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SOME MORE ABOUT NEW MEMBERS.

At the Beaver Branch this year there are eleven applicants for Association membership, of whom, so far as the fundamental requirements are concerned, ten are eligible for election at the coming Convention. With all of these applicants I have been closely associated since last November; and some of them I have known for more than a year. When Convention meets in June, I expect to be called upon to give my views as to whether or not these men should be admitted to membership. What shall I say?

Much emphasis has been put upon the value of having prospective members spend a year as a Branch, upon probation, as to speak, in order that there may be no doubt concerning their desirability or undesirability when the time to elect new members comes around. It is assumed by most of us that, after a few months of association with them, we could have no doubt whatever about our opinions in regard to applicants. Some of us think even that it ought to be possible for a competent judge of character fully to make up his mind about a man after no more than a couple of hours of conversation with him. In spite of all this, there are not more than two or three of our applicants at Beaver about whose desirability as members I am fully convinced. There are two principal reasons why.

In the first place, actual and potential ability in young men of high-school age are things of which no man can judge with much satisfaction to himself or any one else. I could cite actual instances of men whom, at the beginning of the year, I was convinced it was an actual waste of time and energy to attempt to mould according to Association standards; yet whom I think now are the most promising material we have. But I have no means of making sure that, within another six months, I may not have re-adopted my first opinion. Practically all our applicants possess weak and strong points together; at one moment I may be exasperated
with the former, and the next I may be marvelling at a sudden evidence of the latter. The man about whom I am most enthusiastic now may turn out to be worthless; and the man about whom I am most pessimistic now may one day turn the world upside down. Is it for me to say that either one of these men is unfit to become an Association member?

These are things, however, which we must gamble upon, whether we will or no. Our uncertainty about anything in the future renders them more or less beyond our control; and, even though we make many mistakes, we cannot shirk the responsibility which is upon us.

But I am keenly aware of the fact that there are no definite standards, in pursuance of which we may shape our decisions in regard to an applicant. Do we want to elect men who have already proved their ability to do things? Do we want men who have demonstrated only their willingness to be moulded according to Association standards and ideals? Do we want men who, along with a number of very admirable traits, exhibit also a number of undesirable characteristics? Or do we want all of these? The Chancellor says that there are something like forty members that will be voted at the 1915 Convention; do we want to fill these places, perhaps a majority of them occupied now by inactive members, with new men who may make good and may not? We cannot make conditions worse, in a good many cases, and we may make them better.

Mr. O. R. Clark's article in the New Membership Number of the NEWS LETTER was admirable. "Everybody," he says, "is not fitted to become a member of Telluride Association." "We must select the best." Upon these two propositions we are probably all agreed; yet, to some of us at least, the difficulty of "selecting the best" is painfully evident. Will not a little more definite understanding as to what IS "the best" afford us some material aid? Taken as a whole, the applicants at Beaver are an exceptionally fine bunch of fellows; yet it requires
no considerable stretch of imagination to conceive of a group even more suitable. Shall we reject them on this account?

Mr. Whitescotton's article in the New Membership Number of the NEWS LETTER, advocating the abolition of rules in regard to the use of tobacco, invites just three words of rebuttal. Those three words are:

The Beaver Branch.

--- W. Paul Jones.

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CONCERNING OUR APPLICANTS.

During the past two years a large number of applications for membership have been filed with Telluride Association. Many of these have never passed beyond the preliminary stage because the applicant has learned something about the Association and has concluded that its method and purpose are not suited to his particular aim. Some have been withdrawn and others have been deferred.

On March 16th when the examination for 1916 was sent out, fifty-seven were maintaining an active interest in the Association and provided they were able to meet the requirements of a year of self-support, could be considered for membership at the Convention. This number has been greatly decreased by the failure of the applicants to do the reading and prepare the essays required by the Constitution. Just how many will be qualified can not yet be determined, but it is fairly safe to assume that it will not be more than thirty or less than ten. A list of the active applicants as of March 16th, a copy of the examination, the letter of transmittal of the same and a letter relative to the applicant's use of tobacco and alcohol which will be mailed on May 22nd, follow. An information blank of the form now in use is also added.
Applications for membership to Telluride Association from the following persons will have been on file at least one year by June 20th, 1916.

