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Scholarships for Wellman, Reinhardt, Zalinski

Harvey Wellman was selected as Rhodes Scholar from the state of New York. Harvey, who hails from Perry, is in his fourth year at Cornell, having received state cash and tuition scholarships during the past three years. In his first year as a guest of Cornell Branch, he is pursuing his studies in first year law.

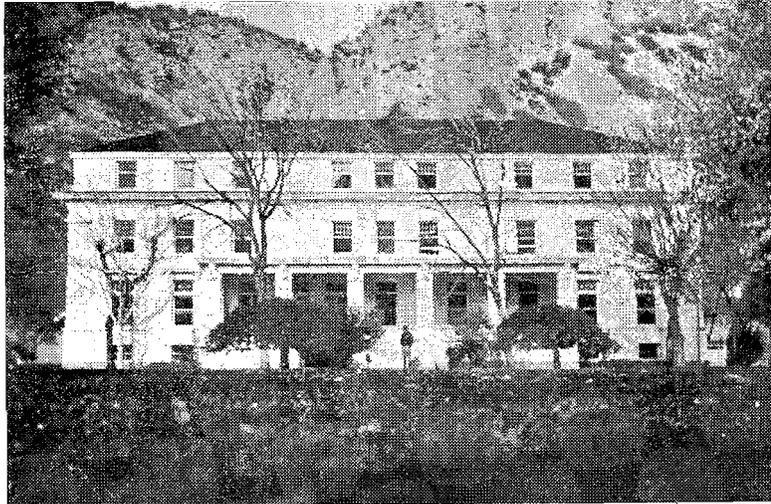
G. Frederick Reinhardt is now studying in the Alfieri Institute in Florence, Italy. With no post open in the foreign service, he took advantage of the fellowship, offered by the University of Florence, to continue his studies there during the spring months. Fred attended Deep Springs, received his A. B. degree from the University of California, and then received his M. A. at Cornell while a member of the Association. Last year found him with the staff of the International Boundary Commission at El Paso, Texas. He returned to the House this autumn to continue his studies in international relations and government, and was elected president of Cornell Branch. After this spring in Italy he will probably enter the American Foreign Service, having received notification of his eligibility for appointment in December.

Edmund L. G. Zalinski, former student at Deep Springs and guest at Cornell Branch last year, has been granted a regional alumni scholarship at Harvard and began in the Graduate School of Business Administration this semester.

Chet Dunn has bought out his partner in Davis and Dunn, one of the largest real estate firms in San Francisco.

THE DEPARTURE of Fred Reinhardt for Italy left the Branch in need of a new President. Bonham Campbell has been elected to the post; and Ralph Kleps has been named to take Campbell's position on the Advisory Committee.

Red Roofs and White Walls at Olmsted



Repairs and rejuvenation of buildings at Olmsted are described in a letter from Daniel H. Beck, whose picture of the Quarters Building is printed above.

The buildings at Olmsted have been painted, with white walls and red roofs the general scheme. Beck writes: "No doubt when you try to picture such a transition your first impression will be an undesirable one, but I am quite sure if you could see the old place today you would concur with the majority of us (who were skeptical at first) that the red roofs and white walls have performed a miracle.

"I am informed (but not authentically) that the lower floor of the Quarters Building will be made into a sort of recreation center which will be available to clubs, social organizations and conventions. It may be that certain members of the Association are still thinking of holding a convention at Olmsted. If such is the case I am quite sure that the powers that be will be glad to contribute the use of the old Home.

"The Boarding House, Kitchen, and Office Building have been dismantled. A model all-electric cottage located just west of the Boarding House site now occupies the old Picnic Grounds.

"For the past year we have been very busy on extensive repairs at the Old Olmsted Station."

Levering and Sibbett Seek Branch Site

Early in the Christmas vacation, Morgan Sibbett and Sam Levering, of the Committee on New Branch and Endowment, spent two days in investigating possible sites for an orchard-farm-school in the Hudson Valley region. This is one of the older apple-growing districts in New York state, and is well suited for the growing of marketable varieties of apples. The temperate climate there and proximity to metropolitan markets are favorable features.

The trip uncovered several promising individual sites and a good many excellent districts which will bear further examination. Valuable contacts were made with growers and appraisers who know this region well and who are able to give good advice now and in the future. Through these men the committee can learn of suitable properties which are for sale,

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THE SECOND term at Cornell begins, leaving behind a Cornell Branch scholastic average that sets a new high for recent years. With a number above ninety, one being above ninety-five, the House average is computed at 86.9.

