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During the entire life of the News-Letter - now more than a year - the editors have endeavored in some way to get in touch with Association Alumni. We have realized that news of this sort would be of vital interest to Association members but it has been surprisingly difficult to secure systematic information regarding Alumni members who are so widely scattered. We have mailed copies of the News-Letter to all Alumni members who have expressed a desire for them, and have asked the President of the Alumni Association to appoint a regular Alumni correspondent, such as each branch has elected, to give us news of men who have recently done school work with the Association. This appointment may be made; and in the meantime, the editors, with the aid of Chancellor Noon, make the following summation on the situation in general:

Realizing the need for some organization which might unify^{and} systematize the efforts of those who are interested in the Association, but who are not actual members, the following men met and formed Telluride Association Alumni, and thus became charter members: E.P. Bacon, E.F.Dard, W.L.Biersach, D.C.Brown, C.E.Ericksen, R.P.Fairbanks, G.F.Halliday, J.E.Hawley, F.C.Noon, J.J.Munn, E.A.Thornhill, H.R.Waldo, H.B.Waters and A.L.Woodhouse.

This meeting was held during the Association's 1913 convention at Boise, and at that time the Association Alumni were recognized as an affiliated organization. Their declared purpose is "to foster the Telluride Association, and to aid and assist it in the attainment of its purpose as expressed in its constitution." Any person who has received an honorable discharge from Telluride Association may become a member upon subscription to the constitution of Telluride Association Alumni, and the payment of the annual dues of five dollars. Also, any other person may be voted a member upon receiving a ninety per cent majority vote and complying with the above requirements.

Following are the offices created and their present incumbents; President, R.P. Fairbanks; First Vice President, A.L. Woodhouse; Second Vice President, E.P. Bacon; Third Vice President, F.C. Noon; Secretary and Treasurer, W.L. Biersach. Official action may be taken by the Alumni Association through direct vote of its members by mail, or through the Board of Managers. This Board of Managers consists of the above-named officers, excepting the Secretary-Treasurer. The officers are elected annually during the month of May.

Following is the membership of Telluride Association Alumni. It is given in hopes that a general idea of the scope of the organization may be gleaned, and that this may be succeeded in future numbers by more detailed accounts of the work being done by Alumni members.

J.W. AIRD - Physician and Surgeon, Provo, Utah.

V.E. ANDERSON - Price, Utah.

A.A. ANDERSON - Chief Engineer, Imperial Irrigation District, El Centro, Cal.

E.P. BACON - General Manager, Idaho Power and Light Co., Boise, Idaho.

E.C. BACHRACH - Attorney, Westminster Building, Chicago, Illinois.

D.T. BAILEY - Physician; 5511 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O.

F.L. BAIRD - 6101 Woodlawn Ave, Chicago, Ill. Dr. Baird's office is at 1230 E. Sixty Third St., Chicago, and he reports that his practise is increasing, although the general financial depression results in small collections. He will be pleased to see any members passing thru Chicago.

E.P. BARD - Davenport, Iowa. Mr Bard has given up his position as Treasurer of the Western Implement and Motor Co. and is again a Public Accountant with office in Davenport.

FRED M. BIERSACH - Allis-Chalmers Co., Milwaukee, Wisc. Fred is an erecting hydraulic engineer with the Allis-Chalmers Company, and was employed on the recent reconstruction of the water-wheels at Malade.

W.L. BIERSACH - Provo, Utah. Treasurer Telluride Assoc.

O.F.M. BIERSACH - Boise, Idaho. Accountant with the Idaho Power and Light Co.

G. ARTHUR BIERSACH - Versailles, Mo.

J. A. BOSHAID - Vice President of the First National Bank of Telluride, Colorado.

E. A. BOYD - Manager of Vale Electric Co. Vale, Oregon.

DOH C. BROWN - is in charge of the business-getting campaign and of the construction of new distribution systems in Twin Falls and Buhl, Idaho.

LEO BRANDENBERGER - is Superintendent of Power Sales with the Utah Power and Light Co. Salt Lake.

