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## DEEP SPRINGS NOTES

*By William Ross*

All indications point to an excellent year for Deep Springs. In both physical plant and personnel, the school appears to be in the best condition it has known for some time.

The improvements made this summer have nearly completed our task of making a truly comfortable home of this institution. With the installation of the heating unit in the Boarding House, our heating system, which also serves the dormitory, faculty cottages, lower ranch cottages, and the garage, has been completed. This summer, those students working at the ranch installed a water conditioning plant, which purifies and filters all of the water drawn at the upper ranch for domestic use.

As regards the farm, seldom has the outlook been so promising. With a hay stack that will possibly exceed four hundred tons, the ranch manager is confident that our stock can survive the hardest possible winter without injury. Indeed, the more optimistic are predicting that our hay crop may be in excess of four hundred and fifty tons. In addition to our alfalfa we have put up three quarters of a silo of ensilage; and we have a great deal of corn left standing in the field, upon which our cattle will be ranged this winter. Due to an extremely wet season we were able to irrigate all of our corn adequately, ensuring a good crop. We had originally planned to dry farm a big part of it.

The dairy boys are now milking fifteen cows; and although we are not selling any dairy products in town, our needs are amply met. We have four good work teams on the ranch, and the Student Body has four saddle horses as well as a colt which it is breaking. Our fall general work project will probably be the erection of a barn to house all of our horses during the winter months.

The Student Body is taking up two projects to be completed in its spare time. The first is an attempt to produce a lawn on the bare space directly in front of the dormitory. Plans for an efficient, if not elabor-

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## CORNELL BRANCH OFFICERS

President: Paul Swatek  
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Advisory Committee Members: Charles Collingwood, Austin Kiplinger  
Cat Putter: Frederick Bird

## ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

The Endowment Committee has begun its program of planning and research as directed by the last convention. Its first concern is to get information about persons who might be disposed to contribute to the endowment of Deep Springs of Telluride Association. To this end the Committee has written most of the members, alumni, and other friends of the Association asking for the names of persons we might approach sometime in the future. The Committee desires to ask any readers of the *News Letter* who did not receive its request to send us the names of any persons whom they think might be likely donors.

In addition to starting this list of prospective givers, the Committee is undertaking comprehensive studies of the needs of the Association and Deep Springs, their record of accomplishment, and the best way to conduct an endowment campaign.

Accompanying this issue of the *News Letter* is a new edition of the Telluride Directory, the work of Bob Gorrell and Mrs. Seaman, Chancellor Johnson's secretary. To keep the Directory and the *News-Letter* mailing list up-to-date the co-operation of members, alumni, and friends is necessary. It is requested that any errors or changes in address be called to the attention of the *News Letter* editors. These errata and changes will appear in these columns.

## SQUANDER OF POWER

*By Austin Kiplinger*

Those persons who believe that only through the combined action of nations can any semblance of international order be maintained have looked with distress upon the events of the past few months. Where economic sanctions could have been applied to discourage aggression, there has been, instead, the presentation of a *carte blanche* to the aggressor. In the face of almost complete disorganization of the non-fascist nations, the leader of Nazi Germany has been able to defy the nations of the world and to proceed with his plans for the domination of central Europe.

Why is it necessary to discuss this question at all? Peace is easy to have—physically very easy. We need do no more than say to the strongest power, "Take what you want" and we shall have peace. But it will not be a civilized peace, nor will it be a lasting peace, even though the nations of the world are prepared to continue to make economic concessions to the aggressor. No one who has followed the events of the last three years can be led to believe that the conquest of Czechoslovakia is the end of the Nazi trail. Hitler's goal lies beyond that sector of Czechoslovakia into which German troops have marched. Beyond lie the oil, the coal of Rumania, and the fertile agricultural lands of the Ukraine which the Nazi leader covets so dearly.

The American student, however, has no justification for a self righteous attitude towards the capitulations of Britain and France to the shouts of their German neighbor. He who, in one breath, condemns the European democracies for their share in the Munich Barter deal, and in the next breath, condones the United States' policy of complete isolation from world responsibility is guilty of that traditional American trait of "sideline courage." The American student must not forget that his own country, the United States of America, has contributed measurably to the conditions which have given rise to the colossus of fascism. He must

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## NEW BURNER INSTALLED

Shortly after the 1938 Convention it was suggested that Cornell Branch should find a substitute for the laborious task of hand-firing a coal furnace. After investigation of the possibilities and circularization of the Custodians, Bernt Ollson was authorized to sign a contract for the installation of a gas burner. Two methods of estimating the operating cost gave two answers, one of \$850 and the other of \$1100 a year. The lower estimate is thought to be the more accurate, but in view of the uncertainty the gas company offered a trial period. If after a year the Branch is not satisfied with the performance of the new burner, the installation price of approximately \$250 will be refunded, except for \$40 installation cost and \$3 per month of use. The already evident clearliness and added convenience give rise to the hope that the trial will prove satisfactory financially.