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Professor Burr, continuing to enjoy his work at Philadelphia, writes to the Cornell Branch: "I am sorry not to have spent with you my eightieth birthday; but I am immensely glad to have escaped the feast which it might have brought with it. Though other joys attach to life in Philadelphia beside that of escaping feasts, I shall be back with you as soon as ever I can. Meanwhile I seem to myself to grow constantly stronger and greatly enjoy my work."

L. Brandenburger is Branch Manager for the Wagner Electric Corporation of St. Louis and District Representative for some other eastern manufacturers. He writes: "My oldest daughter Jacqueline is married and I am the proud grandfather of a three-year-old girl and a one-year-old boy. Leo Jere entered the engineering department of the University of Utah this fall and is preparing himself for aeronautical engineering."

Wallace D. Carr, who was one of the early Cornell Branch members and a Constitutional member of the Association, writes of his activities during the past few years: "In 1911 I went to work for the L. W. Zimmerman Brokerage Company in Chicago. Within a year I opened a Memphis office for that Company and in 1915 opened a Dallas office for that Company and was at that time admitted to partnership. The war years were fairly kind to us and in 1921 we bought Zimmerman's interest in this company, since which time we have admitted five other employees to partnerships. I have lived most of the past twenty-one years in Dallas. However I have operated practically every one of our offices; so I have seen a little of the country."

Harvey S. Gerry and J. A. Whitecotton got together at a Cornell dinner in December to keep up the activities of the Paris Chapter of Telluride Association.

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W. H. French Writes

Walter H. French, former graduate of Cornell Branch, is in the Department of English at Cornell. He writes: "In the last four years, I have acquired a wife and daughter, and am trying to acquire a house in which to keep them. Though very much in the suburbs of Ithaca, it is not beyond reach; and we hope that returning alumni will be curious enough at least to ride past; in fact, if they will let me know a few days in advance, I'll see that the grass is cut that week.

"The rest of my activities come under the heads of work and going to work. I still try to add to the ideas and chasten the styles of the young. I still read books that, so the Library records indicate, have not been so treated in years. I still project works in five volumes, though I haven't got around to dying in the middle of the first. This sequence is sometimes pleasantly interrupted by unplanned sidewalk interviews with Dick Roberts, Morgan Sibbett, Harry Caplan, and George Sabine. I hate to think how infrequent these have been, and have resolved not to leave them wholly to chance hereafter.

"Since my first acquaintance with the members of the Association, I have looked over a good many students—as many as 119 in one term—and have thought with varying proportions of satisfaction and desperation about what should be done for them. I feel increasingly sure of one thing: that the Association is on the right track, and is carrying on a work that is not merely creditable, or interesting in an experimental sense, but excellent by any standards whatever. I have always been proud of my connection with this group, and my pride strengthens with time, even though because of procrastination and inertia, I don't do much to show it."

A small group attended a dinner at the Clift Hotel in San Francisco on January 18. Those attending were Bob Aird, Ned Boyd, Wayne Clark, Chet Dunn, Don Falconer, Henry Hayes, Eliot Marr, Father Meehan, and E. M. Johnson. After dinner the group moved over to Henry Hayes' home and spent the evening before the fireplace.

Oliver Biersach is associated with E. A. Boyd in the Thorsen Tool Company in San Francisco.

Deep Springs Students Dig for Water

(by Robert Sproull)

After the severely cold weather during the month of January, we were not at all surprised to find on the last day of the month that the pipes leading into the main building and the lower ranch were completely frozen. The situation was clearly an emergency, and a Student Body meeting was called at which it was decided to suspend classes for a week in order to clear the piping system of ice. Everyone on the ranch was wielding a pick and shovel or in some way contributing to the work project. In two days we had water to the main building and the boarding house, and at the end of a week we had water to the lower ranch. Classes were resumed and the ranch is once again in working order.

Altogether we dug over a half-mile of trench, for the most part in frozen ground, and thawed by wood-and-oil fires the pipes thus uncovered. The emergency was adequately met by willing workers, and all individual differences were forgotten in the face of work to be done. In spite of working at high speed and in close contact with each other, only one injury occurred, and that not a serious one. Dick Keigley was struck by a pick, causing a flesh wound which, though painful, was not serious.

There has been over a foot of snow on the ground in the valley since Christmas vacation. For a week we were completely snowed in, and for the previous two weeks the mail was able to get through only two or three times. The cattle had difficulty in finding feed, and some have been taken to rented pasture in Owens Valley. Our new truck will haul hay from Fish Lake Valley to the remainder of the herd. The cow shelter built by the students last fall has protected our dairy herd during the severe weather.