R. C. CARTER - President Electric Construction Co., Salt Lake City, Utah.

W. W. CLARK - Wayne has left Gunnison to take the management of the Richfield Electric Light and Power Co., succeeding H. E. Smoot.

L. EGERTSON CLUFF - with Custon, Gillette and Brayton, Attorneys at Law, Salt Lake City, Utah.

B. A. CURTINGS - Attorney, Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City, Utah.

H. E. DIEML - Superintendent Beaver River Power Co., Beaver, Utah.

SCOT DUNLOP - Phoenix Construction Co. Grace, Idaho.

C. E. ERICKSEN - Accountant, Provo, Utah.

R. P. FAIRBANKS - Consulting and Erecting Engineer, Pocatello, Idaho.

T. L. FISHER - Richfield Electric Light and Power Co., Richfield, Utah.

ALAN W. FLOWERS - Professor of Electrical Engineering, Columbus, Ohio.

EUGENE FULLER - Surgeon, 252 Lexington Ave., New York City. Dr. Fuller paid a visit to the western part of the country during the latter part of last summer, spending a few days in Provo and Salt Lake City.

LUCIUS B. FULLER - Phoenix Construction Co., Salt Lake City, Utah.

C. P. GOODY - Electrical Construction Engineer, #8 Vernon Apartments, Salt Lake City, Utah.

E. E. GORDON - Station Superintendent Utah Power and Light Co., Logan, Utah.

EMILE J. GUSTIL - Attorney; Custin, Gillette and Brayton, Salt Lake City, Utah.

GEO. F. HALLIDAY - Accountant, Boise, Idaho.

J. R. HARSCH - Sevier Land and Water Co. Salt Lake City.

H. A. HAURY - 2122 S. CAL. Ave., Chicago, Ill.

JESS E. HAWLEY - Attorney; Hawley, Puckett and Hawley, Boise, Idaho.

EDWARD W. HOPPER - Bookkeeper, First National Bank, Telluride Colorado.

H. V. HOYT - Superintendent, Idaho Light and Power Co., Bliss, Idaho.

ELTON HOYT - Celina, Texas. Mr. Hoyt spent part of the winter in Salt Lake City, but has now returned to Celina.

LUCIUS LAUDIE - Box 1513, Salt Lake City, Utah. After having been appointed receiver of the Salt Lake and Mercur R.R., Lucius secured a similar job from another defunct road. He is apparently a Professional receiver.

JOHN B. INK - Utah Power and Light Co., Preston, Idaho.

ARTHUR JOHNSON - Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City, Utah.

A. M. JOHNSON - President National Life Insurance Co., 29 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

Maurice E. Locke - Attorney, Dallas, Texas.

LLOYD P. LUMPEE - Jefferson City, Mo. State Electrician.

W. J. MADDEN - Dunsmuir, Cal. Hydraulic engineer.

MILLER, J. C. - Boise, Idaho. Superintendent of Distribution, Idaho Power and Light Co.

T. B. MONROE - Utah Power and Light Co., Provo, Utah.

D. H. MCALLISTER - Salt Lake City, Utah. Electrical engineer.

W. D. MCCLELLAN - Terminal, Utah. Mac has become married and has been placed in charge of the Utah Power and Light Companies repair department all in one year. The world certainly does move.

N. A. MCKAY - Telluride, Col. Cashier, 1st. National Bank.

IRWIN MCHIECE - Salt Lake City, Utah. District engineer Allis-Chalmers Co.

E. C. MOON - Provo, Utah. Chancellor, Telluride Assoc.

P.K. NUHN - Caspar, Wyoming. Consulting hydro-electric engineer.

J. J. NUHN - La Grande, Ore. V. Pres. and Gen. Mgr. of the Grande Ronde Valley Fruit Co.

E. R. OWEN - Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City. District manager.

CLAUDE W. RAKESTRAW - Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

P. O. REYNEAU - 202 Chandler Ave., Detroit, Mich. Reyneau is employed as an electrical engineer in the testing department of the Detroit Edison Co.

JOHN F. ROWE - Eureka, Utah.

