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- DEAN THORNHILL DIES -

Dean E. A. Thornhill died after a brief illness at the Highland Hospital in Rochester, N. Y., on Friday, Aug. 20. Apparently in good health, despite his eighty years, Mr. Thornhill had but a few days earlier returned eastward from Los Angeles and was in Rochester on a business trip when stricken.

Ernest Alger Thornhill was born on May 22, 1863, on a farm near Hermon (St. Lawrence County), N. Y., but the family moved to Taylorville, Ill., where he attended high school. He later was a student at the Illinois State Normal School and spent the following two years as principal of the Training High School at the Normal School while preparing himself for entrance at Harvard. He attended Harvard from 1895-99, was elected member of Phi Beta Kappa, and for the following four years he served as principal of the Carrollton (Ill.) High School. At Carrollton he joined the Masonic Lodge -- Blue Lodge, Chapter and Temple.

Mr. Thornhill in 1903 married Lida Connale of Carrollton and that same year entered the School of Education of the University of Chicago, where he received his M. A. in education under John Dewey. In 1904 he went West to take charge of the educational work at the several schools operated by the Telluride Power Co. in Colorado, Utah, and Idaho, and for the following forty years he was actively associated with the educational institutions founded by L. L. Nunn.

When Telluride Association was founded, Mr. Thornhill became Dean, and he held this position until 1930 when he retired as Dean-Emeritus. He was one of that small group of associates of L. L. Nunn who was designated a Trustee of Deep Springs, and his death leaves a vacancy on the Board of that institution.

Mr. Thornhill is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lida Connale Thornhill; by his daughter Virginia, now Mrs. Grant Northrup of Williamson, N. Y.; by one grandson, the two-year-old Ernest Thornhill Northrup. He is also survived by two brothers, Dr. Paige E. Thornhill of Norfolk, Va., and Mr. Jasper L. Thornhill of Watertown, N. Y., and by one sister, Mrs. M. E. I. Jungling of Jamaica, N. Y.

Mr. Thornhill's funeral was held in Williamson on Aug. 22, and the service was conducted by the local Presbyterian minister. There were flowers from Telluride Association, Telluride Alumni, Deep Springs Trustees, and from individual friends and associates. The grave is in the Lakeview Cemetery on a bluff overlooking Lake Ontario, a short distance from Williamson.

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Outside the Founder, no individual did more than Mr. Thornhill toward the early shaping and development of Telluride Association and Deep Springs, and one has but to talk with those who have gone through these organizations to

observe the part that "Pop" Thornhill had in our educational growth. He was a man of moral conviction and intellectual integrity; he believed in rigorous mental discipline and had little patience indeed with self-indulgent fellows indisposed to work both mentally and physically. He spoke and wrote with a sort of Old Testament vigor and flavor when stirred by our delinquencies; when we did not assume our individual and group responsibilities, when we became indifferent to our purpose and obligation, he could jolt a single Pinhead or an entire Branch, and few escaped. Self-discipline and clean habits, simplicity of living and mental enrichment, high responsibility to God and man -- these are the things for which he worked during his long years with us. Our Telluride associates have lost one of our most valued members.

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- TREASURER BIERSACH REPORTS ON ASSOCIATION ALUMNI FINANCES -

Treasurer W. L. Biersach of the Telluride Association Alumni in his annual report to the Alumni shows 19 loans in force on July 1 amounting to \$2,513.75. The report shows that \$7,054.91 has been accumulated since 1913 in dues, collected interest, and miscellaneous receipts and contributions. Outside a small cash balance of \$243.00 in the bank, the Alumni own a \$1,500.00 investment certificate of the Deseret Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of Salt Lake City and a \$1,000.00 U. S. Treasury 2% bond, 1950-52. Statements have been mailed for the \$2.00 dues for the new fiscal year beginning July 1, and the Alumni cash balance should be materially augmented.

Expenses since the founding of the Association Alumni in 1913 have been \$1,798.16, the largest item being \$896.71 contributed toward the support of the Telluride News Letter. No contributions have been made to the News Letter for a number of years. The next largest item covers cost of stationery, postage, printing, etc., and amounts to \$495.01. Included also is the item of \$392.43, loss on deposit in liquidation at the Provo Com'l and Savings Bank, and the \$14.01 spent in 1918 for our service flags.

