- 1944 CONVENTION AT WASHINGTON WEEKEND OF MAY 27 -

Secy. Bonham Campbell has issued the call for the 1944 Convention of the Association, to be held at Washington, D.C., the weekend of May 27, in accordance with a resolution passed by the 1943 Convention. Personal attendance of 28 of our 34 members will be necessary for a quorum. There is doubt, however, that a quorum can be reached because so many members are in the armed forces or doing work which they cannot leave. If there is not a quorum, Pres. Harvey Mansfield will likely declare a meeting of the Central Advisory Committee, a group created by the 1943 Convention to assume broad powers in case a convention should not be held. The membership of the CAC consists of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the Custodians, "and such other members of the Association, not fewer than five in number, as the President shall appoint for each meeting." The Convention has before it many matters of importance, such as finances, relations with Deep Springs, the reopening of the Cornell Branch, and other wartime and post-war problems.

Secy. Campbell this year sent out a special proxy form to be executed in duplicate by the members. Six individual members may be designated by name on the proxy, and then "All other members of Telluride Association in alphabetical order." In early April more than half the proxies had been returned to the Secy. The proxy-holder is given full power to act "in connection with the business of the 1944 Convention, at any and all sessions thereof, and in connection with the business of all subsequent annual and special Conventions, at any and all sessions thereof," until the writer of the proxy files a written revocation with the Secy.

Those wishing information on Convention arrangements should communicate with Bonham Campbell, 362 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington, Va.

****

- THORNHILL MEMORIAL FUND PLANS DEVELOP -

Sub-Committee men of the Endowment Committee have been designated in various sections of the country, and each group has been sent the names and addresses of Telluride associates to be approached for contributions to the Thornhill Memorial Fund. Already a number of individuals have made substantial pledges or contributions in cash. One old Pinhead recently wrote, "Herewith is a contribution to the Thornhill Memorial Fund. This seems the least I can do for one who spent as much effort as the good old Dean to keep us on the straight and narrow." Letters and conversations indicate general approval and support of the Fund and the double purpose it will serve.

The Fund will be a concrete expression of the esteem and affection of our associates for the Dean as well as a material support of the educational work of Deep Springs. Deep Springs has had during the past month two visiting lecturers who illustrate the stimulation and richness that may be added to the work at Deep Springs through such a source as the Thornhill Fund. Enrique de Lozada, former
Bolivian ambassador, gave seven talks on Bolivian history and current affairs; and Alumnus John Olmsted of the history staff of the Univ. of Calif., gave five talks on Napoleon, the Enlightenment, and the Revolution. The stimulating presence of such men at Deep Springs opens unusual possibilities for the Thornhill Fund, and shows the need for such a fund.

Mrs. Thornhill's recent note to the Editor may be of general interest; "I think the memorial foundation a fine idea. I wish he could know it -- having lecturers at the school was his hobby. I well remember it at Olmsted at the beginning. First it was entertainment, and Prof. Lund (E. Y. U.) used to bring up musicians, readers, etc., Virginia and I receive much comfort and happiness from the thought that he was loved and respected by his former students and associates. We are still getting letters from his old students. A beautiful letter came recently from Barclay Hudson -- from Lebanon, Syria. We miss him very much; he lived a long, useful happy life, and the world might call him old, but he never seemed, old to me."

Everybody may expect during the next few weeks a personal call, a telephone call, or a letter in which he is asked to contribute to this joint effort to honor Dean Thornhill and to help carry on the work begun by Mr. Nunn. Some have already anticipated the inevitable call by making their contributions early. Contributions are, of course, income tax exempt, and they should be made in favor of the Trustees of Deep Springs and sent to E. W. Johnson, Telluride Assn., Ithaca, N. Y., or handed to a local Committeeman.

* * * * * * *

-- CUSTODIANS MEET --

A meeting of the Custodians was held in Washington on March 21 with Custodians Campbell, Laise, Kelly, and Withrow present. Parker Monroe and Major Sibbett also attended.