## MARRIAGES

Anderson Pace and the former Miss Ruth McDowell were married July 23, in Chicago. Andy is at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, teaching chemistry.

Morris Hayes and Miss Elizabeth Hanson were married September 3, in Scarsdale, New York. Morris was a student at Deep Springs from 1934-1936, and is at present studying for an M.D. in the Harvard Medical School. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes will live in Boston.

Robert Mansfield and Miss Virginia Johnson were married on September 6, in Seattle, Washington. The Mansfields are living at 916 East Jefferson, Bakersfield, California.

On October 8, George Sabine and Miss Jean Captain were married in Montclair, New Jersey. The Sabines are living in Rochester, where George is continuing his research work for Eastman Kodak.

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Walter Barlow spent the summer in Ithaca continuing his study of music.

Bill Bowman pinheaded at Telluride Power Company's Upper Beaver station during the summer.

Bonham Campbell remained in Ithaca and worked with the University Building and Grounds Department. Bonny graduates from the college of Electrical Engineering this June.

Vincent Cochrane did plant breeding work for the Vaughan Seed Company at Ovid, Michigan.

Charles Collingwood worked as a Field Assistant in the Monongahela Forest in West Virginia.

Tom Dunham was employed again this summer in the office of the District Purchasing Agent of the Aluminum Cooking Utensil Company at New Kensington, Pennsylvania.

Ward Goodenough remained in Ithaca and did work for the University Building and Grounds Department.

Earle Henley served as a Field Examiner for the New York State Extension Service.

Bob Gorrell worked with his father in Bremen, Indiana, returning to Ithaca August 15 to work in the Office of Public Information.

Austin Kiplinger spent the summer travelling in Europe.

Chris Morley spent his summer at home on Long Island. Chris is an assistant in English History this year.

Bruce Netschert remained in Newark, and continued with his work at Public Service Corporation of New Jersey. Bruce resumed his position as Chimesmaster on returning to school.

John Niederhauser did extension work for the New York State College of Agriculture here in New York state. He drove west to visit with his family in Palo Alto during the first part of September.

Harry Scott travelled in Europe. He went abroad as a member of the Cornell-Princeton track team which competed with the Oxford-Cambridge team at Oxford. Harry is in first year law this year.

Paul Swatek visited in Chicago and returned to Ithaca August 10 to attend surveying camp near lake Cayuta. Paul was granted a McMullen scholarship this fall.

## CORNELL BRANCH ENTERTAINMENT

Fall entertainment at the Branch has consisted of the usual informal dancing parties, the first on October 16, and the second on November 5. Sunday evening entertainments began on October 23, with a musical program—Rimsky-Korsakoff's *Scheherazade*. Saturday, December 3, has been chosen as the date for the winter formal dance. An exchange dinner with the Cosmopolitan Club was held on November 3, four men visiting each house. It is planned to continue these exchange dinners with the Cosmopolitan Club and other Fraternity houses on the hill.

Visitors at the Branch this fall have included: Dr. Philipp Frank, Professor of Theoretical Physics in the German University of Prague; Dr. Oscar Halecki, Professor of History, University of Warsaw, Poland; Dr. Harry Laidler, Socialist candidate for the United States Senate; Dr. Yin, Chinese delegate to the World Youth Congress; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Kiddoo; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith.

Cornell Branch entertained some twenty guests over the week-end of the Dartmouth game. Bob Sheridan, Jim Withrow, Don Matson, Sid Walcott, Jack Burchard, Jack deBeers, Sam Levering, Fred Laise, and John Whittle were in Ithaca for the fall meeting of the Custodians.

During the summer, two of the guest rooms were redecorated under the artistic supervision of Irvin L. Scott. Completely refurnished with new rugs, furniture, wall paper, curtains and lighting fixtures, these two rooms are expected to add materially to the comfort of guests at the Branch.

## POWER COMPANY ANNUAL PICNIC

Some two hundred employees of the Telluride Power Company gathered at the annual picnic given for them October 1, by the officials of the company. Gooseberry Park was the scene of this year's outing. Despite a short rain in the middle of the day, the 1938 party was considered one of the best ever held, and everybody enjoyed the program of sports, singing, and a few short talks. Mr. E. C. Wright, manager of the Salina office, was master of ceremonies.

**NOTES AND QUOTES**

Harold Smith, former Cornell Branch guest and ex-organist at Cornell University, is at present enrolled in the school of sacred music in the Union Theological Seminary, and is organist and choirmaster in a Brooklyn church. He is living at 600 West 122nd Street, New York City.

