

# Telluride Newsletter

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## *TA President Reflects on Association's Raisons d'Etre*

Over the past several years, the Association has been characterized by a comfortable quiescence, stirred occasionally by an uneasy fear that it has grown complacent and a vague sense that it ought to be doing something more. At the same time, inflation and the poor performance of the securities markets have continued to limit the financial resources available to the Association for new programs. More seriously, these financial strictures have limited as well members' imaginations about possible new endeavors. Inadequacy of funds was among the major causes of Berkeley Branch's failure to thrive, and the Association itself has still to recover completely from the fiscal and psychological depression caused by the failure of its most recent major innovation. Telluride may well be strained financially to continue even the programs to which we are already committed; the operation of Cornell Branch and TASP and assisting Deep Springs at a crucial turning point. Some argue that Telluride should strive to do best what it is already doing and that we need not be always seeking after new endeavors to justify our existence. Whether this vision of the Association is sufficient to retain the serious energies of members much beyond the period of their stay at Cornell Branch or Deep Springs is open to question.

Nevertheless, Cornell Branch remains the Association's most important operation. Young people come to the Branch at a time of great ferment in their lives. Having separated from their homes and families, they must try to deal maturely with a bewildering number of difficult choices. Intellectual interests, the search for intimacy, meaningful involvement in the community, and future career plans all make their demands on the college student struggling to evolve a coherent identity and purpose in life. Telluride's most important question is how the Branch can best be a facilitating environment for this creative effort.

Incoming CBTA'ers move from their families into a group of peers whom individually they have not chosen. The student in College Town and even in the dorms may ignore or avoid any with whom he does not feel a quick kinship. The Branch member must come to terms with a wider range of people. Although contemporary student life leaves most students free to cultivate their own garden with no, few, or many friends, life at Cornell Branch does not permit the student to forget the constant claims of communal life. There are always seminars to be prepared for, TASP applications to read, accounts to be kept, or a furnace to be repaired, as well as the more constant claims of day-to-day life together. The Cornell Branch student must work hard to balance his desire to be his own person, intimate with a few friends, against his desire to be involved in the life of the group, often bearing heavy responsibilities. If friendship is the art of distance, the average Branch member sometimes seems required to be a virtuoso.

Having left home, the Branch member, for better or worse, does not enjoy the usual moratorium from responsibility which is the prerogative of most adolescents. Life in the Branch thus poses difficult questions of authority and locus of control. At

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## Reis, Baxter, Meltzer and Wepsic Alumni Weekend Panelists

A panel discussion on "The Biology of Mental Illness" will provide the focus for Alumni Weekend at Telluride House on the weekend of April 19-21, 1974. Four distinguished TA MDs have volunteered their time: Donald J. Reis, Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry and Director of the Laboratory of Neurobiology at Cornell University Medical College; James E. Baxter, Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Cornell University Medical College; Herbert Y. Meltzer, Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Chicago and the Illinois State Psychiatric Institute; and James G. Wepsic, Assistant in Neurosurgery at Massachusetts General Hospital and Instructor in Surgery, Harvard Medical School. It is anticipated that the topic (which was the first choice of both Housemembers and the ADSTA Council), the expertise of the speakers, and the appeal of an April weekend in Ithaca revisiting Cornell and meeting old friends will bring record numbers of TA/DS alumni to the gathering.

Chairmedic of the panel will be Donald J. Reis, TA54. He will first introduce Dr. Baxter, DS42, TA46, who will discuss aspects of the clinical problems of mental disease and the traditional viewpoints of their etiologies. Dr. Reis, who is interested in the neurophysiological and neurochemical organization of emotional behavior and is engaged primarily in basic research, will then review some fundamentals of the neuroanatomy and neurochemistry of emotions in order to provide background for Drs. Meltzer and Wepsic.

Dr. Meltzer, TA58, is in addition to the positions named above an editor of the Schizophrenia Bulletin of the National Institutes of Mental Health and a member of the American Psychiatric Association Task Force on Research Training, and has published about 50 articles on biological psychiatry and neuropsychopharmacology. He has suggested that a jazzy title for his talk might be "Madness and Molecules," but goes on to explain: "The general thrust of my remarks will be that there is strong evidence for a biochemical abnormality being a crucial component in the etiology of psychotic behavior. I will talk about current work into the biochemical and genetic factors in schizophrenia, mania and depression, and the resulting implications for treatment. I may also draw comparisons with drug-induced psychoses, particularly amphetamine-induced paranoia. My own research has involved the discovery of serum enzyme activity increases that are useful in the chemical diagnosis of psychosis, and the first identification of abnormal nerve cells in psychotics. Current treatment requires drugs or occasionally other forms of somatic therapy (shock and possibly surgery) and psychosocial retraining and support. Some preventive measures are possible. Current developments designed to protect the civil rights of patients may prevent further major research advances."

Dr. Wepsic, TA57, has chosen to speak on "A Balanced Look at Behavior Modifying Surgery on the Central Nervous System," a form of treatment somewhat sensationally referred to as "psychosurgery." Wepsic comments, "I have never done any of these operations myself, but have been very close to the surgeon involved in doing them as well as the psychiatrists who

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# AGENDA

Alumni Weekend April 19-21, 1974  
Cornell Branch, Telluride Association

Friday, April 19, 8:00 p.m.	Slides and Films of Deep Springs
Saturday, April 20, 10:00 a.m.	Group trip to Johnson Museum of Art
12:30 p.m.	Luncheon
2:00 p.m.	Panel Discussion, "The Biology of Mental Illness"
6:15 p.m.	Sherry
7:00 p.m.	Reunion banquet
Sunday, April 21, 10:00 a.m.	ADSTA Council meeting

## ALUMNI WEEKEND

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have criticized them, so I am in a somewhat unique position to evaluate the responses of both sides. In many cases, the usefulness of certain surgical procedures which at first glance sound 1984-ish are considerable for both the patient and his family. On the other hand, the rights of the patient as a human being in approaching this problem have at times been treated lightly. I will review some of the neurophysiologic bases for these procedures and the types of results that have occurred in this small corner of neurosurgery."