An investment formula timing-plan was proposed by Laise. While the Custodians recognized that such a plan could be no substitute for judgment on particular issues, the proposal was generally supported. The formula plan calls for the use of $500,000.00, the entire trust portfolio, the Telluride Power securities and Utah Fire Clay stock excepted. The Dow-Jones Industrial Average at 155 would be the median line, and at that point holdings of stocks and bonds would be 50% each. Equalizing plan to hold between 105-165 on Dow-Jones Averages. Adjustments to be made at 55/45 ratio and 45/55 ratio. Between 105-85 (DJIA) ratio would be 2/3 stocks, 1/3 bonds; adjustments made at 55/45 ratio and 80/20 ratio. Below 85 (DJIA) ratio would be 3/4 stocks, 1/4 bonds; adjustments to be made at 65/35 ratio and 85/15 ratio. Between 165/185 (DJIA) ratio would be 1/3 stocks and 2/3 bonds; adjustments made at 45/55 ratio and 20/80 ratio. Above 185 (DJIA) ratio would be 1/4 stocks, 3/4 bonds; adjustments made at 35/65 and 15/85.

The present value of the formula portfolio is approximately one-half million dollars; stocks, $278,000.00, and bonds (or equivalent), $220,000.00. None of the additions to the Trust Fund is to be added to this fund, Withrow suggested the adoption of a policy to use Telluride House as soon as it is returned to the Assn. He suggested that all Assn. members, and possibly former students of Deep Springs, be permitted to live at the House up to the next regular Convention, upon their discharge from the armed forces, if they wish to
pursue any formal or informal course of study at Cornell. This would have the dual effect of assisting such members to make the transition back to private life as well as having a group there who can begin the rehabilitation of the House for its formal opening after the Convention is held. The Custodians agreed to refer this matter to the membership of the Asso. and invited comments.

* * * * *

DEEP SPRINGS NOTES

The season has been backward at Deep Springs. Only in the last few days of April did Nature seem to feel the goosing prod of Spring. The shade-trees are yellow-green with new foliage; the lawns and hayfields are emerald. The Valley is drafted with maroon-and-white baby Herefords, 500 of them by Charles Ulmeyer's estimate, an increase of over 10% over 1943. The Inyo and White Mts. are still with snow, much of it from the March storm which cut Deep Springs from the world for eight days. The water supply for irrigation appears promising, better than average. In the first rush of Spring, appropriately enough, Peter Robin L. Bergel was born, the heaviest (9 lbs.) of that amazing long list of babies born at Deep Springs in the past five years: sixty thousand square feet of garden has been plowed and leveled, and the seeds for the hardier plants have already gone in the earth. The new orchard has been set out — 48 apple trees and 53 pears: and a year's supply of potatoes (eight tons) will be raised among the young trees. The potatoes, the tenderer vegetables, and the new alfalfa will be in the ground by mid-May. The coldframe supports a thriving crop of young cabbages, tomatoes, peppers, etc., to be set in the garden later. A new hedge of Siberian Elms has been planted between Alumni Cottage and the Quarters Building to improve the view and to keep bounding tumbleweeds off the lawns. The reservoir has been cleaned, over 400 volumes — counting sets as individual volumes — have been added to the Deep Springs library during the academic year at a cost of a shade over one thousand dollars. Additional library space is one of the coming problems.

Work on the new cellar which replaces the old one back of the Boarding House is progressing. The stone and sand have been hauled, the hole has been dug, and the building of the heavy masonry walls is well under way. The cellar will be 16 x 25', divided into bins and shelves for vegetables and canned goods; double doors for insulation; ramp instead of steps for convenience, and electric lights will be features. Landscaping will be done when the cellar is completed.

The Trustees meet at Deep Springs on the weekend of May 20. A lordly carcass of beef 'hangs' in the cooling-room to grace the occasion; the students manfully look forward to the days of 'Trustee hash' that follow the Trustees' meeting.