Charles Amaden, Farmington, New Mexico
Harris Anderson, El Centro, California
Reginald R. Bacon, Logan Garage & Supply Co., Logan, Utah
William Balderston, 513 N. 6th St., Boise, Idaho
R. Stevens Bradley, 1722 W. St., Washington, D. C.
Allen C. Brown, Rhinelander, Wisconsin
R. W. Calloway, 2006 5th Ave., New York City
Alfred X. Cherry,
Gibson S. Cowan,
R. H. Critchton, 522 Fillmore St., Topeka, Kans.
O. H. Davenport, 950 Hayes St., San Francisco
J. T. Draper, B. R. P. Co., Beaver, Utah
Harold Dunn,
Chester Dunn,
E. V. Ewing,
David Eke,
Earl E. Gratto, 227 15th St., San Diego, Cal.
Gary Gray, 1607 Resseguie St., Brea, Idaho
W. D. Hardaway,
M. B. Hart,
E. C. Highly,
Clyde Haynes,
W. J. Hufnagel,
O. O. Janiell,
Myron Johnson, 810 N. 10th St., Boise, Idaho
Lewis Jones,
Robert E. Kile, 1234 W. French Place, San Antonio, Texas
Goodwin Knight, Stanford University, California
Dean M. Lake, 519 Judah St., Honolulu, Hawaii
C. D. Lamb, 24 Newton St., Norwalk, Ohio
Geo. Landon, 3812 N. Kedvale Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Julius Lee,
E. J. Lynch,
Ford McCarty,
M. A. McNeil,
J. E. Meehan,
Glen L. Memmott,
Smith M. Merrill,
Carson Mueller,
Logan Monroe, 1346 S. 1st St., Louisiela, Ky.
W. A. Monson, Logan, Utah
F. H. Ogden, B. R. P. Co., Beaver, Utah
Kyle Parker, McMinnville, Oregon
Gordon Pollock, 1213 N. 18th St., Boise, Idaho
Ivan Reeder, Staten Island, New York
Herbert Rash, B. R. P. Co., Beaver, Utah
A. A. Row, B. R. P. Co., Beaver, Utah
Stanley Schaub, Telluride Assn., Ithaca, N. Y.
Chris Scott, Provo, Utah
Irvin Scott, Telluride Assn., Ithaca, N. Y.
R. R. Santos, Boise, Idaho
Ian Cook, The Stratford, Los Angeles, Cal.
H. D. Stevens, 114 S. Hyland Ave., Ames, Iowa
Pierre WARNAK, B. R. P. Co., Beaver, Utah
Otis Whitecotton, Provo, Utah
James F. Whitney, San Diego, Cal.
Cornelius Williams, Palo Alto, Cal.

Applications from the following persons were received during the 1915 Convention and will, therefore, probably have been on file one year before the 1916 Convention adjourns.

Glen Field, Provo, Utah
Sheldon Galloway, Provo, Utah
Myron Knight, 1745 - 22nd St., Gooding, Idaho
Edith B. McTavish, Washington, D. C.
Paul Lassar, Beaver, Utah

Provo, Utah, March 2, 1916.

Dear Sir:

If your application for membership is to be considered at the Convention which meets June 20th, 1916, you should make sure that you have satisfied the preliminary requirements. Please answer the following questions and return this sheet to F. C. Noon, Telluride Association, Provo, Utah, at your early convenience.

1. When the Convention meets, will your application have been on file for a year?
2. Are you pursuing a course of study? What?
3. Will you have supported yourself for at least one year? How?
4. Name from two to four good books which you have read within the last year and on which you are ready to be examined.
5. Are you ready to take an examination on the General Principles of Democracy and on the Constitution and Polity of the United States?
6. Have you written a thesis on the Purpose and Plan of Telluride Association?

A copy of the examination for membership for 1916 is enclosed herewith. Please note that all essays should be sent to F. A. Thornhill, Telluride Association, Provo, Utah, by May 1, 1916.

Place: Yours truly,
Date: (F. O. Noon) Chancellor.
Signature: 

Examination for Membership Prescribed by Telluride Association 1916.

Write a brief essay on each of the following numbered subjects. The aim is to find out what and how YOU think of these fundamental topics, rather than what and how some one else thinks of them; so try to express your own thoughts in your own way and in your own language. You are free to treat the subjects to any length you see fit, but we suggest that approximately 500 words is a suitable length in each case. Typewritten manuscript, being more easily read than hand-written, is preferred but not required; legible hand-written manuscript on good paper the same size as this sheet and used on one side only, will be satisfactory.

Do not waste time by reading a book that is not of very high quality and before writing about the purpose of it and the success with which the purpose is worked out, you should have the book approved. At least one of the two books offered should be non-fiction. If you have difficulty in choosing books,
we shall be glad to make suggestions, but we feel that it will be much better for you to practice your own judgment in choosing.