Among Dr. Wepsic's chief interests as a neurosurgeon has been pain control, which recently has included research into acupuncture. He is the author of numerous articles with titles like: "Percutaneous radio-frequency electro-coagulation of Trigeminal Ganglion and rootlets for differential destruction of pain fibers."

The panel itself will convene at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 20th, immediately following a reunion buffet luncheon. For alumni able to get to Ithaca on the evening of Friday the 19th, an informal get-together has been planned which should appeal to all Deep Springs alumni, boosters and photography buffs. A slide projector and a 16 mm. movie projector will be provided for anyone with slides or films of the college, of any vintage. The show will be continuous from 8 p.m. (if alumni bring enough to keep it going), and the House will provide an open bar to warm the welcome.

Saturday morning will offer a repeat of last year's visit to the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, with some important differences: this time the artworks themselves may be viewed; it should not be necessary to break into the building to do so; nor will a tour guide be necessary. The museum is open from 10 to 5 on Saturdays and should not be missed. Those who choose to visit it in an alumni group will assemble at the House at 10:30 a.m.

## TELLURIDE NEWSLETTER

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A sherry reception at 6:15 Saturday evening and a reunion banquet at 7 will cap the weekend's festivities. For later evening entertainment, alumni can choose between a dance concert at Helen Newman Auditorium by students in the Cornell dance program; two films from the Cornell Cinema series; and traditional conviviality at local gathering places.

A continental breakfast will be available on Sunday morning in the House diningroom. Interested alumni may also participate in the ADSTA Council meeting at 10:30, to be chaired by the newly named president Erik Pell.

An invitation will be mailed to alumni from Chicago east and the District of Columbia north in late March, but is of course extended to all the TA/DS faithful. A block of rooms will be reserved at the Statler and the Hillside Inn for those who would like accommodations to be arranged. Reservations are requested for the Saturday luncheon and banquet as well. A reservation form is printed on the last page of this Newsletter.

Housemembers, the ADSTA Council, and the four participating panelists look forward to seeing a large gathering of alumni and friends in Ithaca on April 19th and 20th.

## TA PRESIDENT

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Deep Springs, the students' mutual interdependence and the need for cooperative effort is clear in the most concrete and unarguable terms. If the students do not tend the crops or work the ranch, no one else will. By contrast, the incoming CBTAer has a much dimmer notion of having undertaken any commitments at all or having chosen anything more than an interesting place to live. The nature of his responsibilities are less starkly apparent and hence may seem arbitrarily imposed from without rather than arising out of the necessities of life together. Where the individual student stands with respect to issues of authority and control in his own inner life may also powerfully color how he sees the demands of the Branch. A few, struggling vigorously for independence, see the claims of Branch life as restrictive or intrusive and feel compelled to resist them. Others, more used to quick identification with authority, may wield the power they acquire in the House too harshly or burden themselves excessively with Branch responsibilities at the cost of involvements elsewhere. Either a compulsive rejection of perceived authority or a too-ready embrace of it can prevent the student from developing a true sense of autonomy.

The past decade has seen an unusual number of intellectually brilliant Branches. The most impressive have been those in which intellectual excitement was accompanied by an enriched sense of communal and personal growth. To support and nurture such Branches is indeed a difficult and worthy goal for the Association. Whether it can be the Association's sole *raison d'être* is a question which members must seriously consider.

—Bob King

## '74 TASP Selection Under Way

The usual last minute deluge of TASP applications has been received, and Cornell Branchmembers are now heroically engaged in the process of selecting interviewees from the approximately 875 applications received. Interviewing will as usual be the chief Association activity of March and early April, with TASP board meeting to choose the 48 top applicants on April 13th. The Cremona Program and two Cornell Programs will begin on June 30th and end on August 9th. Below are descriptions of these programs taken from the 1974 TASP brochure:

### Cornell I—Poetry and Wisdom in Shakespeare

No modern poet has been so widely read over so many centuries as Shakespeare. The philosophies of his time are no longer accepted, religion has since undergone vast changes, and novel forms of government and technology have transformed human life—but Shakespeare's poetry lives on undisturbed. If poetry is simply the poet's emotional reaction to his own experiences and environment, as we are taught, how can Shakespeare seem relevant to all ages? Hardly a significant human type goes unportrayed in his plays, and his capacity for evoking the crucial moments of human life remains unparalleled. But is there not more in his poetry than even this? What kinds of themes does he deal with? What is the comprehensive thought or vision that gives unity to these themes? What are the principles of his perennial wisdom?

The Cornell I program, directed by Professors Ernest Fortin and David Lowenthal of Boston College, will study six to eight Shakespearean plays in an effort to discover their underlying meaning and coherence. Three of these—*Coriolanus*, *Julius Caesar*, and *Antony and Cleopatra*—portray the Roman Republic and its breakdown. Two others—*Merchant of Venice* and *Henry V*—depict the connection between biblical religions and political life. *Macbeth* and *King Lear* are related to the problems of monarchy, the one a study of tyrannical usurpation, the other, of succession and human justice in general. *The Tempest*, finally, constitutes Shakespeare's version of the rule of Plato's philosopher-kings.