Duane J. Carnes was recently appointed a deputy district attorney of San Diego County, California. He will be in the civil department.

Orville Sweeting has returned to Cornell to study for a doctor's degree in chemistry. He is living with Walter Balderston at 208 Delaware Ave., in Ithaca, and reliable sources say that both are extremely happy in a tranquil domestic life that is a model of compatibility.

Ted Rust has added to the Association files a set of photographs of ten of his works. Ted teaches sculpture in the new Department of Fine Arts at the College of William and Mary in Virginia, and some of his architectural sculpture was featured in illustrations for an article in the March 1938 issue of the *Magazine of Art*.

Robley Williams has published his paper on "Spectrophotometric Determinations, etc." in volume 7, number 4, of the University of Michigan Publications.

Goldwin Smith, Cornell Branch guest for two years from 1935 to 1937, is now teaching history at the University of Iowa at Iowa City.

Robert Anderson, TA member now at Princeton on a fellowship, is doing graduate work for his Ph.D. in government.

Jack Burchard has given up his position in the Continental Bank of Chicago, and this year is doing graduate work in government at Yale University.

Robert Rust, who last year graduated from the Cornell School of Agriculture and was for three years a guest at the Branch, is working this year as Administrative Assistant to the County Agent of Tompkins County.

**CHANCELLOR JOHNSON  
IN CALIFORNIA**

Chancellor Johnson has just completed a month's visit at Deep Springs, where he gave lectures for his course on the novel. Mr. Johnson will leave for the East on November 17th, and his route home includes Los Angeles, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Denver, Chicago, Cleveland, and Buffalo. He expects to be in Ithaca soon after Thanksgiving.

**PAUL ASHWORTH TO  
TELLURIDE POWER**

Paul Ashworth, who for a considerable time has been with the Utah Power & Light Company in Salt Lake City, has joined the Telluride Power Company force as chief engineer and will assist in the Company's management. His home will be in Richfield, and his duties will take him over the entire Telluride territory.

Mr. Ashworth was an early TA man, graduated from Cornell University, and later was there as an instructor in the engineering school.

This fall George Stewart was unable to accept the preferment scholarship at Cornell Branch granted by the 1938 Convention, but in a recent communication says that he hopes to be here in February to continue his college work the second semester.

Robert Huffcut is working this year for the State Department in Washington handling correspondence in the Trade Agreements Division.

**NECROLOGY**

Joseph T. Farrer, 73, Telluride alumnus and for many years cashier of the Provo Commercial and Savings Bank, died October 7 at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Tucker, in Santa Ana, California. Mr. Farrer had been in failing health since early summer. Among those surviving him are his son Leland, a former TA member, and his grandson James B. Tucker, at present a student at Deep Springs.

**NEW BRANCH MEMBERS**

Fred H. Bird, who graduated last spring from New Trier high school in Winnetka, Ill., is taking an arts course with the intention of entering journalism. He is a competitor on the Cornell Daily Sun and is out for frosh swimming. This summer he worked as a shipping clerk in a school book publishing company.

Walter Cerf, a graduate guest, is doing advanced work in philosophy. Upon completing a year's work at Princeton last spring, he sailed for Europe, visiting Belgium and France.

John D. Edgerton came to Cornell to major in chemistry, after spending a year at Harvard and last year working at the Mount Washington observatory. His last two summers were spent in Ithaca attending Cornell's summer school.

Robert B. Henderson is majoring in chemistry in the Arts school after spending three years at Deep Springs. Bob is keeping in trim by working out with the 150-lb. football squad.

Gordon Kiddoo, who also hails from New Trier in Winnetka, Ill., is using his George Lincoln Burr scholarship for study towards a degree in chemical engineering. He is out for frosh swimming.

Teh-Chang Koo, who is majoring in mechanical engineering, divided his summer between school here and visits to seventeen southern factories. In addition to leading the Cornell-in-China group, he is president of the Cosmopolitan club.

Professor H. D. Laube is one of the two members of the University faculty living at Cornell Branch this year. He teaches jurisprudence and contracts in the Law school.

Irving Merrill is a sophomore Arts student, having attended Iowa State for one year. A member of the Cornell University orchestra and the instrumental club, he is also interested in the dramatic club.

Professor P. E. Mosely is again teaching in the department of history after spending a summer of study in the Balkans.

Morrison Rutherford, of Washington, D. C., comes to Cornell after three years at Deep Springs. He intends to complete a pre-med course here.

Robert L. Sproull, another Deep Springer, is a physics major. His extra-curricular interests are debate and photography.