Before writing on the "Constitution and Polity of the United States," look up the meaning of the word 'polity.'

Read especially Article III, Sections 1 and 4 of the Constitution of Telluride Association, and Article 1 of the By-Laws.

All essays should be sent to E. A. Thornhill, Telluride Association, Provo, Utah, by May 1st, 1916.

Subjects:
1. The Purpose and Plan of Telluride Association.
3. The Constitution and Polity of the United States.
4. The Purpose of Book I. (Including the value of the purpose and the success with which it is worked out.)
5. The Purpose of Book II. (Including the value of the purpose and the success with which it is worked out.)


Dear Sir:

At the 1915 Convention of Telluride Association, the following resolution was adopted:

Be it resolved by Telluride Association in Convention assembled that it shall be the duty of the Chancellor, within the thirty days immediately preceding the date fixed for any Convention of Telluride Association, to secure from all applicants who will be eligible for membership at such convention a written statement duly signed by such applicant giving a full account of such applicant's use of tobacco and alcohol for the twelve months immediately preceding the date of such statement; and to submit such statements so secured to Telluride Association in Convention assembled at the time the question of the ad-
mission of such applicant to membership is under consideration.

In order that your application may be complete and in form for consideration by the 1936 Convention, please send me not later than June 15th, the signed statement required by this resolution.

Yours truly,

(F. C. Noon) Chancellor.

INFORMATION BLANK - TEHILLIDE ASSOCIATION.

Answer all questions fully and as far as possible on these sheets. If more space is required use extra sheets numbering all answers to correspond with the questions.

1. Date and Place.
2. Name in full.
3. Present Address.
4. Home address.
5. Date and place of birth.
6. Height and weight.
7. Health - past and present.
8. Do you use tobacco or alcohol?
9. Do you use cigarettes?
10. What occupations have you had?
11. Have you completed the eighth grade? When and where?
12. Have you completed a high school course? When and where?
13. Name the high school subjects in your course and the length of time each was studied. It is possible to attach to this sheet a certified copy of your high school record.
14. What have you contributed towards the expense of your education?
15. Parents or guardian's name.
16. Parents or guardian's address.
17. Father's occupation.
18. Nationality of father.
20. Have you read the Constitution of Telluride Association?
21. Do you want money or opportunity? i.e., have you debts or obligations to meet for which you must sacrifice the future for the present, or are you in a position to give whatever will be necessary to a complete preparation for your life work?
22. Enclose a photograph of yourself, (preferably un-mounted), and write an essay equivalent to one typewritten page on one of the following:

(a) Democracy - Define and illustrate.
(b) Self-control vs. indulgence.
(c) The purpose of some book you have read.
(d) Your aim in life and the steps by which you hope to attain it.
(e) Theory vs. practice.
(f) The purpose of Telluride Association.

I hereby apply for membership in Telluride Association.

Signature,

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THAT QUESTION OF MARIJUANAS.

At the last two conventions of the Association, and from time to time in the News Letter, the tobacco and liquor questions have received considerable attention. They are questions which merit a great deal of attention from the Association, especially as the majority of members who are users of either narcotic, took up their use "under the auspices of the Association." The question is sure to come up at the next convention, and the more thought given the subject by all members before that time, the better.

Two interesting articles on the subject of liquor appeared in the April and May numbers of the American Maga-
A cigarette. The first is "When is a Man Drunk?" The second, "Can you Drink Beer without feeling it?" Both articles are by Edwin F. Bowers, M. D., and are the result, or rather the compilation, of some of the results of investigations carried on by eminent scientists.

These two articles are not only very interesting but give good proof that not only moderate drinking decreases the efficiency of a man, both physically and mentally, but the harmless beer not only has no food value, as is often maintained, but it has a stupefying effect more dangerous than many stronger drinks.

Many will say, "That is all right for liquor, but tobacco doesn't hurt me much, if at all. If you are going to legislate against tobacco, you had better put tea and coffee in the list also." There must, however, be a line drawn somewhere, and from personal experience I would draw it after rather than before tobacco. Dr. David Starr Jordan, one of theBEST speakers and writers on the question of temperance and right living, said one evening to the members of the Association: "Do not use anything that will cause your nerves to be untruthful to your brain." He went on to say that, smoking a cigar gave you the sense of well-being when you were not well; that your nerves should tell you when you are ill so that the trouble might be rectified. Instead of that the nerves, under the influence of narcotics, say that things are all right, and the trouble, unrepaired, gets worse.