To understand Shakespeare's intention, some background in classical and biblical thought is necessary. For this purpose, Aristotle's *Ethics*, *Politics*, and *Poetics*, Plutarch's *Lives*, and the Bible will be used selectively in reading the various plays under consideration.

### Cornell II—American Foreign Policy as History: The 20th Century

American diplomatic history consists of more than the formal interchanges between Washington and foreign capitals. Of crucial importance in that history are such ingredients as personalities, economic and military institutions, ideology and myths, perceptions of historical "lessons" and traditions, bureaucratic structures and constitutional processes, and national character and psychology. In an attempt to come to grips with this complexity, the seminar will consider intensively, in reading and discussion, topics such as the root factors of American foreign policy; imperialism (particularly in Asia and Latin America); the diplomacy leading to World War I and II; the Soviet-American confrontation since 1917; the Cold War and the Third World, 1950-1969; Nixon and prospects in the 1970's.

In addition to daily reading assignments in primary and secondary literature, seminar participants will research some aspect of the diplomacy of the 1960's which will be discussed in class during the last week. Earlier in the seminar, each student will be responsible for a brief oral report and essay on a topic in American diplomacy before 1960 which can be researched in the comparative documentation of two or more nations. (e.g.,



*D-Day minus 1: postman with 216 TASPlications*

the Manchurian crisis of 1931 in American, British, and German sources or the Yalta Conference in Russian and American documents).

The instructors for the Cornell II seminar are Thomas G. Paterson, Professor of History at the University of Connecticut, and J. Garry Clifford, Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Connecticut. Both scholars of 20th century diplomacy, Paterson specializes in the Cold War and Clifford in the history of military and defense policy.

Factota for the two Cornell Programs will be Joseph Schwartz and Laurie Mylroie.

### Cremona Program—Public Policy and Ecology

One of the major challenges for today's public policy is how to protect our environment and quality of life. The Cremona program will go beyond simple technical questions to examine the basic conflicts that are raised by the need to protect the environment. For example, it is desirable to prevent urban sprawl from filling up the remaining green spaces around cities, but doesn't this reserve the comforts of suburban living to the advantaged few who have already moved there? Who should set the limits to urban growth—local zoning boards, which may be in the grip of selfish local interests, or state and federal authorities, who may be able to take the broader view but place local communities at the mercy of unresponsive faraway decision-makers? In planning new power sources, how can economic benefits be balanced against losses in the quality of air and water?

These kinds of questions will be approached in a meaningful context through intensive examination of particular controversial environmental cases, such as the Santa Barbara oil spill and the Jamaica Bay airport decision. Since Cremona Farms is only 40 miles from Washington, D. C., students will gain a sense of how principle relates to practice by talking to visiting experts and influential figures from Congress and the Administration, questioning and challenging them to find out why solutions are so difficult.

The Cremona program will be directed by Professor Carlos Stern, consultant to the Environmental Protection Agency and professor of environmental economics at the University of Connecticut. He will lead seminars and work with students on several short papers. The seminars will be supplemented by visiting speakers, field trips in the southern Maryland and Washington areas, film showings, and a library of several hundred environmental titles specially assembled on the estate for the program.

Factota for the Cremona Program will be Jan Svejnar and Kathleen Sullivan.

# Telluride Association - Deep Springs

## Joint New Funds Drive

NEW FUNDS DRIVE YEAR	AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED AS OF FEB. 1*	NO. CONTRIBUTORS AS OF FEB. 1 AND TOTAL FOR YEAR	AVERAGE CONTRIBUTION
1969-70	\$ 6,330.35	88/177	\$72
1970-71	12,675.85	142/217	90
1971-72	17,079.03	177/229	97
1972-73	14,475.64	166/206	87
1973-74	13,464.21	152/?	92

\*Less extraordinary contributions

### Association, Deep Springs Fund Raisers View Progress

Comparisons are often unjust, and comparisons of figures are especially liable to abuse; nevertheless, an interim report on the progress of the 1973-74 Joint New Funds Drive, with a comparison with the 5 previous years' drives, seems worth trying, with appropriate explanations. The figures in the table above do not include contributions mailed directly to Deep Springs.

The above table indicates that 1973-74 will be a good year but not a spectacular one—about equal to last year but well below the vintage year of 1971-72 (even without the Monaghan bequest). A possible discouraging sign is the decline in the number of those who contributed to date—down 14 and 25 from the previous two years. It is not clear whether this indicates a decline in willingness or of the means to contribute to the Drive, or whether it is purely accidental. If the latter, we urge our friends to consider the effect of inflation on the expense of managing the basic programs—at Cornell Branch, Deep Springs, and the Summer Programs.

A third and final request for 1973-74 New Funds will be mailed in April to alumni and friends who have not contributed to the drive by the first of that month. (Earlier contributions cut postage costs!) Checks to the joint DS/TA New Funds Drive should be made payable to Telluride Corporation and sent to the Association office, 217 West Avenue, Ithaca, NY 14850, or gifts to Deep Springs may be mailed either to Ithaca or directly to the college. If you work for a company which matches employee contributions, consult the New Funds contribution envelope for instructions on donating matching funds.