- New Alumni members -

During the past year 43 new members have been added to the Alumni roster. They are: Dr. Robt. B. Aird, Capt. Carl G. Allen, Sgt. John U. Anderson, Harold E. Atkinson, Lt. Col. Daniel H. Beck, Lester C. Bacon, Dr. F. L. Barbour, Clyde S. Bailey, John E. Beaumont, Donald A. Booth, Don C. Brown, D. L. Brundige, Pvt. Walter Cerf, Lieut. Geo. E. Cotter, Peter Dietzel, John W. Green, Thomas Gilliard, Kirtland Harsch, Dr. Charlton Hinman, E. L. Houtz, Barclay M. Hudson, R. R. Irvine, Sr., Gordon Kiddoc, W. Carlton Kinney, Michel Kunic, Henry Lanz, Jr., Prof. Herbert D. Laube, H. R. Leedom, Frank Lerrigo, Dr. E. A. Lowe, Dr. Oscar E. Maurer, Fred M. Moore, Casey Robinson, Hal R. Roodhouse, Dr. Morrison Rutherford, G. F. Reinhardt, A. D. Smith, Dr. Goldwin Smith, Henry B. Suhr, Capt. Geo. M. Sutton, John C. Van Etten, C. A. Wolfrom, and E. L. G. Zalinski.

Numerous individuals in our Telluride group are eligible for membership in the Association Alumni. These men may more effectively cooperate in the work of Telluride Association if they take out membership. The application forms may be procured from Mr. W. L. Biersach, Richfield, Utah.

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- DEEP SPRINGS BEGINS AUTUMN TERM -

Deep Springs after a busy summer begins its autumn term on Tuesday, September 7.

The Student Body throughout the summer has consisted of twenty-four members. The names and home addresses of the members of the Student Body

follow. The date indicates the time the member began work at Deep Springs:

William Hayes Allen, 1134 Emerson St., Palo Alto, Cal.	July, 1942
Henderson Drummond Booth, 18416 Winslow Rd., Shaker Heights, O.	Feb., 1943
Calvin Chandler Chapman, 1616 LaVereda Rd., Berkeley, Cal.	June, 1943
Barney Sanford Childs, 473 Embarcadero Rd., Palo Alto, Cal.	June, 1943
Richard Cleveland Cornelison, 1156 1st Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah	June, 1943
William Wallace Cowan, 2920 Broxton Road, Shaker Heights, O.	June, 1943
Carlos Escobar, 2231 Franklin St., San Francisco, Cal.	June, 1943
Jack Joseph Feldman, 3538 Park Blvd., Oakland, Cal.	June, 1943
Kent Mason Fuller, 68 Francis Ave., Cambridge, Mass.	June, 1943
Lindsey Grant, 81 Tanglewyde Ave., Bronxville, N. Y.	Feb., 1943
Stephen Northup Hay, 245 Ogden Ave., Swarthmore, Pa.	July, 1942
Henry Jameson, Jr., 3347 N. Shepard Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.	June, 1943
Bruce Ross Laverty, 1216 Floribunda Ave., Burlingame, Cal.	June, 1943
Richard Morgan Loomis, 3208 Chadbourne Rd., Shaker Heights, O.	Mch., 1943
Juliap Fairman MacDonald, Jr., R. D. No. 1, Norwalk, O.	June, 1943
Kenneth Stevens Mahony, 1807 Lacombe Ave., New York City, N. Y.	June, 1943
Joseph Carl Navratil, 45 Galusha St., Rochester, N. Y.	June, 1943
Don Joseph Novelli, 800 Portland Ave., Rochester, N. Y.	June, 1943
Thomas Rossman Palfrey, Jr., 2735 Noyes St., Evanston, Ill.	Feb., 1943
Donald Penhallegon Pederson, 14 Highland Ave., Geneva, N. Y.	June, 1943
Gerrard Stewart Pock, 424 S. Blackstone Ave., LaGrange, Ill.	June, 1943
William Donald Porter, 359 Vassar Ave., Berkeley, Cal.	June, 1943
Philip Sloan Robbins, 101 School St., New Bedford, Mass.	June, 1943
Albert Nicholson Votaw, 27 W. 7th St., Media, Pa.	July, 1942