F. S. RUST - Hardin, Mo. Fleet is employed on his father's farm at Hardin.

EUGENE SCHAUB - Logan, Utah. Civil engineer.

F. A. SHEENWOOD - Wyoming Electric Co., Caspar, Wyo.
 H. E. SMOOT - 511 N. Lockwood Ave., Chicago, Ill. Brownie writes that he and Mrs. Smoot are settled at the above address, and extend an invitation to all Association men passing thru Chicago. Brownie is employed by the North American Cold Storage Co., 345 N. Canal St. Phone, Main 2787.

R. M. STROBRIDGE - Strobbridge Coal Co., Twin Falls, Ida.
 W. SQUIRES - Salt Lake City, Utah. Dentist.
 O. B. SURR - RFD #10 Box 75 X, Los Angeles, Cal. Consulting hydro-electric engineer.
 E. A. THORNHILL - Provo, Utah. Dean of Telluride Assoc.
 TOZER, C. A. - Utah Power and Light Co., Grace, Idaho.
 C. W. TWELVES - Provo, Utah. Civil engineer.
 J. Wm. TWELVES - Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City, Utah. Accountant.
 JAMES A. TWELVES - Utah Power and Light Co., Salt Lake City, Utah. Accountant.
 L. L. VINCENT - Manila Light and Railway Co., Manila, Phillipine Islands. Assistant engineer.
 H. R. WALDO - Idaho Power and Light Co., Boise, Idaho. Attorney.
 CHARLES D. WALCOTT - Secretary, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C.
 H. B. WATERS - Superintendent, Idaho Power and Light Co., Boise, Idaho.
 A. H. WELCH - 201 Stewart Ave., Ithaca, N.Y.
 F. J. WIGHT - Richfield, Utah. In charge of construction and extension work of the B.R.P.Co. and the Southern Utah Power Co.
 A. L. WOODHOUSE - Gen. manager, Beaver River Power Co., Richfield, Utah.
 E. P. WOODHOUSE - President, Institute Fruit Co., Provo, Utah.
 A. M. WRENCH - President, Telluride Realty Co., Salt Lake City, Utah.
 T. C. WURTS - 1164 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Students' course with Westinghouse Machine Co.
 Professor A. J. WURTS - 1164 Shady Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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AFTER GRADUATION -- WHAT ?

J. G. MILLER.
 Dallas, Texas.

A great weakness of Telluride Association in the past has been its annual turning-away from its ranks

of trained men who were said to be "graduated". Because they had reached this advanced stage, we thought we had no further use for them. Many went their way and were lost to us. A few, perhaps thru increased devotion, stayed by. There was the feeling among those men who were so stricken from the rolls, and perhaps among others of us who were not yet arrived at that stage, that the system was wrong; that if our organization did not mean more than a mere scholarship, or a road to a college education, that our Associational magnetism would not be sufficient to attract the type of young man we wished to recruit to our ranks.

The average young fellow does not care to give up several of the best years of his life with the promise that he will soon be set free to learn a new set of standards. Every year hundreds of young fellows of ability find means to finance a college education without any such rigorous preparatory course as we prescribe.

Happily, our last convention took cognizance of these facts. The pendulum seems to be on the verge of swinging back. Why should not our Associational interests be our life's work, as well as any other vocation? The point is often made that we have no place for our trained men -- our ranks are too narrow. Then let us and them broaden until there is. If we expect to make a place for ourselves among the world's organizations and carry our share of the burden, this we must do -- stand together and make our products superior; have our engineers form an Engineering Organization, under auspices of the Association, for the conduct of our own and such other enterprises as may come to us; have our lawyers and doctors and other scientists do likewise. Thus may we emanate our knowledge for the benefit of mankind and still conserve it for Associational purposes. Let efficiency be our shibboleth and let us handle our own affairs so effectively that we will be called on to help less favored individuals and organizations who have not our training or our discipline to sustain them.

This does not mean that we must submerge our own individual characteristics for the elevation of the Association, but that we should pare off those loose habits with which union is not strength and with which true progress cannot be made.

