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## DEEP SPRINGS NOTES

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Mr. Charles Uhlmeier assumed the duties of ranch manager on February 15. He replaced Mr. Robert Rust who plans to work for the United States Forest Service near Lone Pine, California. With this change in personnel several alterations in ranch policy have also occurred. A new Indian irrigator and a cowboy have been hired as permanent hands. The farm and range cattle departments are expected to work in closer harmony under the new administration.

With the advent of spring plowing, planting, ditch cleaning, and irrigating are the main labor projects. Everything is being prepared in order to accommodate a large head of water, which is the result of heavy snows in the White Mountains. The new lawn sites around the upper ranch circle are being spaded, raked, and planted. Stone pathways are being built to protect the young grass from being trampled by hurrying students. The strengthening of the horse barn has been finished and will make it possible to store considerable hay in the loft.

Several work projects being carried on by individuals are worthy of note. The planting of young elm trees and the completion of a third cactus garden around the circle are the gardener's contribution toward beautifying the ranch grounds. Sausages, hams, and bacon, products of a recently built smoke house, are soon to be served at meal times. The office man is making plans for the construction of a new apiary, which is to be located just north of the woodpile. Buff-Orpington chicks are to be raised by the chicken man.

The several committees of the student body are sponsoring a number of plans this semester. Most outstanding is that of the complete reorganization of the library. With the aid of Mrs. Hattie McConnaughey the library committee has begun to rearrange and reclassify many volumes. New shelves are to be built, providing ample space for additional books. Fluorescent lighting may be installed. A general clean-up will follow and outdated books will be auctioned off. A plan for future book buying is being worked out between the faculty and the students.

Many guests have been entertained recently. Scientists seem to have predominated. Three chemists, candidates for instructorship at Deep Springs, have lectured. Entomologist Dr. Gordon Ferris spoke on biology and human welfare. Alumnus geo-physicist Bob Mansfield showed some interesting pictures of seismological work in the petroleum industry. Mr. Mansfield also presented some slides of the June Telluride Convention held here at Deep Springs. A representative of the Forest Service gave a talk on fish and game conservation in California. A few weeks later some of the students assisted at a deer count being held in the Sierras.

The time and place for the annual spring trip have been decided upon. From April 5 to 15 the student body will visit the Grand Canyon and neighboring points of interest in Utah and Nevada. The trip to the floor of the Canyon will be

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## PARKER MONROE ELECTED TRUSTEE

The election of Mr. Parker Monroe to the Deep Springs Board of Trustees has recently been announced. Mr. Monroe will fill the vacancy caused in the membership of the Board of Trustees by the death of Mr. P. N. Nunn in October, 1939.

Mr. Monroe is well known to many Telluride members and to the alumni. He is specially well-known to those who, as Custodians or members of the Convention Finance Committee, have benefited in recent years from his advice concerning the management of the Association's investment portfolio.

Mr. Monroe interrupted his early university training at the University of Michigan to work as head-chainman of one of Mr. L. L. Nunn's surveying crews. He became a member of Telluride Association in 1916 and was granted preference at the Cornell Branch to enable him to pursue work in both the Engineering and the Arts Schools. Soon after the United States entered the World War, however, Mr. Monroe volunteered for service in the field artillery of the Army—being promoted to the rank of major.

After the War he began work with Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York City. He remained with this concern until he transferred to his present position as an investment officer of the Carnegie Foundation.

Those who know Mr. Monroe are convinced that his familiarity with Telluride background and traditions and his extensive experience in business and investment management should enable him to make a very substantial contribution to the work of the Board of Trustees of Deep Springs.

## DEEP SPRINGS COTTAGE FUND

At long last we are able to announce that the goal of \$5,000 has been realized. This represents contributions from 181 friends and alumni of the Association in addition to 95% of the active membership. At this time we wish to express our appreciation to those many friends of the Association and Deep Springs who, through their interest and support, have made possible the successful conclusion of this project.