—Jonathan Brezin

### Deep Springs Needs and Goals

From the Deep Springs viewpoint, the most notable aspect of recent annual giving is that it has remained at the same order of magnitude for the past several years. While these donations have been of major assistance, the effects of inflation have eclipsed them. Despite stringent management economics, Deep Springs has been forced to operate at a deficit in recent years.

Because of the obvious danger inherent in these circumstances, the Trustees, and a number of alumni and other friends, have devoted considerable effort toward securing major capital gifts from new, "outside" sources. As a result of these efforts those closest to the situation have become convinced that success will depend upon Deep Springs being able to eliminate its operating deficit through aid from its traditional supporters. This not only will put Deep Springs in an ideal position with respect to various institutional and individual philanthropies ("poor but solvent"), but also will offer

positive evidence of the exceptional level of dedication such donors expect from the beneficiaries of so remarkable an institution as Deep Springs.

Bob Aird has described the situation in more detail in the December *Deep Springs Newsletter* (copies available upon request.) The goal for Deep Springs, for the current period, which is crucial for outside fund-raising efforts, is \$40,000 per year beyond the past level of annual donations. Analysis has shown that this is a practical goal, provided that enough alumni contribute according to the "fair-share standard" set forth by Dr. Aird and that other friends help to the extent that they can.

—Bill Pezick

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*Two new housemembers:  
Jack Schrager, a junior  
majoring in history*

*and Tom Windmuller,  
a freshman planning to  
major in economics.*



## Custodians Wary of Wavering Dow

by Joseph Schwarz, TA72

General marketing uncertainties were reflected in the meeting of the TA custodians held on February 9th at the home of Treasurer Charles Christenson in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The questions that all investors are asking: will there be a recession, or rather, how big will the recession be? what effect will it have on consumer purchasing power? how enduring is the energy shortage and what effect will it have on industries heavily dependent on energy—these questions led the custodians to consider a variety of transactions but to decide to stand pat on the majority of them. No one cared to predict when the market would bottom out, or which stocks would move best when it did. Blue chip P/E ratios are at their lowest in recent years, and those of the glammers are perhaps now down to "realistic" levels. There is thus no difficulty identifying attractive on-paper buys, but considerable doubt about which of those promising issues will produce.

On the theory that there's little left to lose and a good chance to gain, the custodians decided to round up their holdings in Norton Simon and Kaufman and Broad to a block and one-half block respectively. [Block size is currently \$114,000.] They also decided to sell B F Goodrich and Crum and Forster if they rise a few points, and to round down Southern Railway to a single block if it appreciates a bit more. Purchases considered but finally decided against were American Express, Sears, Syntex, Proctor & Gamble, and Cooper Industries.

Abe Shulsky and Paul Patterson joined the group in Cambridge to participate in the deliberations of the Real Income Study Committee, which met after the custodians had. In an attempt to develop a revised spendable income formula, they constructed a model sufficiently pessimistic to convince themselves that there is *no* level of income which a fund could realize forever given the tendency of economic policy to encourage a high rate of inflation. After a digression which seemed to lead to the conclusion that slave labor was the only safe hedge against inflation, the group considered several possible formulas which might provide guidelines to those planning the Association budget and an investment policy for the Custodians. They expect to report their decision to Convention in June. They plan also to continue and update the Association Financial History begun in 1949-50 by the Permanent Finance Committee, chaired by Paul Szasz, detailing the real value and real yield of the Trust Fund from 1911 to the present.

## TELLURIDE HOLDINGS

(February 1974)

Aetna Life & Casualty  
Central & Southwest Corp.  
Crum & Forster  
Dow Chemical  
Evans Products (Convertible debenture)  
Exxon  
General Motors  
General Telephone and Electric  
B F Goodrich Co.  
I B M  
I T & T  
Kaufman and Broad  
McLean Trucking  
Middle South Utilities  
Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing  
Norfolk & Western Railways  
Norton Simon  
Pennzoil  
Roadway Trucking  
Southern Railway  
Standard Oil of Indiana

## Descartes, Shakespeare Topics for Third Winter Program

by Kathleen Sullivan, CB72

Professor Richard Kennington of Pennsylvania State University led an intensive seminar on Descartes' primary philosophical works for CBTA's third annual Winter Program (TAWP) the week of January 21. The *Discourse on Method*, in Prof. Kennington's own translation, was the central text examined.

The TAWP was conceived initially as a way of bringing the entire House together before the start of the spring term for an in-depth academic project with a singleness of focus not possible during the school year. As its acronym suggests, some of the same sort of intensity as the summer programs achieve was hoped for.

This year's TAWP had an added dimension, for it attracted four CBTA alumni of recent vintage—Arthur Melzer, Bob Kraynak, David Epstein and Ruth Seligson—and Harold Ames, a friend of Melzer and Kraynak. They added a significant and articulate sector to the seminar.

The seminars themselves lasted up to four hours each day in two sessions. Prof. Kennington began by locating Descartes in the modern political tradition, proceeding from Machiavelli's attention to the actual rather than the excellent in human behavior, through Bacon's argument for the mastery of nature, to Descartes' assertion that science can overcome man's state of necessity.

But the seminars for the most part concentrated on a close reading of the *Discourse* itself. Perhaps Prof. Kennington's most provocative reading challenged the mind-body dualism which is commonly regarded as Descartes' essential contribution to modern philosophy. He argues that Descartes does not really believe in a two-substance doctrine, pointing out that in the last part of the *Meditations* Descartes speaks of the compound whole of which mind and body are each a part.