Let us then broaden our Association that we may keep to ourselves our trained men as they come to us thru the mill of practical and technical education. Let us set them to training our raw material, which likewise must go thru the same mill. Instead of turning them away to start anew, make them drill masters of our recruits to instill in them our Associational ideas. Then will our esprit de corps grow and our efficiency mount by leaps and bounds. Then may we feel our Organization sufficiently strong to march with safety along that crowded highway whose sign boards and milestones point toward the Supreme Good, and know that in striving for the attainment of this objective lies the true purpose of Teluride Association.

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The News-Letter takes this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Carroll Whitman upon making the Cornell Varsity Debate Team. In our estimation, a place on the debate team is as strongly to be desired as any position to be won in Cornell Student Body Competitions.

It is not known whether Carroll is to debate against Columbia or the University of Pennsylvania; but our best wishes go with him in either direction.

The postal authorities and all the geographers spell the name of the town that has grown up with Cornell - "Ithaca". From the letters received from Western Association members, we should judge that a vote would stand about 50-50 for spelling it "Ithica". Inasmuch as this is a close question, it would seem proper to follow the postal custom and address letters with one "i" and two "a"s, regardless of personal conviction as to which looks the better.

The News-Letter has developed enough nerve in its one year of publication, to get out this special Alumni number. If we get by with it, the next issue will be a Scholarship Number; it will be our aim to have a report from every man doing school work with the Association, with comments from the Dean and instructors.

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F. C. NOON, CHANCELLOR.

PROVO, UTAH.

Recently Mr. Fleishman, the Buffalo attorney who conducted the Ithaca tax case, sent his greetings to those at Cornell and added "Tell each one to read Judge Vann's decision." Every member of the Association should be familiar with this document. It has recently been published and can be secured in pamphlet form from the West Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minn. In ordering, ask for a copy of the case of People ex rel Walcott - v. Parker, 146 N.Y.S. 753. These Pamphlets cost \$.25 each.

Members of the Association who have been connected with the Idaho work will be particularly pleased to know that the Public Utilities Commission issued an order recently allowing the Idaho Power and Light Co. to serve the people of Twin Falls and Buhl. The work in this district is under the direction of Don Brown. A business getting campaign is being pushed and distribution systems are being extended as fast as is consistent with economical construction.

Last month the treasurer called attention to the necessity for a wise expenditure of the income and explained that the sum available this year for operation will be considerably reduced as compared with previous years. Several requests have been made for a brief summary of the conditions of the various enterprises in which we have interests, and particularly for information regarding the Beaver River Power Co.

Immediately after the breaking out of the war, and the beginning of the present financial depression, the Newhouse mine was closed down. This reduced Beaver's income substantially and so far the market has not sufficiently developed to replace this load. There are several good prospects. The Moscow mine has recently been connected and if the plans of the management work out this mine should require four to five hundred horse power. The Lady Brian mine near the Moscow is also an excellent prospect. A plan is under way for the development of the aluminum deposits at Marysvale. The ideas on which the owners of this property are working contemplate the use of twenty five to thirty thousand horse power. It is not probable, however, that anything will be done there, until after an adjustment of market conditions has taken place. The load in the Southern Valleys is growing slow-

ly but steadily and this district should form an excellent outlet for Beaver power.

Dividends are now being paid out of surplus but with the addition of a small amount of load it will again be possible to pay them from current earnings.

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BRANCH CORRESPONDENCE.

BEAVER BRANCH.

J.C. Van Etten, Corr.

Little progress has been made in school work during the last month, due partly to the serious illness of Prof Jones, and partly to some minor pipe line trouble.

The first half of the month passed uneventfully. The short vacation at Christmas and New Years had given considerably more "pep" to school work and every one took hold with a will. Good grades were the rule and considerable enthusiasm was shown. On the night of the sixteenth however, Prof suffered an attack of acute heart trouble, precipitated by over-exertion on a walk he had taken during the day.

During Prof's illness classes have been continued, Mr. Diehl taking those in Math. and Larson hearing the others. Prof is now out of danger and the nurse says that he can soon be up.