An Association whose avowed purpose is the attaining of "the highest well-being through the adoption of those truths," etc., can not but discontinue the use of anything which cuts down the efficiency and usefulness of its members. An action should be taken by the Convention that should leave no room for doubt that the members of the Association are expected to discontinue the use of tobacco. At the same time, a hard and fast rule; "thou shalt not use tobacco" would be very unwise, for a habit of several years' standing is apt to be a tenacious thing, and is not to be taken too lightly by those who are not so en-
-Cumbered, or too seriously by those who are. Contrary to a somewhat prevalent notion, a man is not made much superior to his fellows because he is elected to membership in the Association, or happened to be a charter member. He should, of course, have somewhat greater ability, but it is a somewhat curious thing that the ablest are the least able to control their personal habits.  

-- Wm. H. Cone.

DONT BARTER BROXIES!

Last Convention the Association adopted the following resolution, which merely crystallizes a sentiment which should become dynamic.

"Resolved that Telluride Association recognizes attendance upon annual conventions to be an essential element of active trusteeship on the part of every Association member. That, if the attendance must be by proxy, it is the part of every constituent to see that he is truly represented by his proxy by means of careful selection of said proxy and adequate instructions on matters which it can be foreseen will come before the convention."

To be represented at Convention by proxy by one whose general attitude toward the Association affairs does not agree with your own manifestly does you an injustice. To be represented by one whose part in the Convention has been or is expected to be, as per usual, silent and unactive is also doing you an injustice because it reflects seriously on your purpose and judgment. Broxies, in some cases, have a distinct cash value and when bestowed on men who are to receive expense money on the basis of them, should be given to the men who will do most to crystallize your ideas and promote the work of the Convention. Avoid giving the man whose part is nil, the power to stop progressions.
At our Conventions we want everyone to be present, or in lieu thereof, we want the men who are willing to attack our problems seriously, and are capable of intelligent judgment.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR CONVENTION ACTION.

The three following suggestions, made in previous numbers of the News Letter, are worthy of consideration at the coming Convention:

1. There is a dissatisfaction with the present judiciary. A more highly organized judiciary is needed with powers confined to interpreting the Constitution and the acts of conventions. (S. S. Wallace)

2. Because of the facilities offered by the News Letter in making official announcements, the Convention should declare the News Letter the official organ of the Association, and publication, the same, should constitute notification as required by the Constitution. (R. R. Lamb)

3. Each year a number of reports are printed as part of the minutes of the Convention, printed after adjournment. This is too late for the reports to be most effective. It would be well to have them printed before the Convention meets, and ready to put into the hands of members as soon as read at the Convention. (Dean E. A. Thornhill)

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ADDITIONAL LOAD FOR BEAVER.

Mr. A. L. Woodhouse, Manager of the Beaver River Power Co., says: "It may be of interest to the Association members to know that we have just succeeded in closing a three year contract for 100 H.P. with the Horn Silver Mining Co., at Frisco, Utah; that we have, during April, taken on a sixty-five horsepower load."
for the Paldma Mining Company, and a thirty-five horsepower load for the Chaff Mining Company, the former beginning service on the tenth and the latter on the eighteenth inst.

THE ALUMNI'S PART.

It has been suggested many times that the Alumni take a larger part in the affairs of the Association.

From what I know of the evolution of Telluride Association, I have no doubt that one of its important goals is the attainment of efficient, self-government. Self-government in the broadest sense. Self-government which, acting on the impulse from within, with careful and wise consideration of the conditions and influences from without, guided by the Association records and traditions, works toward the living expression of the ideals of its being. Self-government which will strive to permit "the instinct within it that reaches and towers" to "climb to a soul."

When our constitution was drawn, and that portion of it relating to self-government formulated, the chief aim was not, as many seem to believe, the development of the individual by imposing responsibility upon him, but rather the safeguarding of the institution itself. The members of the Constitutional Convention considered carefully and from every angle the desirability of allowing the graduate members or alumni to voice in its government, and wisely decided that the entire government should rest in the active membership. It was apparent to them that the lack of experience of the young men who would compose the active membership of the Association when tempered by their high ideals, loyalty and ambition left them more fit to shape the destiny of the organization than the more mature graduate members or alumni, whose contact with the sordid commercial world had probably dulled their ideals, diverted their loyalty, and blunted their ambitions.
Therefore, I believe the more the Alumni participate in the actual affairs of the Association, the less help they will be. As I see it, the Alumni can really help only in two ways. By the location of material for the Association to feed on, and by the establishment of a protectorate to prevent sordid commercialism from stealing its prestige.