## G. L. BURR PUBLICATION

Dr. Lois Gibbons of Philadelphia recently arrived in Ithaca, where she will remain until Commencement, during which time she will be engaged in collecting letters and other material of George Lincoln Burr. Dr. Gibbons is collaborating with Dr. Ronald Bainton of Yale University upon a book dealing with the writings of Professor Burr. The biographical section will be done by Dr. Bainton, while Dr. Gibbons is editing the writings. It is expected that a detailed plan of the undertaking will be ready for the attention of Telluride Convention in June.

## CHARLES COLLINGWOOD

Every morning for the past month Charles Collingwood's voice has been heard giving the news broadcasts from London for the Columbia Broadcasting Company. He has been working in the London office of the United Press throughout the war.

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## ACTIVITIES OF BRANCH MEMBERS

As is usual, a fairly large proportion of Branch members are participating in campus activities this spring.

*Trend* magazine has benefited from the services of Managing Editor Jim Tucker, Business Manager Paul Todd, and staff members Karl Schmeidler, Bruce Johnston, and Hugh Toole. Jim Tucker has recently been elected editor of this publication for next year.

Bruce Johnston was chairman of the round table conference on Making Democracy Work which were held at Cornell by representatives of Dartmouth, Pennsylvania and Cornell. The Branch members participating in this conference were: Dick Ament, Ned Bedell, Ed Cronk, John Murray, Francis Tetreault, and Jim Tucker.

Ed Cronk is president of the Debate Club of which Jim Tucker is manager and Karl Schmeidler a member. Dick Ament has been active in work at the North Side Community House in Ithaca.

Herbert Gustafson has been competing for the Junior Varsity baseball team. John Murray is still serving on the Willard Straight Forums Committee and is the newly-elected president of the Student Forum. He is a sophomore candidate for the Willard Straight Board of Managers.

Until he left Cornell to work for the Executive Committee of the American Student Union, Jim Moore was chairman of the Cornell chapter of this organization.

Bruce Johnston has recently received a fellowship for graduate work in public administration at the University of Minnesota. A Charles A. Coffin fellowship for graduate work in physics has been awarded Robert Sproull by the General Electric Company. He will do his work at Cornell.

The Branch basketball team won every game in its league this winter but was defeated in the play-offs. Members of the team were Beal, Bedell, Toole, Sproull, Henderson, Todd, Johnston, and Schmeidler. Beal was picked by the *Cornell Daily Sun* as one of the outstanding intramural players.

Fenton Sands is active as assistant educational director of the South Side Community Center. This is the main community project of the Negroes of Ithaca.

Rolan Ball, David MacConnaughey, and Bruce Netschert help to serve the more esthetic needs of Cornell students by participating in madrigal and choir singing and other musical activities.

The faculty of the Department of Fine Arts of William and Mary College gave a recital on 16 March at the opening of an exhibition of work by members of the Department, of which Edwin C. Rust is head. Architectural designs and models, sculptures, paintings, and scene and costume designs were shown.

## BIRTHS

Dr. Robert Aird in San Francisco has a new daughter: Mary Emily Aire, born 6 March; wt. 6½ lbs.

## ACTIVITIES OF THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE

This year the property committee has tried to do the maintenance work about the house which it could do with reasonable proficiency, since it was felt that there was no justification for hiring the work done. Many windows have had broken sash cords, which the committee has replaced. Shelves were built in the attic to hold the Association's files. This has made the south end of the attic much less congested. The attic was also cleaned up, and except for a large number of trunks, boxes, and suitcases belonging to members and others now living outside the Branch, it is now in good order. Many of these boxes and suitcases have no names on them, and their owners cannot be notified of their presence here. Consequently, the committee would like to request anyone who has belongings in the attic to let the Chancellor know, so that the attic may be cleaned up completely before the end of the school year.

The Recreation Committee and Property Committee have pooled their efforts in reworking the surface of the tennis court. The clay was first roughed up with a rake and then leveled and rolled. The new surface is much smoother and leveler than the old, which had been well heaved by freezing and thawing. If the weather remains as good as it has been, the court will get much use this spring.