On the twenty fourth a slight drop in the pressure gave us some work on the pipe line.

On the sixth, following a day spent in Milford on business, Mr. A. L. Woodhouse and Frank Wight were our guests. They made the trip from Richfield in a Ford truck and say that they enjoyed it.

Several rides on makeshift sleds, when returning from work near the dam, have resulted in considerable patching of trousers. Larson and Valentine claim that there is no snow on the road from Casey's flat down. They made the exciting trip on a board.

BLISS BRANCH.

J.E. Meehan, Corr.

The subject matter for this month's News-Letter

is as varied as the weather which we have had in this part of the country. During the early part of January, the unusual cold enabled us to put up about seven tons of ice in our own ice house. We are now ready for summer. Shortly after this work was completed we had a taste of the above-mentioned season, the latter part of the month being warm, with rain storms.

No visitors have come to Malade during the past month. Mr. and Mrs Noon are expected in the near future. Fournier spent a few days in Boise a short time ago; as he was having trouble with his eyes, it was necessary for him to make the trip.

The duck season closed January 15, and since that time our hunters have been recalling past exploits. The last feast on wild game, as it was then thought, was a great one. But Schotte and his band have risen up and supplied the boarding house with rabbits.

The public speaking class has been working hard lately. Prof Jandl has been giving out some fine subjects. The war takes up a good deal of time in this line. Besides this, the war is the one and only subject of a series of discussions between Prof and Carbaugh. The latter is the sole defender of the Kaiser, and we must admire him for his heroic defense of a hopeless cause. One evening after public speaking class, Prof Jandl gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the war, its causes, etc. As we have not much time to study the situation, Prof's talk was very timely.

A constitutional committee was appointed some time ago, but owing to difficulties encountered in interpreting the Constitution of the Association, the committee is awaiting advice from other sources. Another matter discussed at the meeting was the procuring of a piano for the house.

Exams are coming soon and every one here is waiting in suspense, preparing for the worst.

On January 23 the station was closed down for about two hours, the first time since the flume break last September. The collector rings started sparking about five o'clock, and a short time later burned up, but we were back on the line again by seven fifteen.

BOISE, IDAHO.

By B.F. Armstrong.

On Christmas Eve, the entire office was given over to the Associated Charities. A large Christmas tree in the centre of the store proved a great attraction, and many hundreds of Boise children were made happy with gifts of toys, books and candy. Christmas Day was most enjoyably spent at Telluride House -- Mr. and Mrs. Bacon and Prentice being our guests.

A second hearing before the Public Utilities Commission was held on the 31st, the 2nd and the 4th. The hearing covered the Pocatello, Twin Falls and Buhl cases, and altho no decisions have been rendered we are inclined to think that things will work out in our favor. Mr. and Mrs. P.N. Nunn and Mr. L.L. Nunn were here during the hearing.

Professor Thornhill returned from the East shortly before Christmas, and Mrs. Thornhill and Mary arrived in Boise this week.

On Wednesday evening we organized a Reading Club at Telluride House. This was done in the endeavor to apply our evenings more beneficially than has been the practise heretofore. The purpose of the club is to read and discuss literary and historical works, current topics and the European war. Fourteen persons, including L.L. Nunn and Professor Thornhill attended the first meeting. Mr. Bacon and George Halliday were unable to attend having previously been assigned into the custody of the "Goat" at the Elks Club of Boise. Messrs. Waldo and Hawley assisted, so we are told, in the administration of the initiation ceremony.

CORNELL BRANCH.

T. G. Moore, Corr.

During the past month, life at the Cornell Branch was rendered interesting, altho' far from exciting, by three things; sickness, final exams, and cutting down expenses. For some unknown reason, we have been peculiarly vulnerable during the last several weeks, to grippe, colds and sundry miscellaneous diseases and accidents, there being less than one-fourth of the members who have so far been untouched.