Every Alumni who desires to be of benefit to the Association should have an intimate knowledge of its affairs and the best way to gain this knowledge is by being present at the Conventions.

--- R. P. Fairbanks.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1915-16.

To date we have collected interest and dividends to the amount of approximately $25,562.44, 3½ year 31, which date is the end of our fiscal year; the accrued dividends and interest will amount to $7,528.30, but will not be actually collected until the latter part of June and in the forepart of July. This our income for the year 1915-16 will amount to approximately $33,092.34, forming the basis for calculating the amount that will be available for appropriation by the 1916 Convention.

Since last Convention all of the Beaver River Power Company notes owned by the Association have been collected and the money placed on deposit at the Citizens Savings & Trust Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

We have purchased to date eight per cent, notes of the Utah Lake Irrigation Company to the amount of $70,000.00.

We have sold all of the Utah Securities Corporation notes and realized a profit therefrom of $7,837.40, the same being an accretion to the Trust Fund. In addition the Association realized for income account $10,787.50 interest during the time it owned said notes.
Last November we sold our holdings in the First National Bank of Telluride and realized a profit of $9,000.00, same being an accretion to the trust fund.

H. V. Hoyt has paid his note of $200.00 in full and E. P. Bacon paid $500.00 on his note leaving a balance of $500.00.

--- W. H. Biersach.

BEAVER STUDENT BODY GOVERNMENT JUSTIFIED.

In a recent number of the News Letter there appeared a short article which suggested that perhaps something should be done at the coming convention about the form of branch government provided for by the By-Laws of Telluride Association. The article evidently was written with the fact in view that Beaver had formed a new student body organization instead of adhering to the official branch organization as had been the wish of some of the officials of the Association.

It was not the purpose of the Beaver student body to ignore the wishes of these officials or to attempt to revolutionize the official form of government. It was merely to meet the demands for a more efficient organization that the present one was formed. A review of the facts would probably be of interest to those who have the matter in mind.

At the beginning of the year, Beaver Branch of Telluride Association was reorganized. There were at that time five association men and five applicants present. One of the association men was appointed branch executive and another became president, thereby leaving but three votes to govern the destinies of ten men. The branch executive had no power as a majority was also a two-thirds vote; hence carrying a motion was equivalent to overruling any objections which he might have to it.

Another objection raised was that there perhaps might be men among the applicants who were superior
mentally and who could show more ability in the administration of the Branch than the voters themselves. It therefore seemed unavoidable to keep them down just because they were applicants. On the question of voters alone it became obvious that the Branch could not be successful. A third objection was the lack of authority. The Branch charter gave authority for the control of Branch property and the conduct of members, but as far as Beaver River Power Company's property was concerned, nothing could be said. The quarters and other buildings were under the supervision of the superintendent, and what authority the student body held was given them by him. This was not the best way to promote democracy and obtain high efficiency.

With the arrival of the fellows from "Elise," matters were somewhat improved, although two of the Beaver members left at that time. The Branch was now composed of seven members and eleven applicants, and an efficient organization was necessary. Mr. Mum suggested a government modeled after the plan used at Olinsted, and, accordingly, a committee was appointed to look into the matter. Authority to back up such an organization was first sought both from Beaver River Power Company and from Telluride Association. The power company readily gave the required authority under certain conditions, namely: that the student body take over the boarding houses and prohibit the use of tobacco and alcoholic liquors. Mr. Nightingale, however, refused to grant any such authority in behalf of Telluride Association and by so doing made it impossible for the organization to be officially connected with the Association.

The authority being obtained from the power company, the constitution was drawn up and accepted by the student body. It went into effect immediately.

The new constitution provided means for avoiding some of the evils of the old charter. Every man could vote and there was but one restriction to every one's holding office. This occurred in the trial board which was to be composed of three men at least one of whom had to be an Association member. The care of property was given over to the student body and the boarding
house management was intrusted to its care. Everyone was made to feel that something depended on him to help make the new government a success, and in justice to each one of the fellows, it should be said that everyone has attempted to do his share. There is, of course, in most organizations laziness and indifference but, despite this it can be truthfully said that the new government has proved a success.