Eleven members of the Student Body will enter the armed forces in the near future; of these, two will be drafted in May; one is desperately endeavoring to enter a reserve, and the remaining eight are already members of one of the armed forces reserves, subject to call in May, June, July, and Nov. The majority of the reservists, six in all, are members of the Navy V-12, subject to call in either May or Nov. They are: Richard Cornelison, Salt Lake City (June '43); Henry Jameson, Jr., Milwaukee (June '43); Lewis Kimball, Pasadena (Sept. '43); Bruce Laverty, Oakland (June '43); Richard Eomis, Shaker Heights (Feb. '43); Donald Pederson, Geneva, N. Y. (June '43) two other reservists are William Cowan, Shaker Heights (June '43) and Kenneth Mahony, Bronx (June '43). Cowan is a member of the Naval Air Corps Reserve, and Mahony is a member of the Army Air Corps Reserve. They will
be called in June and May respectively. Draftward bound in May, because of failure to pass the V-12 eye-test and the expiration of the ASTP respectively, are Julian MacDonald and Philip Robbins (both June '43). Arriving at that age in Aug. is Lindsey Grant, New York City (Feb. '43) who is determined to enter either the Naval Air Corps Reserve or the regular Navy in the near future.

* * * * * *

- PERSONAL NOTES -

Lieut. Richard Ament has transferred from Westover Field, Mass., and resides at 1223 Vermont Ave., N. W., Apt. 34, Washington, D. C. Harold Atkinson is with the Trundle Engineering Co., management engineers, at Cleveland, O. Until a few months ago Atkinson developed and taught camouflage technique for the military service. Capt. Wayne Bannister has been in the European area since he landed in Africa with the first invasion forces. One assignment was to have charge of the housing at the Casa Blanca conference of Generals Tedder, Alexander, deGaulle, and Geroud. Address: Hq. 7th Army, Judge Advocate, APO 788, New York City. K. R. Bergeth and wife now reside at 317 Dryden Rd., Ithaca, N. Y. Bergeth has been engaged to teach German until June in the USMAP program at Cornell Univ. 1st Lieut. Robert Boechever has been transferred to Co. D, 471st Infantry Battalion, APO 883, New York City.

Lynn Forlase reports that reading in the NL of the experiences of younger members in the service reminds him of his experiences in France and gives him itchy feet. He writes: "Being too old for the army I have tried to do my bit in other ways and have had considerable satisfaction seeing some results of my work take form in army cantonments, airports, depots, and arsenals. As you know, I am with the Westinghouse Elec. Co., in the capacity of Sales Engineer, which position I have had for some twenty years, and being that long with one organization, more than likely I will continue my span on this earth with them.... This is just a line from one of the older fellows, who, still feels like he would like to take a few days and cut the lawn or take a shift at either Ulied, Bliss, or Beaver. You might remember me to all of the fellows I know and give my best wishes to the younger fellows whose acquaintance I hope to make some day. Address: 1227 Emerson Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah.

S/S Hugh Davy and S/S Henry Hayes are members of the USCOR at San Francisco. Seaman Davy's address: Room 1221-23, 111 Sutter St., San Francisco; Seaman Hayes' address: Box 435, RD 1, Mill Valley, Calif.

Lieut. John Jeffersenn of the Army Air Corps writes, "Though I had long hoped to fly a night fighter or a light or medium attack bomber, today finds me as pilot on B-17 Flying Fortress. Not quite so thrilling, but a real job in its own way. It seems to be my first true opportunity to put what experience in handling responsibility and leadership gained at Deep Springs into actual practice. Ten men in the crew of your ship are depending on the pilot to direct them in their activities and bring them all back safe, and the government has entrusted the pilot also with better than a quarter of a million dollars worth of airplane and equipment, which is a pretty big order in our eyes. There is a very real satisfaction in handling 25 tons of plane and 5,000 horsepower. At present I am assigned to this gunnery school, flying high and middle altitude air-to-air missions, air-ground gunnery missions, and photographic missions...." Address: S. O. D. B-17, Y. A. A. F., Yuma, Ariz.
N. B. Dinkel has been appointed Pacific Coast representative of the Crosley Corp. He has been associated with the appliance industry since 1927 and has spent much of that time on the Pacific Coast. For two years he has been engaged in war work in the San Francisco Bay area for a contracting syndicate in charge of a recruiting program, operating in widely scattered points, through which men were employed for construction projects on islands in the Pacific. The Dinkels live at 2245-C Santa Clara Ave., Alameda, Calif.