Also undermining that dualism, Kennington argues, is the manifest fallaciousness of Descartes' argument that because he knows he is a thinking thing, he *is* a thinking thing. As Kennington put it, the discovery of thought does not cut man in half actually, but only cognitively.

Though the presence of four graduate students in government and philosophy tended at times to rarify the seminar discussions and send them over some younger and less-read heads, interest in the material was generally high. And the tenor of the seminars was not all deferential, as lively exchanges occurred between our current Lincoln Scholar Tony Rossiter and Prof. Kennington, who once referred to Rossiter as his "gadfly."

An informal playreading of and seminar on *Macbeth* highlighted the first two evenings of the week (while the sound of poker chips highlighted the evenings later in the week). Though the attention to *Macbeth* was sparked by Prof. Kennington's interest in the play and not out of any connection to Descartes, the seminar looked at a dualism of a different color, that between the male and female principles operative in the play. As Kennington sees it, valor in battle seems the masculine principle, "that which becomes a man," at the outset of the play, and faith in some kind of moral order to the universe is the "womanly" principle, as Lady Macduff herself says just before she is murdered; but it is the unnatural combination of male and female in the witches and in Lady Macbeth which develops Macbeth's motivation. The witches, who "should be women" but have beards, and Lady Macbeth, "unsexed," provoke Macbeth, and lend him assurance from which he acts, to dare to go beyond what "becomes a man," for daring unlimited by ethics is Lady Macbeth's own notion of manliness.

Professor Kennington was quite generous with his time outside the seminars as well, speaking at length with TAWPers about Descartes and *Macbeth*, but also about the Mideast and impeachment and other topics of the day.

## Deep Springers Hit the Spot

The *Newsletter* is happy to announce that the winner of the "Is Deep Springs College Hard to Find" photo contest is, hands down, Ernst S. Erickson, Jr., DS38, who has been awarded the grand prize of a year's honorary membership in the Alumni of Deep Springs and Telluride Association. Mr. Erickson's correct identification was not only the first received but was amply commented upon in the letter he sent with it, which follows verbatim:

"Although thirty-five years have somewhat clouded my memory, I believe that with the help of a road map and some old pictures I can correctly identify Deep Springs Ranch in the November, 1973 Newsletter photo. The High Sierras, Mono Lake, Crowley, and Tinemaha Reservoir are very helpful in positioning Deep Springs Valley near the right edge of the photo. Deep Springs Lake, with its surrounding salt flats, can be seen clearly at the southern end of the valley. The only remaining problem is to determine which of the two black dots nestled against the foothills in the northeast portion of the valley is the ranch. I opt for the more northerly point. I still have two aerial photos of the valley taken around 1937 from a considerably lower altitude, which show a darkened area south of the ranch. I don't recall after these many years whether this dark patch is a pasture of some geological formation." [The latter—Ed.]

Other Deep Springers who correctly located the college are George B. Sabine, DS29; Don Greer, DS54; and Bo Gehring,

*An arrow marks the location of Deep Springs in this photo taken in September, 1972. A January photo was used in the November issue. Here, the green of the fields around the college make it more visible, and the cultivated areas around Bishop and Dyer, and the numerous alpine lakes in the Sierras also show up clearly.*



DS58. Among non-alumni, Warren D. Kumler, a former DS dean, identified the college accurately, as did Robley C. Williams, who observed that he does get to the College occasionally. He further noted that the picture was taken before the water tank on the hill was re-roofed; also that the new modular house for the farmer is rather obscure.

A mystery respondent, to whose identity our only clue is the National Petroleum Company of Egypt envelope in which he mailed his answer, correctly identified both the College and many surrounding landmarks.

The Memorable Failure Award goes to Jonathan Simon, SP73, who located the College in the Columbus Salt Marsh in Nevada. A feasibility study will be initiated to look into his suggestion "If Deep Springs isn't where I said it was, move it." Contributions to support this costly research may be made to the Association or directly to the College.

### Photo Data

Several readers have written to ask how to get their own copies of NASA photos like the one printed here and in the November issue. They should write to:

U. S. Department of the Interior  
Geological Survey  
EROS Data Center  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57198

The photo identification of the November picture was 81163180635G000-5 and of the picture below is 810551805-55G000-5."

## In Memoriam

DANIEL H. BECK, TA11, on October 2, 1973, in Salt Lake City. Walter Welti sent the news to the Newsletter, commenting: "Dan was an old timer with Telluride, a man of many distinguished accomplishments, though personally extremely modest. Whatever old timers are left will remember him with warmest affection."

FRANK J. WIGHT, TA11, on November 16, 1973 in Camp Verde, Arizona, in his 93rd year. Mr. Wight first met L. L. Nunn in 1904 at Provo. He was at Cornell from 1908 to 1913 and was one of those who helped design Telluride House and grounds.

WILLIAM D. WHITNEY, TA17, on December 28, 1973 at his home in La Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland. Mr. Whitney was a partner in the law firm of Cravath, Swaine & Moore from 1930 to 1956, with one of his best known cases being the defense of 17 leading investment houses on a charge of monopoly and conspiracy brought by the Government. Mr. Whitney assisted in getting dismissal of the complaint, and thus the prevailing syndicate practice of marketing securities at a fixed price was upheld.

JULIUS F. BRAUNER, TA29, on January 5, 1974 in Scarsdale, New York. At his death, Mr. Brauner was secretary and general attorney of Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc. and executive director of CBS Foundation, Inc.

CARROLL NUNN WHITMAN, TA11, on January 6, 1974, in Syracuse, New York. A Constitutional Member of the Association and a nephew of L. L. Nunn, Whitman's many contributions to the Nunnian institutions included several year's service as a Deep Springs Trustee and as Dean of the College.