Whether or not the matter should be taken up by the Convention must be left to the will of the majority, but it most assuredly seems as if something should be done to remedy a plan of branch government which was never designed for conditions as they are at the commercial branches. It is to the advantage of all bodies of men who are members of, or applicants for membership in Telluride Association, to be officially connected with it by means of their organization. But when this official connection interferes with their internal affairs and does not promote their highest well being, it should either be broken or conditions so altered that it can be maintained with advantage to both organizations.

--- H. H. Bathrop.

NEW ADDRESSES.

W. S. Bird,

E. F. Daly, Telluride Realty Co., Salt Lake City.

Peter Distel, W. 55th St. Hospital, Cleveland, O.

W. J. Farrer; Provo, Utah.

J. H. Tucker, c/o Caulman & Coleman, Provo, Utah.

E. W. Shook; Provo, Utah.

C. V. Johnson, c/o Telluride Assn., Ithaca, N.Y.


**NEWS LETTER STATEMENT**

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**HERE WE SHOULD STAND.**

The following purports to be the gist of a talk delivered before the Cornell Branch by Dr. Loew of Oxford University, England, just before taking his departure.

"I have been with you now for three weeks; and feel that I know you. It is as one of you,"
as a friend very much interested in the Association, that I want to talk. Coming as I have from a foreign country, after having been away from Cornell seven years, I believe that I have some perspective by which to judge and consequently the right to compare the Cornell of today with the Cornell of my undergraduate days. I believe that Cornell has advanced, but I believe that Cornell can advance more, and that your Association is in a position to further that advancement.

There is a strong likeness between your Association and the honor colleges at Oxford University. The honor colleges reserve the right to choose their men. They have as students not those men who can pass an ordinary examination, easy or hard, according to their abilities, but who choose to pass a more difficult examination whereby they are made eligible to the honor colleges. They are the men who expect to work while they go to school, not those who come to spend four years of easy, sociale life at college. After they have passed the examinations they may choose any of the honor colleges such as Balliol or Corpus Christi. Balliol is the most popular college; men usually choose it, and if it is not full, they are admitted. Your Association works somewhat similarly. Only men are sent to Cornell who intend to work, those who may be sent and who do not intend to work are soon dropped out. You are working for things intellectual.

Another respect in which you resemble honor colleges is in your chances for entertainment and sociability. In Oxford each man has two rooms, a bedroom and a sitting room. Here he may entertain his guests at breakfast -- breakfast is a usual time for entertainment in England, though not the most formal -- at luncheon or at tea. Here he can bring two friends whom he wishes to meet each other and can thus work up a web of sociability and friendship. In the 'Hall' he has ample opportunity for meeting his fellows and can always live on an easy footing of friendship.

It is far different at Cornell. Here, if a man does not belong to a fraternity or an Association such as yours, his opportunities in this respect are ex-
seedlingly meager. I heard Professors Titchener and Burr saying the other day that some men spend whole years here before they find someone to whom they can say more than 'hello', or with whom they can go for a walk. The Association is especially good in the chances it gives its men to make acquaintances. It more nearly approaches the honor college than any other institution I know at Cornell.

Now, gentlemen, there is just one more thing I want to say. With your advantages here, in choosing your men especially, I want to suggest that you start a tradition for which you are so well prepared. Cornell has plenty of physical striving; it needs more intellectual striving. I want you to act in such a way that when something of real intellectual worth is done at Cornell, your friends outside can say, 'I'm sure it was done by a Telluride man.' Or when they hear that a Telluride man has won a scholastic honor that they will say, 'why, that's not surprising. Telluride men usually do win these honors.' Just as they now say, when a Balliol man wins an honor in England, 'Of course a Balliol man did it; they have been doing it for a great many years.'

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**CORNELL BRANCH,**

The arrival of Spring was the only important event in Ithaca, during the month just past.

Other happenings follow:

Carroll Whitman represented the Cornell Ethical Club at the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the Ethical Culture Institute, in New York City.

During the month we have had the pleasure of entertaining Messrs. Winship, Bates, Noble, Reich, Calloway Lake, Stone and Davis, all of whom have an interest in becoming members of Telluride Association. Most of the boys are already applicants.
The Sanctum Sanctorum of the News Letter has been overcast with gloom for over three weeks because of the absence of our Associate-spiller-of-ink, Mr. Grandy was given thirty days for having taken Scarlet Fever. A pretty hard sentence for the first offence.

'Keet' Cote has an apology to make the Undertakers of Ithaca. He was operated on for appendicitis over three weeks ago. Peritonitis set in and for several days his recovery was despaired of, but we are now quite relieved for he is coming out very well. We expect to have him out of the infirmary in two or three weeks.