Major L. R. Fournier (Communications Dept., AA School, Blg. 1688, Camp Davis, N. C.) writes, "Since my arrival here my work has been quite diversified. At first I was instructing officer classes, then became sub-section chief for a bunch of peew classes that were sent here when the civilian schools training soldiers closed down. A rush job came up at department of training publications and about thirty officers were sent there, myself included, to get out an antiaircraft artillery training manual. This job lasted until the first of March. Prior to this time, the officers' student battalion was awaiting my release from the D. M. F. to take over a number of French officers who are here from North Africa taking one or two many courses. I find this work of French liaison officer very interesting and am getting along fine with my charges. This job will last until the middle of May, and then I am going to take a furlough..." Major Fournier's peacetime job is General Supt. of the Telluride Power Co.

Bail forfeiture of $15.00 was recorded on April 22 by the Ithaca, N. Y., police against James Godfrey, arrested on "disorderly conduct charges in connection with tempering of street signs." Godfrey is taking chemical engineering at Cornell. Address on the police blotter: 217 West Ave., Ithaca. Home address: 210 Williams St., Ithaca. Clayton Grandy, that experienced hand at trade association management, has returned to Cleveland after two years in Washington. He is now Executive Secretary of the Steel Products Warehouse Assn., Inc., with offices at 1060 Union Commerce Blg., Cleveland 14. Bruce Granger is working for his doctorate in English at Cornell in addition to teaching. He received his master's degree last summer with a thesis on the novelist Melville. Address, 210 University Avenue.

Pfc. Alfred Harding has been transferred from his ASTP work at Carleton College and has been at Camp Ritchie, Md. 100 2. Bt. Trng. En. 8. B1. only a few days. He writes, "My personal post-war program is purposely hazy, because a lot can happen between now and then. Still, unless things change drastically, I look forward to returning to Cornell, and even Telluride if it can be managed. The more I see of other colleges and students, the more I realize how fortunate I was to have had a year at the House before entering the Army."

Pvt. Stephen Hay writes under date of April 3, "Here I am at an Infantry Replacement Training Center, learning the lesson of mice and men and looking forward to crossing the waters in early August. In view of the facts, I have much to think about, still on the problem of life and its meaning. My environment contrasts quiet Swarthmore and academic Haverford and makes me more conscious of the many imperfections of mankind and his pseudo-civilization. All in all, I find myself quite happy in doing things with representatives of 'the masses' and in reflecting -- simply that -- on all the whys and wherefores governing myself and the world. I feel quite at home, in a way, as though I had moved back to Deep Springs, for food and sleep play larger parts in the drama of desires, and the conversation follows the almost same pattern as that of a lazy, if gifted, yahoo.