## RECORD COLLECTION

Dr. Victor Lange has again augmented the House record library, this time giving an album of English madrigals and Bach's *Concerto in D Minor*.

Roland Ball and David MacConnaughey pooled their resources to give Brahms's *Academic Festival Overture*.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Sproull left the House Smetana's *Moldau*.

Acting en masse, House members have bought Weinberger's *Under the Spreading Chestnut Tree* and *Schwanda—Polka and Fugue*, Tchaikowsky's *Romeo and Juliet Overture*, Mendelssohn's *Concerto in E Minor*, Brahms's *Variations on a Theme by Haydn*, and Chabrier's *España Rapsodie*.

These additions bring the total of modern-type discs in the library to nearly 500.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

Acting upon a suggestion of Chancellor Elmer Johnson, the Public Speaking Committee has recently undertaken to give Branch members experience in microphone technique. For a couple of days the music room and Dutch were largely a tangle of wires, batteries, tubes, and such, centering about technician Bob Sproull. Then for two successive Wednesday evenings, the assembled found themselves facing no speakers, but a phonograph, from which issued various hollow, barely recognizable voices.

Further variety was added to the public speaking program this spring by an evening of debate between the interventionists and non-interventionists, two representatives of each side participating.

## GUGGENHEIM GRANT

Dr. Francis D. Wormuth, now assistant professor of government at Indiana University, was recently announced to be one of the 85 Guggenheim fellowship recipients. His grant will be for research in political theory with particular reference to the "doctrine of separation of powers," which he will do at Cornell next year.

### BRANCH GUESTS

The month of April saw a sudden stream of guests in a semester which had brought comparatively few guests to Cornell Branch. On the week-end of April 19 the House was filled to overflowing with guest consultants for the university conference on "Making Democracy Work." The isolationists in the House found spiritual communion with Dr. Harry Elmer Barnes, one of the ablest defenders of that position. Dr. Simon G. Hanson, chief economist to the co-ordinator of commercial and cultural relations between the American republics, who joined Barnes in the conference discussions of foreign policy also stayed at the Branch.

Other conference guests were Mr. Morris Ernst, the lawyer and author, and Dr. Corwin Edwards, the chief economist in the Department of Justice. The Hon. Isador Lubin, U. S. commissioner of labor statistics, made Telluride his headquarters but did not spend the night.

Professor Bredtvoid from the English department of the University of Michigan visited the Branch in company with Mrs. Bredtvoid on April 14. Mr. and Mrs. Robley Williams drove down from Ann Arbor and were at the House for dinner on Sunday the thirteenth.

Dean Kimpton arrived at the Branch on March 27 for a visit of several days. Jim Withrow spent the same week-end just before Spring Vacation at the House.

Professor W. Lloyd Warner, a versatile anthropologist from the University of Chicago, was the guest of the Branch during his visit to Cornell for a lecture on March 19. Reverend A. J. Muste stayed at the House for several days during the "Campus Conference on Religion in Modern Life" and led an informal discussion one evening with the members of the Branch.

### FREDERICK POTTLE

Frederick Pottle, of the Yale University English department, was a guest of the Branch for the three weeks preceding spring vacation. Mr. Pottle was the second Messenger lecturer at the university for the present school year, giving a series of six lectures on the subject "Emergent Theories in Criticism." In the course of the lectures Mr. Pottle discussed the shifts of sensibilities in literary appreciation, the doctrine of critical relativism, and the function of the critic in regard to his contemporary literature.

Mr. Pottle is known for his work in the eighteenth century and the romantic period, especially with the writings of Boswell. He presented the Branch with a copy of his recent book "Boswell and the Girl from Botany Bay."

### CORNELL CLUB DINNER

The following attended a dinner meeting at the Cornell Club of New York on 26 February: E. C. Bonnett, J. F. Brauner, F. H. Bullen, L. N. Crichton, R. H. Dann, David Durand, E. B. Henley, B. M. Hudson, E. M. Johnson, Parker Monroe, W. B. Putnam, P. O. Reyneau, Morrison Rutherford, I. L. Scott, Bruce Simmons, J. R. Withrow, and G. A. Worn.