'Capt' Kinney of the News Letter is now a commissioned officer of the Cornell Army.

Macae Parker has been elected a member of the Social Service League Council of Ithaca. He is now among the grown-ups in social service work.

Professor H. L. Hess of the Department of Machine Design died on April 22nd, 1916. Professor and Mrs. Hess have been close friends of the Cornell Branch. Accordingly, the Branch sent flowers to his funeral, which occurred in Philadelphia.

O. R. Clark and R. R. Lamb have been elected to the editorial board of the Cornell Law Quarterly.

W. D. Johnston has been elected a member of the Eta Kappa Nu, the Honorary Electrical Society.
Oscar V. Johnson is now with us, and will probably remain a couple of weeks.

We are just recovering from a Spring Day party. As guests we had with us Miss Anne Parker and Miss Mary La Follette, of Washington; Miss Stafford, of Cleveland; Mrs. Pearson, of New York; Miss Schroeder, from Ohio; Miss Lowery, of Rochester; Mrs. R. J. Hayward, Miss Bess Hayward and Miss Nellie Pugsley, of Salt Lake City.

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PERSONAL ITEMS.

We have learned that Chas. Pitzer has left New York to resume his position as Manager of the Colina Electric Light & Power Company.

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'Leg' Daly is again peddling Federal Heights in Salt Lake.

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Dean Thornhill writes us that Cary Gray has left Boise for Chicago, expecting to go on to Annapolis to enter the Naval Academy.

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Peter Dietzel is suffering from an acute case of rheumatism, being confined in the East 55th Street Hospital, at Cleveland, Ohio.

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The Chancellor has announced the receipt of a gift of $500.00 from Mr. J. R. Nutt, of Cleveland, toward the year's expenses.
"Jenny" Moore reports as follows:

"I am now on the profit sharing list of the Ford Motor Company’s employees, which means I am remunerated for my services at $5.00 per each item that I labor ("a"). In addition I am promoted to the position of Service Cashier of the Milwaukee Branch. You might think that was great, but it is fast driving me crazy.

"Mr. Bill Moore, now attending Green Bay High School, took a try at an Annapolis exam a couple of weeks ago just to see what he could do to it and when the returns were all in he was appointed second alternate.

"(*All my creditors better read this twice)"

Mr. P. J. Wight advised us as follows:

*I anticipate being married the 15th of June, in Salt Lake, to Miss Lillie Nelson, of Richfield, Utah, and that sometime later we will be at home at Richfield. Will be glad to have any of the members of the Association call upon us who may visit that city."


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BEAVER BRANCH.

After a short visit of ten or twelve days, Dean Thornhill took his departure on March 19th. He stopped in Beaver a few hours and gave the students of Harrick Academy a short address on ‘Efficiency.’

On March 19th we played our first game of tennis. On the 29th of the same month ‘Prof’ Jones and Ed. Nashan entertained Harrick Academy with songs and readings.

When a mysterious odor of gasoline infested the camp it was discovered, after investigation, that Mr. Diehl had invested $499.55 in a new Ford. We suppose the sixty-five cents to be for the extra tires that came with the car. On April 11th, Mr. Diehl and family started for Provo on a three weeks vacation. During his absence Fournier acted as superintendent.

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The Croft Mine situated near Minersville signed up for several horsepower. As the line to Minersville was single phase, it was necessary to string a third wire to the Croft property. Lathrop and Fournier were called out to assist with this work.

The resignation of Ross as Steward was accepted at a Student Body meeting on the 13th. Percy Clark was elected to fill the vacancy. Just a week later Mr. Woodhouse paid us a short visit, coming over from Milford in his new Buick. He left for Richfield the same evening, accompanied by Mr. Jones.

The Senior Ball, at Murdoch, occurred just at the time we were having our spring vacation. Several of the fellows attended. On the following evening another dance was given which was attended by the remainder of the fellows. The same day Ed. Meehan left for Salt Lake to attend Easter services.

Lathrop, riding the Fish Creek line on the 29th, met 'Prof' Jones at the top of Indian Creek Divide. 'Prof' was coming back from Richfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Noon, George Halliday and Bert Scott came down from Provo to spend a few days with us. Professor Halliday, 'Eruilibrist,' conducted a class in balancing during his stay. The party left for Provo by way of Richfield on the 29th.

May Day was celebrated this year by entertaining Murdoch Academy, the students of which paid us their annual visit.


STANFORD BRANCH.