"After reading the latest NL, I had some thoughts about DS&TA and its ideology--
I never took the religious setting of Mr. Nunn's 'purpose' very seriously, but now I am convinced that moral order does and should exist in the universe, that the upward rise of civilization is a religious force (though one no pope can claim to administer and few clergymen serve), and most especially that the superior man is obligated to lead his less fortunate brothers. And I stress the fact that the TA man was simply luckier than others when the brains and the education were passed out. From what I know of him, his conduct manifests little gratitude, for he seems to look after his own intellectual or material comfort first and do the charity work in his spare time. His conscience may be slightly more developed than the contemporary mores demand, but I still don't think it is right for him to be so self-seeking. I have learned a lot since leaving DS, but humility has been my most important lesson. Even now it is natural for me to see how much I have in common with the 'common man,' rather than how much better I am than he, and specifically how I should become uncommon. Anyway, I am coming closer to an idea of what I want to do in this world, provided I am still in it after the war. At present, I do a good deal more writing than reading; my companions wonder whether the philosophies recorded in a pocket notebook at all opportunities will eventually be published as a book, and frequently address me as 'Har-grove' Hay. So the Army is at this juncture agreeable. Address: Co. A, 5th Infy. Training Battalion, Camp Wheeler, Ga.

A/C Herman E. John (Sq. I, Sec. 1509, A/C Pre-Tech. School, Seymour Johnson Field, N. C.) completed 14 months in the service on March 25, one year of it to complete a Pre-Meteorology course at the Univ. of Minn. He is now back in the Army and for 12 weeks will take an intensified officer's training course. He writes, "I have been classified for communications; and when I finish my present training, I shall go to Yale for 20 weeks of technical training from which I hope to graduate a 2nd Lieut. . . . The NL interred me greatly the last months with its discussion on DS. I have been carrying on a private argument with Albert Votaw over his article and come near Stephen Hay in my ideas about DS. Briefly, I believe more attention must be paid to the individual and should result in greater flexibility, a virtue of DS that makes it unique among institutions that actually have more to offer in liberal arts, and especially science courses. A search for a balance between group control and individual flexibility must be made, and I think can best be found in some vacation system which allows students time both to attend other, more-specialized institutions and to appreciate the silent halls. It is a big order, but no radical change is necessary. At any rate, the forthright discussion is wholesome."

2nd Lieut. Bruce Johnston and Miss Harriet Lou Polling were married on March 31 at Wilmington, N. C. Johnston has for some months taught gunnery at Camp Davis, N. C. Address: Gunnery Sect. T1506, AAA School, Camp Davis, N. C.

 Pvt. F. T. Kircham (Cornell Univ. Med. School, 1200 York Ave., New York City 21) writes, "My work is progressing rapidly and fairly successfully thus far. I could almost sum it up by saying that now I could read etymology Johnson's letters without the support of a dictionary. I do not feel any handicap from the lack of 'biological background' which certain of my academic advisors at Cornell frowned
upon, but I am glad that I dodged a few terms of prerequisites and went over an
advisor's head to get a good course in embryology from Adelmann. The medical
school regimen is not too rigorous, fortunately, and I find time to humor other
interests, particularly music. Most of my reading is foreordained, but Henry
Gray is not the only author on my bookshelf. My eyes are surprising me -- the good
one remains good, and the one with the fuzzy cornea is improving markedly, two
years after the infection. I had visions of increasing difficulty as I took on
more intensive microscope work, but now it looks as though these misgivings were
quite out of place. . . . . The NL is heartily welcomed by the Cornell Medical Col-
lege branch of DS -- and with three members we ought to rank high among the de-
pleted sub-branches, at least. I'm particularly glad to hear that there will be a
real effort to support lecturers at DS by more than a nodding of the head. . . .
Terry Mirkil (S.S.D., Hq.S.O.S., APO 887, New York City) reports that he is very
well pleased with his lot at present -- doing nothing resembling anything he was
taught over here. He's in England now. I've had visits with Japanese-scholar
Hugh Nash, who expects another three months of work at Minn., and Officer Candidate
Howard Turner, now stationed in New Jersey."

Ralph Kleps (275 Bush St., San Francisco 4) is engaged in an investigation of
California administrative boards and commissions. The State Judicial Council was
instructed to investigate and to report to the next legislature, and Kleps is ac-
ting as director of its administrative agencies survey. He finds the work both
interesting and important but "difficult to explain to a non-lawyer." Ralph and Pat Kleps report the birth of their second son on Feb. 18 -- Douglas
John. Their older son Christopher is now two years old.