At Boston on 5 March the following met at dinner: Miles Fellows, Morris and Mrs. Hayes, E. M. Johnson, J. S. Mansfield, J. M. Newell, R. M. Roberts, and W. L. Spalding.

Frank Monaghan, H. C. Mansfield, Ward Goodenough, E. M. Johnson, and Professor Bainton met at lunch on the Yale Campus on 1 March.

Harry Scott, Senior in the Cornell Law School, is on the Dean's List, standing eleventh in the graduating class.

### BRANCH ENTERTAINMENT

The principal event on the Branch entertainment calendar in the month of March, was the formal tea held on the sixteenth of the month in honor of Professor Frederick Pottle. It was the first Sunday that Professor Pottle was at the House during his visit as Messenger lecturer of the spring term. The tea was vaguely reminiscent of formal teas of other years, and was a good deal more pleasant than the forbidding label, "formal tea," might suggest.

An informal dance was held on the night of March 1 with dates coming to the House for dinner before the dance. Professor Charles A. Moore, who is staying at the Branch during the spring term while at Cornell as an exchange professor, gave a beer and poker party for the House March 8.

An informal dance is scheduled for April 19 and is being held in conjunction with the tri-college conference on "Making Democracy Work," which is being held at Cornell that week-end. A spring piano recital by Roland Ball will probably be the next Sunday Evening Entertainment.

### PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

On April 18 the Public Affairs Committee of Cornell Branch presented a 17-minute broadcast over WHCU. The original inspiration for this project came from Robert Huffcut before he left for the Philippines. Various friends of Branch members at different universities throughout the country were asked for their opinions on the foreign policy the United States should follow in regard to the Second World War. These opinions were augmented by excerpts from the exchange files of the Cornell Daily Sun, and all of the material was integrated into a script by the Committee under the supervision of Chairman Henry Beal. Following somewhat the plan of the March of Time presentations, Paul Todd, Karl Schmeidler, Ned Bedell, Francis Tetreault, and John Murray informed the citizens of Ithaca of the opinions of college students in other parts of the country.

The Public Affairs Committee has also arranged for M. Pierre Cot, former Minister of Aviation and Commerce in France to lecture at Cornell. He is coming on May 7th and will speak on the subject, "Present Conditions in France."

### INTRAMURAL ATHLETICS

Telluride's soft-ball season opened last week with a 9-1 victory over Chi Psi. The game was called at the end of the fifth inning because of rain, but until this time pitcher Horsfall had allowed one hit, one man had reached second base, and seven had struck out.

The offense produced twelve hits, including a home-run by Cronk and doubles by Gustafson, Horsfall, and Todd; and nine runs, including three by Nutt Scholar Sproull. The defense produced errorless fielding for five innings. Chi Psi's run came in the fourth as a result of a walk, a wild pitch, and a Texas Leaguer behind third.

Earl Ohlinger has begun work with the U. S. Navy as Chief Architectural Draftsman, at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Dr. W. A. Jarrett holds a lieutenancy in the Medical Corps and is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J. He is at Infirmary, Remount Area, Company C, 1229 Reception Center.

E. C. Jarrett has been examined, classified, and accepted for military training, to report for induction on 25 April.

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made this year with the aid of donkeys.

Dean Kimpton is still in the East interviewing applicants for Deep Springs. The applications committee is keeping in close contact with his progress and files of candidates are ever growing in number. Public speaking is going to be intensely studied by the student body for a period of a week. Dr. Scott of Pomona College will direct this work. Interesting recordings of the various students' vocal abilities were recently made and will help the faculty in pointing out obvious speech defects. The interest in speaking doesn't seem to be restricted to only one language, for regular German and French tables have been established in the boarding house.

Every part of the Deep Springs plant seems to be functioning smoothly and with only one quarter of the school year remaining, the student body feels confident that this year will have been one of great success.

## NECROLOGY

Mr. E. P. Woodhouse died on January 27 at his home in San Leandro, California. For many years he was closely associated with the work of the Telluride Power Co. during the organization's early days. He was a charter member of Telluride Association and also participated in the work of Deep Springs as manager of the ranch and farm for the first few years.