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ate, permanent sprinkling system have been obtained, and the pipe will be laid very soon. The ground has already been manured and plowed, and the ditches for the pipe are nearly completed. After this work is finished, the Student Body will turn its attention to the redecoration of the front room of the museum. A new paint job, new curtains, and the instalment of uniform furniture will be the principal changes made here.

Although some of the student rooms were painted this summer and a number of new dressers and bookcases were purchased for them, the largest part of our redecoration work has been confined to our guest rooms. New furniture has replaced the ancient appointments, the rooms have been freshly painted, and the floors carpeted. The guest bathrooms also have been immensely improved by the addition of overhead showers and the installation of artificial tile sideboards. The result has been, we feel, to increase immeasurably the comforts that we can offer guests of Deep Springs.

The faculty for this year includes Henry Hayes, Deep Springs alumnus and Telluride member, who is offering work in English, French, History, and American Constitution. Dr. Kimpton is teaching Logic, German, and Citizenship. The latter is a general orientation course for first year men that is offered in conjunction with English. Armand Kelly is instructing in both Economics and Sociology, and also is assisting the chemistry class in its work. The chemistry work this year is being conducted under the supervision of Dr. Charles Coryell of U. C. L. A., who has outlined the work and who will be with us a good part of the time. The Student Body is also looking forward to Mr. Johnson's course in the novel.

The following is a list of first year men:

Richard Brodhead, Madison, Wis.; Ernst Erickson, Lynbrook, N. Y.; Bruce Granger, Philadelphia, Pa.; John Green, Washington, D. C.; Earl Mason, Beverly Hills, Calif.; James Olin, Kenilworth, Ill.; Christian Rondstvedt, Minneapolis, Minn.; Robert Sullivan, Minneapolis, Minn.; James Tucker, Santa Ana, Calif.; Howard Turner, Omaha, Neb. Despite their newness most of these men

are doing very well, and we already feel that their contribution towards a successful year has been considerable.

The Student Body took an overnight trip to Big Pine Creek shortly after school commenced, and since then frequent hikes and horseback trips have been made into the surrounding country. This development is something of a departure from last year, when time for hikes and rides was all too scarce. Another improvement over last year is in the quality of our Public Speaking Meetings. Thus far the speeches have been much superior to those of last year, and the Public Speaking Committee is highly pleased with the Student Body's response to its suggestions.

Committee work as a whole is of the same high standard of last year. No changes have been made in the standing committees although several special committees have been created for the execution of certain projects. There appears to be little danger of the committee system again reaching the unwieldy proportions it did reach several years ago.

The Student Body as a whole is of excellent quality, we feel, and considering the physical improvements upon the ranch as well as the ability and willingness of the faculty, the Student Body is looking forward to one of the most successful years in its history.

**DAVIS PROMOTED**

In September the Securities Exchange Commission promoted Sherlock Davis, formerly assistant director of the trading and exchange division, to technical adviser to the commission on problems relating to over-the-counter markets. Mr. Davis has been with the SEC since 1934.

**MANNER IN EUROPE**

George Manner is in Berlin, after two months in France and Holland. He has completed his research work in the libraries at The Hague, and expects to continue this work in Berlin. While in Europe George intends to gather material for his doctoral thesis on "The Position of the Individual in International Law." He invites Telluriders to write to him, c/o American Express, Berlin.

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not forget that it is his country which refused to enter the League of Nations following the last World War. He must not forget that it is his country today which continues to trade with the world until it has accumulated more than 55% of the world's monetary gold reserves, and which continues to stand apart from its obligations in the world community of nations.

Were the United States to make full use of its international economic influence, it would discourage aggression, and would refrain from aiding the aggressor if aggression did occur. Under a plan which withdraws trade from all countries which are in a state of war, or a plan which allows trade with all countries, the aggressor is inevitably aided. The victim of aggression, often unprepared to repulse an attack, is put at a sometimes fatal disadvantage of being required to compete with another nation which has planned an offensive and has supplied itself for the purpose.

As citizens of the United States, we must bring every possible pressure to bear upon our elected representatives to place this nation in a position which will enable it to use its influence upon the side of international peace and order, to use its influence *now*, before armies have begun to march, *now* while United States participation gives more hope than an earlier termination of the war. We must—because of the pressure of circumstances—give up our antiquated policy of standing by, ostrich fashion, until the European hurricane has swept us into the center of the storm. Our duty lies on this side of the Atlantic Ocean, but that duty is to urge our nation to avoid the squander of power which the United States could utilize in international relations toward the fervently desired goal of international peace and security.

**A NEW LEVERING**

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levering announce the arrival of Lois Osburn Levering, born October 28, 1938. Lois weighed in at 7¼ pounds. Both mother and daughter are doing well.