The Student Body contains fewer experienced members than at any time in its history; further, the members are on an average younger than usual. Most have completed their preparatory school training

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- ALUMNUS W. D. CATES DIES -

Belated word has come of the death of Alumnus William Charles Cates, 78, on Dec. 23, 1942. Born in England, Mr. Cates was associated with the earliest developments of the Telluride Power Co. and worked with that Company for 15 years. One of his jobs was that of Supt. of Construction of the Ames No. 2 Plant in 1907. In 1912 he was made district manager of the Utah Power at Idaho Falls; in 1917 he returned to Utah to take over the management of the Delta Land and Water Co., with headquarters at Milford, a position he held until he retired a number of years ago.

Mr. Cates is survived by his widow, Mrs. Laura Leeton Cates, and by one daughter and two sons. Mr. Cates was buried in the Cedar City cemetery.

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- PERSONAL NOTES -

Lt. Henry E. Beal of the Army Air Force and Miss Barbara Mae Tibbals were married on July 7 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sacramento, Cal. Lt. Beal is stationed at Hayward Airdrome, Hayward, Cal.

Lt. Col. Daniel H. Beck reports that he is working day and night. Address: Post Engineer-Utilities, APO 942, Seattle, Wash.

Pvt. William L. Biersach, Jr., (39293996) is attending Signal Corps Radio School at Camp Crowder, Mo.

Frederick H. Bullen and Miss Elizabeth Jean Johnson were married on August 13 at Cleveland, O. The Bullen address after October 1 will be 10302 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland.

Ensign John H. Burchard (USNR) and Miss Aileen Margaret Ritchie were married on July 31 at 109 Chester St., Mount Vernon, N. Y. Ensign Burchard has been stationed at the Naval Air Navigation School at Hollywood, Fla.

Pvt. Roger Cartwright, at Camp Lee, Va., and soon to complete his basic training at the QM Camp, is applying for Officer Candidate School work.

Hugh W. Davy has transferred from Salt Lake City to become Branch Manager of the Home Life Insurance Co. of New York. Davy's new office is Rcom 1321-23, 111 Sutter St., San Francisco 4, Cal.

A/C John Dieffenderfer, Jr., is engaged in Primary flight training at Hancock Field with the class of 44B and expects to receive his wings and commission in February. He is on the staff of the Cadet newspaper, the Gremlin. Address: Sqdn. B, Class 44B, First AAFSTD, Hancock Field, Santa Maria, Cal.

Capt. L. R. Fournier, in civilian life the General Superintendent of the Telluride Power Co., has been transferred from Camp Callan to serve as instructor in AA at Communications Dept. AA School, Building 1688, Camp Davis, N. C. Fournier's son, Sgt. Rene, is stationed near Phoenix.

E. M. Johnson arrives at Deep Springs on Sept. 7, the opening date of the autumn term. He will conduct courses in composition and etymology and will do tutorial work in novels, drama, and biography.

Lt. Bruce Johnston has been assigned as instructor in AA gunnery. He writes: "It was the course which I had found most intriguing as a candidate, and I was highly pleased to be assigned to this section when I found that I was slated to teach....The work of instructing is not exacting, and I find that I derive a lot of pleasure trying to explain our gunnery problems in a clear and interesting manner....I find that I have a certain amount of time to do scattered reading, corresponding, and the nearby beaches are a blessing for this California water dog." Johnston is at Camp Davis, N. C.

Lt. Commander Horace L. Jones, Jr., (M.C.) USN is assigned to the Naval Air Station at San Diego. After his graduation from Cornell Medical School in 1937, Jones served his medical internship and houseship at Roosevelt Hospital, in New York City, and medical residence at Medical College of

virginia, where he held a concurrent teaching assistantship. He joined the Navy when the war started, took basic course for medical officers and Tropical Medicine at the Naval Medical School in Washington, and then took aviation medicine and flight training leading to designation of Naval Flight Surgeon at Pensacola. Since then he has been stationed at San Diego teaching and going research in cardio-respiratory physiology in the Aviation Hygiene Training - Low-Pressure Chamber Unit.