The members of the faculty have been living in the main building since the first of the year. Cold weather made attempts to heat the faculty cottages certainly uneconomical and during the unusually severe period quite impossible. While the resulting crowding caused a certain amount of inconvenience, the group solidarity in the face of an emergency proved to

Two Guests Invited as Branch Opens New Semester

Goldwin Smith, a guest of Cornell Branch during last year, is again at the House for the second term. He is continuing his graduate work in English History, and plans to receive his Ph.D. in the spring.

William Theodore Prescott enters the House as a guest for the second term. He is a junior in the College of Agriculture, having transferred this autumn from the University of Nebraska.

Guests of Cornell Branch since the Christmas holidays include: Mr. S. K. Ratcliffe, English publicist and correspondent; Mr. Ralph Bates, English novelist of Spanish life, who is now commander of the British Brigade aiding the Loyalists; Mr. C. N. Whitman; Mr. Paul Reynau, former Association member, now head of the Employment Bureau of the Cornell Club in New York; Miss Anna Louise Strong, editor of the American edition of the *Moscow Daily News*; Mr. Samuel Levering; Mr. Warren Allen, Stanford University chapel organist; Ted Jarrett; Harvey Wellman's father Mr. Clarke Wellman and Donald Wellman; John W. Olmstead, returning to U. C. L. A. to resume his duties as assistant professor of history.

Earle B. Henley spoke in the Eastman Stage and Rice Debate Stage contests, presented before Farm and Home Week crowds. Robert Gorrell

was elected to membership in Book and Bowl, John Niederhauser is serving as chairman of the Cornell Committee for Spanish Aid, Fred H. Bullen and Harry Scott received active membership in the Cornell Cosmopolitan Club, and Harry Scott was elected to active membership in the Cornell Debate Association.

The House basketball team remains undefeated in the interfraternity competition. The team, composed of John deBeers, John Niederhauser, Harry Scott, Bob Boochever, Robert Gorrell, Ted Prescott, Robert Rust, and Harvey Wellman, recently defeated one of the leading contenders for the title and now has its eyes upon the next few games of the league series.

Bruce Netschert, Paul Swatek and Harry Scott appeared in the Junior Week production of the Cornell Musical Clubs, *Life Begins at Midnight*. The color and gaiety of the skit, a travesty on college life, were equaled by the Junior Week audience, garbed in appropriate dress for the Junior Prom to follow.

Thomas S. Dunham is now spending his evenings in the offices of the *Cornell Daily Sun*, having entered the competitions for editorial positions.

Cornell Branch entertained with an informal dinner-dance, the evening of February 6th. Orville Sweeting was present for the occasion.

be very salutary for faculty and students alike.

Chancellor Johnson of the Association was here for several weeks, giving lectures on the drama and teaching a course in etymology. Johnny made the most of a difficult situation and helped with the picking and shoveling in our efforts to thaw pipes. While here he roomed with Armand Kelly.

Dean Kimpton is leaving the last part of February for the East, to meet with Chancellor Johnson at Ithaca and obtain an early selection of new men for Deep Springs. He hopes to choose men before scholarships have committed them to other institutions, and thus prevent recurrence of regrettable losses of good men in the past.

The Student Body is working on quite a number of projects this spring. The Lecture Committee is continuing its work in aiding the Dean

in selecting lecturers and providing for their entertainment. The Applications and New Faculty Committees are explained by their names. Another committee is working out a long-term plan for redecorating the main building. We are also reviving the system of student drivers for ranch cars and securing another estimate of the cost of installing an oil-fired steam heating system. The committees are all under the direct supervision of the entire Student Body; monthly reports are made to remedy the former lack of interest by the Body in the work of its committees.

Dr. E. A. Lowe, who has been a guest of Cornell Branch several times and is known by many members of the Association, is now Professor of Paleography in the Princeton Institute for Advanced Study. Dr. Lowe expects to return to his post at Oxford in May.

T. A. Weddings

Miss Ruth Bentley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bentley of Jamestown, N. Y., and Morgan Sibbett, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Sibbett, were married February 2 at Jamestown. Mrs. Sibbett graduated from the Department of Fine Arts at Cornell in 1936. Morgan, who was a resident at Cornell Branch last semester, graduated from Cornell's College of Engineering in 1934 and then spent two years at Oxford as a Rhodes scholar. Mr. and Mrs. Sibbett left immediately after the ceremony for the West coast, where Morgan is employed by the Standard Oil Company of California. They may be reached at their temporary address at 1020 Union St., San Francisco.