CLAYTON GRANDY, TA11, on February 3, 1974, in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Grandy was a Trade Association executive for many years. He was a particular friend of Chancellor E. M. Johnson, and maintained a lively interest in the well-being of the Association.

# The ADSTA Agenda



## ADSTA COUNCIL CHOOSES PELL FOR PRESIDENT

### *Rinehart Professorship Supported from ADSTA Treasury*

The Council of the Alumni of Deep Springs and Telluride Association has met twice since the *Newsletter* last reported its activities. At the first meeting on October 26th in New York City with Messrs. Gatje, Mellor, Allen, Breiseth and Murray in attendance, and at the second on January 18th at the offices of Covington and Burling in Washington, with Messrs. Gatje, Pell, Allen, Mellor, Szasz, and Murray of the Council and TA President Bob King and Alumni Secretary Louise Hertz in attendance, the following resolutions were voted:

1. That \$1,000 be appropriated from the ADSTA treasury for a contribution to the Joint New Funds Drive for the George Rinehart Professorship at Deep Springs College — a gesture which was felt to appropriately signify the unity and cooperation existing between alumni of both the Association and the College, and the value of active participation in the Alumni organization which serves them both.
2. That Erik Pell be named President of ADSTA, effective immediately, owing to the retirement from that position of Robert F. Gatje, who has been recently named a Trustee of Deep Springs College.
3. That Don Noel be named Second Vice President of ADSTA, succeeding Mr. Pell.
4. That the ADSTA membership/dues year be changed from the academic to the calendar year, to avoid conflicts with *Newsletter* and New Funds mailings from both the Association and the College. Members enrolled for the 1973-4 year will have their memberships extended until January 1, 1975.
5. That speakers for the Alumni Weekend panel in Ithaca on April 20th (see page 1) be Drs. Don Reis, James Baxter, Herbert Meltzer and James Wepsic, who will consider the topic "The Biology of Mental Illness."
6. That letters be sent to all former ADSTA or TAA members who have not enrolled for the current year encouraging them to participate. Enrollment as of the January 18th meeting was 125; the year's goal remains 250, with the ultimate membership goal at 300.

In addition to the above resolutions, matters such as Deep Springs fund raising and recruiting plans were discussed. At the January meeting, a conference call between the east and

west coasts was set up. Thus Dr. Robert Aird, Donald Read, and Frederick Balderston were in on the Council's decisions, and Dr. Aird was able to tell of promising new leads for endowment funds for Deep Springs.

The next ADSTA council meeting will be held on Sunday April 21 at Telluride House in Ithaca, at the close of the Alumni Weekend.

—John Mellor

### Washington, D.C.

Nearly 30 associates, representing many different TA and Deep Springs vintages, and their spouses and friends attended the fall dinner of the Washington Area ADSTA chapter at my home in Arlington on Wednesday evening, November 28.

The group was honored by the presence of Bob King, president of the Association, and heard from him about current Association matters and from him and Fred Laise about the November meeting of the Deep Springs trustees, from which both of them had recently returned. Bob King also discussed the Cremona summer program, in which the Washington group has a special fatherly interest, and I reported on the October meeting of the ADSTA council. I was also re-elected area chairman.

Enthusiasm for the institutions, and particularly for Deep Springs in this time of its fulfillment and its need, ran high.

The associates who attended in addition to those already mentioned were Jack Burchard, Cabot Coville, Jim Dean, Jack deBeers, John Edgerton, Paul Greenberg, Mel Kohn, Pete MacDonald, Abe Shulsky, Bill Spalding, Lee Talbot, Al Turpin and Paul and Clare Wolfowitz.

—Bill Allen

### New York

Twenty-six New York chapter alumni and guests turned out for drinks and dinner on December 27 at the Press Box Restaurant on 45th Street in Manhattan.

The event was not only a rousing success socially, but provided the occasion for a lively meeting of about a half-hour's duration centering generally on current Deep Springs and Telluride affairs.

Everyone was especially urged to attend the Alumni weekend at Ithaca on April 19th and 20th. May 29th was selected for the date of the spring meeting of the New York ADSTA chapter.

In choosing a date for this meeting that fell during the Christmas season, the committee had hoped to encourage the attendance of students home on vacation. Two students, Perry Dane and Peter Guth did join the festivities and participated actively in the discussion.

—John Murray

### Los Angeles

A small but dedicated group of DS/TA alumni met on Thursday January 10th at the International City Club in Long Beach. Duane Carnes and Ernie Tucker drove all the way from the San Diego vicinity for the gathering, where they were joined by myself, Don Novelli, Bob Simpson, Bob Henderson, and Jim Tucker. The chief drawing card for this group was concern for Deep Springs and interest in the energetic and promising work Bob Aird is doing as the College's new head of fund raising. A phonecall to him during the meeting filled us in on several encouraging developments.

—Bruce Laverty

Area Chapters whose fall meetings were not reported upon are Chicago, which assembled on Wednesday November 22nd at the Quadrangle Club of the University of Chicago; and San Francisco, which met on Monday November 12, immediately after the Deep Springs Trustees' Meeting in order to take advantage of the presence in the area of the Trustees and of TA President Bob King.

# Telluriders in the News

Many Newsletter readers will have seen announcements in the public press that Congressman Barber Conable, TA47, was elected in December to the Chairmanship of the House Republican Policy Committee, the group which formulates and articulates Republican positions on legislation in the House. Conable succeeds Rep. John Rhodes of Arizona, who was chosen minority leader to replace Vice-President Ford.