Pvt. T. T. Kirkham (12102607) was called into active service on July 8 to begin his 3-month basic training in the medical department. He hopes in January to enter the Cornell Medical School where he had been accepted before his induction. Kirkham is stationed at Camp Barkeley, Texas.

Lt. Col. Ben C. Luth is with an Infantry Division as Adjutant. Address: APO 40, %Postmaster, San Francisco, Cal.

Dr. George Manner of the staff of the Dept. of Political Science at the University of Illinois has sent to the Association files a copy of his "Legal Nature and Punishment of Criminal Acts of Violence Contrary to the Laws of War," reprinted from the July issue of the American Journal of International Law.

Major Cliff McShane, in charge of ground training camps, is at A. A. F. F. T. C., Ft. Worth, Texas.

Lt. Bruce Netschert continues his work at MacDill Field. Besides being communications officer, he is also squadron intelligence officer.

Charles T. Nunn's address is %Time Keeping Dept., Guy F. Atkinson Co., Box 8, Neah Bay, Wash.

Bernt Olsson writes from Two Harbors, Minn., that he is comfortably north of the ragweed belt for the duration of the summer. He sends his regards to all.

Dr. Anderson Pace has left the Battelle Memorial Institute at Columbus, Ohio, and has begun work as research chemist for The Girdler Corp. at Louisville, a firm with varied interests and work. Pace has just been elected to Sigma Xi, national honor society in science. Address: 2111 Eastern Parkway, Louisville, Ky.

Erik M. Pell, 1943 graduate from Deep Springs, has begun study with the Navy on what ultimately will produce an EE degree. Address: Brooks Hall, Room 326, 605 N. 13th St., Milwaukee, 3, Wis.

1st Lt. Richard Ryan of the Air Transport Command reports a varied career during his 19 months in the service. He has been in 15 different outfits, has held 14 different titles since being commissioned. Among other things, Ryan is now Provost Marshal at his present base. Address: APO 691, %Postmaster, Presque Isle, Maine.

Lt. Col. John B. Sebree of the Marine Corps now resides at La Jolla, Calif.

Aviation engineer Kenneth Turner is manufacturing cargo transport planes for Curtiss-Wright. Address: 810 Arlington Ave., Bristol, Va.

Arthur Wiser has transferred from CPS Camp No. 52 at Powellville, Md., to CPS Camp No. 30 at Walhalla, Mich. Mrs. Wiser is to be on the staff of the cooperative school at the Camp.

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The post-Convention issue of the News Letter carried the announcement that there will not be published the usual Telluride Association and Deep Springs Directory. Addresses of our associates change so frequently that a new Directory at this time would be useless before it could be received by our scattered group.

At the Ithaca office we have on file the latest available address of each man. If you address mail to any Telluride associate %E. M. Johnson, 7 Renwick Drive, Ithaca, N. Y., (or merely to Telluride Association, Ithaca, N. Y.) it will be forwarded in the next mail. Should you wish the addresses of any individuals sent to you, please send a postcard to E. M. Johnson at the foregoing address, and the addresses will be promptly sent to you. This plan will temporarily suffice and take the place of the Directory.

It will greatly help to keep our records straight if you will advise the Ithaca office of any changes of address.

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The Chancellor has arranged for a number of men to do directed study while they are in the armed forces. After the rush of basic training is over, it is quite likely that our soldiers and sailors will find themselves with much spare time on their hands. This time can profitably be used for background reading and study in some subject of special interest to the individual. If there are other Telluriders or former Deep Springs men who wish to do directed study, they should address the Chancellor, indicating what they have already done in the field and what they would like to do. Then, either within our Association group or among outsiders, the Chancellor will try to find a first-class specialist in the field who is willing to direct the reading. The idea of taking a soldier or sailor under wing seems to appear to good teachers, and if Telluriders will do some work, this is an opportunity to keep up some intellectual interests. While it has little bearing on the work done, arrangements can be made with colleges to give credits for work satisfactorily done by our men. It may be a long time indeed before we can return to formal educational work, and this reading and study will serve to keep mental muscles from flabbiness.

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Since the Convention, a number of men have contributed to the Burr Fund, most of it new money not previously pledged. Stamps and bonds as well as cash have been contributed. It is hoped that more men who have not yet contributed will join in this community tribute to the memory of Professor Burr.

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