By the time this number of the News Letter is out, everything will be over at Stanford, commencement having taken place on the 22nd of May.
The following men will receive degrees:

James Tucker, J. D., in Law;
J. A. Shepard, A. B., Engineering;
G. P. Ferris, A. B., Entomology.

The whereabouts of most of the men during the summer is at present writing indefinite.

Ferris will spend the summer in Utah, as will probably Bird. G. P. Ferris will put in the summer in the National Museum at Washington, the American Museum at New York, and the Field Museum at Chicago, in the interests of the Entomology Department of Stanford, leaving for the east the 1st of June.

Final grades for the semester are not known, but will apparently be pretty good as everyone is getting out of most of their exams. Ferris was recently elected to Sigma Xi, the Scientific Honor Society.

The Stamford Branch of Telluride Association is unanimously of the opinion that a centralization of the students attending universities under the auspices of the Association is desirable in the interests of efficiency. It is our belief that the men should be concentrated at Cornell or, at the most, Cornell and one other school. While it is of course our opinion that Stanford is that other school, we admit that there exist grounds for debate on the question.

We are all strongly in favor of Branches at two colleges in different sections of the country, and of having enough men at the second school to permit the establishing of a strong Branch and if possible, the renting of a house. The chief reason for our belief in the desirability of such a Branch lies in the possibility for the interchange of men. It is our belief that when possible a man should spend say two years in an eastern school and two years in a western school, or vice versa, the shifting being for the purpose of preventing, or at least ameliorating, the provincialism that has a tendency to appear when one absorbs too much of the atmosphere of a single institution. We commend this idea to the consideration of the Association.
SCHOLASTIC REPORT.

Since this is the last Beaver report for the 1915-16 News Letter, it has been deemed appropriate to present, only briefly, some sort of a general summary of the year's work. It will be remembered that last September there were two separate branches; one at Bliss and the other here at Beaver. Both Branches commenced school work on the 23rd of the month, the former under Janal and the latter under Jones. But for the arrival of Sweeney in early October, the membership of the Beaver Branch was complete at the very outset. Clark, Curtis, Dunn, Draper, McGarty, Maneke, and Whitney comprised the Branch. The Bliss Branch, on the contrary, took more than two weeks in assembling. By the 7th of October it consisted of eight men; viz., Fruit, Lathrop, McHale, Nashan, Osgerby, Pollock, Ross and Schotte. The arrival of Electric Investment Co. Operators, however, necessitated the transfer of the Branch to Beaver, the change being completely carried out between the dates October 31st and November 5th. The enlarged Beaver Branch now had a membership of sixteen, Sweeney having left shortly before the arrival of the Bliss men, and Fournier having come in with them. This number was maintained up to mid-January, at which time Schotte left for Los Angeles.

Beaver Branch, then, as finally constituted, really dates from November 5th, 1915. Classes under the new arrangement commenced on the 3rd. The subjects offered included English; Algebra, Geometry, German, Latin, and Trigonometry, some of them in advanced as well as in elementary courses. Lathrop was given charge of the intermediate Algebra and the Trigonometry classes, a work which he has handled very satisfactorily. Three courses have already been completed; English Grammar, intermediate Algebra and plane Geometry.

The inauguration and reasonably successful application of self-government must undeniably remain the greatest achievement of the year, but those, perhaps, do not properly come under scholastic considerations. Unusual importance has this year been attached to the reading
and discussion of good books, to public speaking, and to a consideration of the topics comprising the 1916 examination for applicants to the Association; and it is believed that unusually good results have been attained in these phases of the year's work.

The plan of a medium sized branch under two instructors has, it is thought, succeeded so well that it is recommended that it subsist entirely, until a central branch is established, the former plan of two small branches under one instructor each. If school work is to continue here next fall it is further recommended that the facilities for study be increased. Present one small table has to suffice for from two to four members, the class-room being in use most of the time, and the living room in the quarters building being far from a quiet place for study.

-- C. O. Jendal.

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We are grieved to announce the death of Judge Whitteotton. His death came suddenly on May 31st. As the foremost lawyer in the southern part of Utah, as the father of one of our members and one of our applicants, and as a genial, helpful friend of the Association and of many members of the Association personally, his passing will be widely mourned.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACT OF THE LAST CONVENTION, THE 1916 CONVENTION WILL MEET IN PROVO, UTAH, THURSDAY, JUNE TWENTIETH, AT ELEVEN A. M. THE OFFICIAL NOTICE TO THIS EFFECT HAS BEEN SENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO HAVE A QUORUM IN PROVO WHEN THE MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER ON FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE TWENTIETH.