A *New York Times* article on December 14 by Martin Tolchin reads: "Mr. Conable, a scholarly, articulate man, is generally regarded as more moderate than his opponent, Rep. Del Clawson, a California conservative. . . In the past, the policy chairman has been chairman of the Platform Committee at the Republican National Convention. Mr. Conable today asserted his neutrality in the Presidential race. 'I'm friendly to Rockefeller,' Mr. Conable said. 'I'm also friendly with Connally, and I have a close identification with Jerry Ford. I think it is very early to be choosing sides.'

"The 51-year old legislator is regarded by some colleagues as the most influential Republican on Ways and Means. . . Mr. Conable attributed his victory today to such diverse factors as 'region, personality, and accidents of coalition and circumstances.' The same factors sent him to Congress in the first place, he said."

In his January 9, 1974 Newsletter to his constituents, Conable answers the questions implicit in the *Times* article: "I do not view myself as a potential top political leader in the House, and I hope you will not expect me to try to struggle further up the political ladder. My interests and expertise are primarily legislative, not partisan. Ways and Means Committee takes more and more of my time, and under the rules of my party I cannot have both committee leadership and a party leadership role. I want to be as effective as I can; but while I can accept secondary roles in both committee and party, the necessity of eventually choosing the top role in one or the other would find me prejudiced in favor of the committee where I already put the great bulk of my time. Ways and Means is a very fine opportunity for service, unusual for a Western New Yorker, while there are many political leaders in both parties from all parts of the country."

Those of you who saw the *Wall Street Journal* on January 3, 1974, may have been puzzled by the article that contained the following paragraph: "Environmental claims once dismissed as faddish are gathering a certain respectability. Paul Swatek, who works for the Audubon Society, wrote a book that was published in 1970 and called *The User's Guide to the Protection of the Environment*. 'I talked about turning down thermostats and buying smaller cars and eliminating energy-consuming appliances,' Mr. Swatek says. 'I guess I can sort of say I told you so.'"

A note to Paul Swatek, TA36, brought confirmation that the person quoted by the *Journal* was his son Paul III. The letter from Swatek père reads in part: "My own private consulting practice involves me in a lot of Civil Engineering construction and design—a dam in Venezuela, a river crossing in Bangladesh, docks, dams, etc. in the States. Not all of this is enthusiastically endorsed by Edwin Paul III in the broad brush of today's environmental concerns. I highly approve of Paul's activities. As he gets more publicity I guess I will get more flak from my contractor friends. It is fun to run into your son in the thick of your own endeavors.

"I have already discovered several long lost friends from school days wondering what I am doing writing a book about the environment."

Another *New York Times* article, this one dating back to October 12th, described a group of experimental plays being staged at the Mark Taper Forum, and the aspirations of the

Forum's artistic director, Gordon Davidson, TA53, for this sort of experiment. One major interest, according to the article, "is creating an ambience in which a creative life goes on." Davidson explains further: "With the New York scene shrunken so badly, there are not many places where a young person can develop professionally. The growth of the regional theatres has provided some of those places. There was more total activity in the regional theatres last year than on Broadway." The *Times* article continued, "This series is a chance, as Mr. Davidson put it, 'to fall on our face' without risking commercial disaster. It is also a chance for young playwrights to have their work produced by professionals, and that experience itself is part of the creative process."

Cristopher Keene, BB64, is again in the news—the *New York Times* of January 22nd. "A production of Alban Berg's 'Lulu,' to be staged by Roman Polanski, designed by Richard Linder and conducted by Christopher Keene, will be one of the major events at the 17th Festival of Two Worlds at Spoleto, Italy, next summer. The announcement was made yesterday at a news conference here by Giano Carlo Menotti, founder and acting president of the festival, and Mr. Keene, newly appointed general director, U.S.A., and co-musical director with Thomas Schippers."

The activities of two Telluride Housemembers were reported in a local paper, the *Ithaca New Times*, on November 25th. Rhoda Pinn, TA73, and Joseph Schwartz, TA72, both members of the Independent Radical Students at Cornell, were, in the words of the article: "in Dickson Dormitory canvassing students door-to-door, talking to those interested, and giving out leaflets. The head resident of the building told them to get out, invoking a little-known and rarely enforced rule that prevents anyone living outside a dorm from 'soliciting' in that

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*Prof. Romila Thapar, spring term CB faculty guest from University of New Delhi, teaches a seminar on "The Function of a Historical Tradition — with Reference to India."*



# News from Alumni and Friends of Telluride

■ A son, Joseph Immanuel, was born to Priscilla and Johannes Linn on January 6, 1974 in Washington D.C.

■ Our sources report that Edwin Cronk is among former TA'ers serving as Ambassadors; he is currently U.S. Ambassador to Singapore.

■ A note to the *Newsletter* in November reads: "Shalom, you all! For what it's worth, J. C. Dean began a full-time course of study in Hebrew on 19 November 1973 prior to an assignment in Tel Aviv next summer."

■ A son, Jesse, was born to the Michael Davidsons in September 1973.

■ Another birth announcement is of a son, David Brailsford, to the Fred Leventhals (SP55) on October 23rd. Fred has been promoted to Associate Professor of History at Boston University.