On March 4th Mr. N. A. McKay died in Los Angeles of a heart attack. He had been associated for many years with the Telluride group. For a while he worked in the First National Bank in Telluride and later in the Grace, Provo, and Beaver Canyon offices of the Telluride Power Company. He was at Deep Springs for several years after 1918 and was a charter member of the Association.

Mr. C. M. Twelves died at his home in Seattle on the evening of February 16. Mr. Twelves was connected with the very earliest work of the Telluride Power Co., being with the Nunn Station in Utah before 1900. He later was elected County Surveyor of Utah County and then became associated with the Puget Sound Telephone Company of Everett, Washington. Mr. Twelves, like Mr. McKay and Mr. Woodhouse, was a charter member and alumnus of Telluride Association.

Hoyt E. Ray has announced his candidacy for the nomination as mayor of Idaho Falls on the Citizens' Party ticket. For eight years prior to 1933, Ray was U. S. District Attorney for Idaho.

Irving R. Merrill recently received the second of two Forbes Hermans prizes for the best one-act plays on an American theme. Mr. Merrill, a senior in the arts college, entitled his play "The Ballad of Claudius Smith."

## NATIONAL DEFENSE

Lieut.-Col. L. R. Edwards, of the 145th Field Artillery, is in command of his unit in southern California.

Walter G. Barlow is a private in Battery D, 260th CA (AA), at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Six employees of the Telluride Power Co. are now in service with the 222nd Field Artillery: Major B. C. Luth, Auditor, is Executive Officer of the 2nd Battalion; Captain Cliff McShane, Supt. of Power Plants, etc., in Beaver Canyon, is a member of the 2nd Battalion staff; Captain Norman M. Andreason, Office and Credit Manager, is commanding officer of E Battery; 1st Lieut. Reed Blomquist, Line Maintenance and Operation, is Executive Officer of E Battery; 2nd Lieut. Eugene Tanner and Staff Sgt. Ronald Grimshaw, Operators at Beaver Canyon, are with the headquarters battery of the 2nd Battalion.

William D. Whitney is a Major on the Staff of the Scots Guards, stationed in London. He has recently written a book, *America Through th Looking-Glass*.

Capt. Robert Cavanaugh of the Army Medical Corps has been assigned for duty at the Letterman Hospital, San Francisco.

Sherlock Davis is a Major in the Field Artillery. He is Aide-de-Camp to the Commander of the 27th Division, with headquarters at Fort McClellan, Alabama.

RECEIVED BY THE ASSOCIATION  
HISTORICAL FILES

Reprints from the *Journal of the Franklin Institute* and from the *Journal of Allergy*, "Electrophoretic Separation of the Antibody from Human Allergic Serum," by Dr. J. M. Newell assisted by Drs. Sterling, Oxman, Burden, and Krejci; "Attempts to Detect a Reaction Between Human Allergic Serum and its Antigen," by Dr. J. M. Newell; a contribution from the Harvard Dept. of Physical Chemistry, reprinted from the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, by Dr. J. M. Newell in collaboration with other staffmen, "Preparation and Properties of Serum and Plasma Proteins. I. Size and Charge of Proteins Separating upon Equilibration across Membranes with Ammonium Sulfate Solutions of Controlled pH, Ionic Strength and Temperature."

No. 1100 of the *American Museum Novitates* which contains "Six New Birds from Perija Mountains of Venezuela," by Thomas Gilliard in collaboration with W. H. Phelps.

Heats of Organic Reactions. IX. A New Calorimeter and the Denaturation of Methemoglobin by Alkali, by J. B. Conn, G. B. Kistiakowsky, and R. M. Roberts. Reprinted from the *Jour. of the Am. Chem. Soc.* (1940).

## WEDDINGS

Ward Goodenough and Miss Ruth Gallagher were married in Sage Chapel on the Cornell campus on February 8. Chimes for the wedding were played by Bruce Netschert.