas Lyttleton and John Clark, on Sunday May 5.

Julius Frederick Brauner IV was born on April 17. His weight: 8 lbs. 5½ oz.

KOO

By Louis MacNeice*

East is East, the poet cried,
Not knowing that in Telluride
The ancient East has taken root
A seedling from the Absolute.
An oriental lotus flower
Among these cabbage plants of ours;
Immune from western ballyhoo—
Its scent is sweet, its name is Koo.
Its smile is suave, its ways are deep,
It does not feel the need of sleep;
Nothing can make it lose its legs—
Napoleon brandy, Manchu eggs.
Ambassadorial and bland,
It knows about propellers and
Camshafts and air resistance; O
God knows what it does not know.
It spreads around it on the air
A redolence of *savoir faire*
And who would not be glad to see
This exquisite Chinoiserie?
With master brain and master touch
It fashions model planes and such,
Conferring upon everything
The elegance of Sung and Ming.
A poet with a negro gal
Wrote a book called *Fleurs du Mal*,
But I hope I've proved that our
Koo is not that kind of flower.
No indeed, he is a bloom
Purer than you might presume;
And has already, I dare say,
Booked a place for Judgment Day,
While the rest of us—or some—
Cannot bank on Kingdom Come.
Occidentals as we are,
If and when we cross the bar,
God knows what we hope to meet;
But Koo will be with the élite,
Strolling up a grand parade
With lady angels all of jade,
There to meet, when time is done,
Confucius and Mr. Nunn.

*Read by MacNeice at Public Speaking Banquet.

Alumnus W. D. Whitney has joined the British army and is on the staff of the Scots Guards.

Alumnus LeMon Clark was married on April 10 to Mrs. Carl Taggart of Oklahoma City. Following the wedding the couple left on an extended trip to Mexico City.

Member Bob Aird writes that his sabbatical leave has proven very profitable. "I spent four months at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in neurophysiology with Dr. Bronk. The last two months have been devoted chiefly to an investigation of electro-encephalography in Boston."

Dr. Donald B. Read is Medical Director of Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co.