Miss Helen Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Carl Hunt, and Association Member Frederick S. Laise were married Saturday, February 20, at the Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church in Washington. Fred is employed by Alex Brown & Sons investment company in Washington.

Miss Jane Seymour Van Meter, daughter of Mrs. Seymour Doss Van Meter and Charlton Hinman, former resident of Cornell Branch, were married November 9, 1936. Hinman, who has been at Oxford as a Rhodes scholar, has accepted a fellowship in English at the University of Virginia at Charlottesville.

Miss Adya Baratinsky, daughter of Mrs. Sonya Baratinsky, and Drayton Bryant, son of Lieut. Comm. and Mrs. Stewart Bryant of Stanford University, were married on New Year's Day. Mrs. Bryant was educated in Moscow and came to America several years ago. Drayton, a former Deep Springs student, is a graduate of Stanford University and is planning graduate work at Columbia.

G. F. Ferris, now at the Department of Entomology of Stanford University, is preparing a large piece of work entitled "*Atlas of the scale insects of North America.*" The first part of it, about one-seventh of the total, was published about the first of January by the Stanford University Press. It is a continuous work which will extend over a period of several years. Ferris published more than a hundred pamphlets during the period from 1915-1928, and has issued many more in the last few years.

Lee G. Davy, living in Kingsport, Tennessee, where he is employed by the Tennessee Eastman Corporation, sends greetings from the South: "Our family numbers four. The second son is named George after his paternal grandfather. Nevil has been attending kindergarten and will start school in September, 1938. He prospers in this southern clime, and in spite of our efforts, and partly owing to his contact with our maid, his talk smacks of the east Tennessee mountains. It is our devout hope, however, that he will not acquire a taste for the mountaineer way of life. The way they treat their women has not been seriously exaggerated in the comic press, while their consumption of chewing tobacco and corn liquor far exceeds that of shoes and soap.

"Our location to the west of the mountains gives us a climate not much different than that of Ithaca, with the exception that our winters are about ten degrees warmer. We find it quite pleasant. The town in which we live is growing rapidly, and we look for a considerable easing of the housing situation within the next year or two. Opportunity for enjoyment of the arts scarcely exists.

"Our company continues to expand. I have been made Chief Chemist of our Hydroquinone Division, and now direct the research carried out by that division of the company. My work consists of the conception and development of new processes for the manufacture of organic chemicals allied with or derived from hydroquinone, and of improving our present processes. The new job represents a considerable promotion and we are very much pleased."

Dr. Otis G. Whitecotton became Director of the Stanford University Hospital on February 1. Whitecotton, specially interested in hospital administration, has for several months worked for the American College of Surgeons. Much of his training has been under the direction of one of the outstanding hospital administrators in the country.

Cy Ross is on his eighth year with the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific, with headquarters in San Francisco.

P. N. Warneke is Field Manager for the International Harvester in the Northern California District.

Wayne Edminster, working for the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, has been busy during the past year correlating design and operating data and methods. He has just edited a technical data book for one of the laboratories and other departments and for subsidiary and associated plants. He has also published articles during the last year: one in the September *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry* and another in the November 5 *Oil and Gas Journal*. He has also started a Thermodynamics Study Group as an extra-curricular activity for the men in his research laboratory.

Harold Owen has been made President of the Electrical Products Corporation which makes the Neon signs in the Pacific Coast area. Owen spends much of his time commuting up and down the Coast by plane. In his spare time he runs a 4,000-acre sheep ranch. The Owen family has moved from Oakland to Los Angeles.

Bob Falconer has been transferred from Olean to Niagara Falls by the New York Telephone Company and is installing special equipment in chemical plants located there.

Levering and Sibbett

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thus supplementing Sam Levering's valuable source of information in the branches of the Federal Land Bank.

It will be remembered by some that last year a suggested site was that in the Lake Champlain region, and it was with this location in mind that Earl Ohlinger did his work on the architectural aspect of the project. Investigations of this region by the committee are as yet incomplete. Despite reports of unfavorable winter temperatures of the last two years in the Lake Champlain district, possibilities here are by no means exhausted, and the committee will investigate further actual prospects there. According to information of some of our advisors in the Cornell College of Agriculture the past financial history of farms in the Lake Champlain region has been almost uniformly good.

Further investigations will be made in the spring, when the apple trees begin to bud and the soil is in a condition for sampling. Meanwhile the committee would welcome suggestions from any friends or members who have information to offer concerning the project.