■ Richard Dolen writes from California: "This year I'm on a year's leave of absence from my usual job as a physicist at R & D Associates to work as Assistant to the Dean of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics at the University of Southern California. The job is a fascinating one, as it gives me access to decision making at the higher levels of University life. It is meaningful participation in important decisions involving the nature of education, the future needs of the country, the distribution of power, etc. I'm also teaching a graduate course in theoretical physics at the University, and of course a class at the local Go Club. On a separate subject, as the market declines, contributions to the TA Growth Fund have their chance to do maximum good for the Association."

■ Appleton Chapel at Harvard was the scene of a Telluride wedding on December 30th: Tim Greening, TA70, to Joyce Martin, SP67. Other associates present were John Kristensen, Richard Martin, and Bob King. Tim is doing a PhD in Economics at Harvard, and Joyce is at Brandeis beginning graduate work in Russian Studies.

■ Hugh Davy, TA32, writes from California: "I received a letter at Christmas time from Hasso von Puttkamer, who was a guest in the House during the early '30s. . . . After leaving Cornell, Hasso went into the German army as a Colonel, was captured on the Russian front and spent 11 years in a Russian prison camp. When he was finally released, he was given some training at Ft. Riley, Kansas under a NATO program and was Army attache to the German Ambassador in Paris and later in Rome. He went back into active duty for several years and has recently retired. I am sure those of us who were at the House at the same time as Hasso would be interested in his subsequent experiences."

■ W. D. Ainger, the Association's 1958-59 Lincoln Scholar, writes from England: "I have given up my part-time visiting lectureship at Southampton University to concentrate full-time upon my practice at the English Chancery Bar. It certainly keeps me occupied full time. Meanwhile at home Elizabeth is similarly kept busy by Katharine (7½), William (5), and Luke, who was born on Friday 13th October 1972. His arrival has caused us to employ builders to make our basement habitable and they too have helped to keep Elizabeth happy. The only Telluriders we ever see now are Gordy and Judi Davidson. We would love to see them and the rest of you more often."

■ Deep Springs faculty member Joseph Balachowski has been selected to appear in the 1973-74 edition of *Community Leaders and Noteworthy Americans*.

■ The Mike Yarrows, TA28, are now in Belfast, Northern Ireland, and have written from there: "Last fall the Newsletter notice of my year at Woodbrooke College, Birmingham, brought calls from two Telluriders long lost to me. Margaret and I appreciated heartily the visits we had with the Bill Pear-

sons and the Park Honans, who are much engaged in the life of Birmingham, the Pearsons in the city and the Honans in the University.

"I have yet to complete the study of 'Three Quaker Experiences in Conciliation in International Conflict,' but have made considerable headway and hope to return to it. For the year 1973-74 Margaret and I have been drawn to Quaker service in Belfast. We are living in a nice apartment attached to the new Frederick Street Meeting House close to center city. We have no solutions to offer. We are not optimistic that age-old quarrels can be easily settled. We expect to relate to many people who are doing constructive work under difficult circumstances and look for any useful role we can play." The Yarrows' address is Frederick Street Meeting House, Belfast BT1 2LW.

■ Richard Ryan, CB39, has recently moved from New Orleans to Baton Rouge, where he works with the Bureau of Aging Services, Division of Human Services, in the "umbrella" agency of the State of Louisiana. He is in charge of their Area Agencies on Aging.

■ Susan Altschuler, SP65, is finding the woods full of Telluriders: "I just discovered that a former member of the Berkeley branch, Peter Friedman, is in my class at SUNY's medical school at Stony Brook. John Mandelbaum, another BBer, was out East from the UC medical school at Davis visiting Peter. We exchanged happy memories of Martin's Ycas. How many Telluride people are going *into* medicine, anyway?"

Responses to the "Is Deep Springs Hard to Find?" contest included the following news notes:

■ From Warren D. Kumler, "Since July, 1972 I have been in Emeritus Status from my position as Professor of Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Associate Dean in the School of Pharmacy, University of California, San Francisco."

■ From George B. Sabine, TA31: "Jean and I are now both retired although I still consult occasionally for my former employer, the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. Retirement is a chancy business and I am not sure we are getting all we should out of it."

■ From Bo Gehring, SP58 and DS58: "I'm Creative Director in computer graphics at Mathematical Applications Group, Inc., Elmsford, New York. We make (simulated) three dimensional films which are beginning to appear on network television and in complex technical animation for clients such as IBM and CBS." He adds magnanimously "If my prize in the contest is a trip to New York I hereby donate it to Jim Dean."

Items from the Cornell Alumni News include:

■ Notice of the retirement of Lee G. Davy, TA27, from his position as executive vice president for development at Tennessee Eastman Co., on December 1st. He and his wife will move to an apartment they have purchased in Brevard, North Carolina, spending parts of their years there and the cold months in Naples, Florida.

■ News of Walter Barlow's having acquired complete ownership of his consulting firm, Research Strategies Corp. in New York City.

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**TELLURIDERS** continued from page eight building. This ruling has been upheld by the office of the Dean of Students.

"Schwartz pointed out the irony of a rule that keeps Cornell students from talking to each other, while representatives of the military-industrial complex are allowed to solicit on campus every day.

"Charlie MacKay of the Cornell chapter of the Civil Liberties Union said he plans to introduce into Cornell's senate an amendment to eliminate such bans."

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Other comments, news items, etc. ....

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Return reservation forms to Telluride Association, 217 West Ave., Ithaca, N. Y. 14850 by April 10th, 1974, or phone Louise Hertz at the Association, (607) 273-5011, or Jan Svejnar at the House, (607)272-1880. Please give 48 hours notice of cancellation of room reservations.

Signed .....

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