Clark was attacked most seriously. He went to the University Infirmary on the 18th of January with grippe and remained there for ten days; he had not been home more than a day or two before he caught a severe cold, the inflammation spreading to the Eustachian tube. First it was necessary to puncture his right ear drum to relieve the pressure and drain the ear. Regardless of this operation, the infection spread to the mastoid process, which is a very dangerous place for an infection to be. This mastoid process is the bone back of the ear, which is honey-combed with cells. Mastoiditis is the disease resulting from the formation of an abscess in these cells. If the abscess is allowed to proceed, it will eventually discharge into the brain, and spinal meningitis results. An operation in such a vital region is a serious matter, but the physicians were united in deeming one necessary, and on the evening of February 8th a small part of the mastoid process was removed and the abscess drained. Dr. Crum, who has given up his practise, very kindly aided in the operation. From that time on, Clark has steadily improved and it is believed that he is on the rapid road to recovery and a resumption of his school work.

Upon the subject of final exams, the writer discourseth but slightly until the returns are in. Suffice it to say that they became exciting at only two points -- once when Bill Ellms forgot to take one, and again upon their completion.

The operation of cutting down expenses is proceeding merrily under the direction of Mr. Landon, and while we have not reached his ideal yet, we are fast approaching it, having suffered both prunes and beans during one meal. Some of the expensive and superficial "distinguishing features" of the Cornell Branch are being extinguished, the attempt being made to retain the essence but not the "trimmings".

Junior Week was spent very quietly by our fellows. We gave no entertainment at all and only a few of our members took part in any of the festivities. Several visited out of town but most of us stayed in Ithaca, playing chess and doing the Star. We have entertained few guests during the past month: Mr. and Mrs. Moon arrived on the sixth to be with us a short time. About the ninth, Professor Kuno Francke of Harvard who is deliver-

ing a course of lectures at the University under the Schiff Foundation, spent a few days as our guest.

Individual Items.

- EDWARDS, R.J. - Visited relatives at Utica, N.Y., during Junior Week.
- ASHWORTH, P.P. - Visited the McIntosh and Seymour Corporation, manufacturers of Diesel engines, at Auburn, N.Y.
- WALCOTT, S.S. - Visited in New York City and Washington during Junior Week.
- OTHUS, J.C. - Represented the Cornell University Christian Association at a convention of University Christian Associations held at Penn State College during the Junior Week vacation.
Fat is fast filling the shoes of Mac Parker.

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PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

By F.L.Howard.

The Purdue men find themselves once more undergoing the painful process of starting a new semester, without the intervening diversion of a few days, as enjoyed by other colleges; but life is so uneventful that it makes little difference.

The semester grades have not yet been sent out, but no one came very dangerously near the brink. Both Beck and Dietzel have been working hard and it is safe to say that they are running above the average.

On the advice of Chancellor Noon, who was visiting us at the time, Jack Townsend left for Chicago about two weeks before the semester ended. His purpose was to consult a specialist regarding stomach trouble. He is at present under the care of Dr. F.L.Barbour, and from latest reports is doing nicely. Up to the time of his leaving, his grades were well up in every subject.

Mickey Howard has straightened out all of his first semester irregularities caused by late entrance, and is now running on the Purdue schedule.

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STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

W.L.Cone, Carr.

JANUARY REPORT - This was received too late to be included in the January number of the News-Letter.

The Holiday Season has come and gone, and marked in passing, but few digressions by the Stanford group, from their regular devotion to academic work.

Cone, Ferris and Shepard spent a short period with relatives in California. Ferrer visited during the entire holiday with parents (supposedly) in Provo, Utah. The rest of us, who were obliged to remain in Palo Alto for the monotonous two weeks, are happy to begin the second semester.

Reports of last semester's work show to our advantage -- the averages are easily above the majority reported about the Campus.

FEBRUARY REPORT. -- One month of our second semester has gone at Stanford while most of you at other schools have been finishing your first. There were no failures in the work last semester, altho the average grades were not as high as will be expected this semester.

Professor Thornhill left for Los Angeles last evening, after a stay here of about five days. He left us an average grade of B as a goal to reach during the coming semester.

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