Michael Kunig (878 Rivermont Dr., Pittsburgh 7, Pa.) writes, "My work with Car-
negie-Illinois has been an interesting one. Helping to make a big steel plant
still bigger becomes quite a number of new experiences. My responsibility has
been to take care of design of small buildings and what-nots or whatever we call
them, namely office buildings, laboratories, sanitary stations, maintenance shops,
oil pumping and storage houses, etc., on which I used to spend 9 1/2 days a week or
so. That accounted for most of my time. . . . . So far I had no chance to get to the
armed services, though I had made a couple of attempts. So to do at least some-
ting I found an interest in organizing blood donations and collections of dif-
ferent funds, going around talking at different occasions (though it is very hard
for me) and having lots of fun in the Steel Works chorus. Otherwise, my
spiritual development is at standstill. . . . . Little Ivan is a big fellow. At the ad-
vanced age of seven weeks he is tipping the scale at 12;2. He seems to be de-
termined not to forego his meals and in A. M. he firmly believes that the early
bird catches the worm. 'We both enjoy reading the NL. It gives me a feeling as
if old friends were talking from far away.'"

Dr. Raymond G. McKelvey has contributed a number of booklets on South American
countries to the DS reading table. He writes, "It has been a long time since I
have seen you and had a chance to catch up. However, the NL continues to serve as
an excellent vicarious substitute for direct contact with old friends; . . . I have
been doing a special job for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs and the
Dept. of State through the medium of this So. Calif. Council of Inter-American
Affairs, since May 1 of last year. In addition I am continuing with a part-time
teaching stint at Occidental College, as well as a weekly radio round-table for
the Los Angeles Daily News. So you know I'm busy. . . . . I had the pleasure of seeing
Major Carl Allen at the Officers' Club of the Los Angeles Port of Embarkation
Lieut. Col. O. C. McShane of the Army Air Forces was promoted from major early this spring and assigned for duty with the Army Air Forces Training Command, which is responsible for the entire flying and technical training of all persons in the Army Air Forces. Serving as commandant of Cadets at the Pecos Army Air Field, he was ordered Feb. 1 for temporary duty at Ft. in Fort Worth to establish the Selection Provisions and rating procedures in connection with the administration of the Flight Officers Act. At the end of the temporary duty, Coli. McShane, an authority on Aviation Cadet procedures and training, was permanently assigned to the Hq. of the Training Command as chief of the student section A-1. His responsibilities necessitate inspection trips over the entire country. McShane in civilian life is Supt. of Generation of the Telluride Power Co. He was Utah State Representative of the 20th Legislative District prior to his call to active duty. Address: Hq. Army Air Forces Training Command, Fort Worth 2, Texas.

Pfc. Donald B. Meyer (Co. M, 263rd Infantry, 86th Div. APO 454, Camp Robinson, Ark.) writes, "The NL is awfully good reading, even in gusts between chow and night formations. It is nice to know that Deep Springer are doing things in the war; more fun, though, to read the eternal philosophizing about the place and things in general in the personal notes. My route here lends through several months of Signal Corps training, seven splendid months, at Columbia, Mo.; studying German in the ASTP, and one day of classification which landed me in a machinegun platoon when the government began to ship the whole ASTP to the infantry. Soon we go to Alabama."

Lieut. Col. Frank Monaghan was promoted from his majority on Feb. 19 and assigned to the Analysis Branch, News Division of the Bureau of Public Relations of the War Dept. with the title of Chief of Analysis Branch. This Branch provides research, information, press intelligence, radio intelligence, wire service bulletins, and special projects for the Secy. of War, Chief of Staff, and other key officials of the Dept.... In Jan. Gen. Arnold published the following commendation: "It is desired to commend Major Frank Monaghan for his skillful and successful work in assembling an outstanding group of historians for a special project of importance for the effective prosecution of the war. Major Monaghan was charged with making all arrangements of planning and directing the work of the historians, and with the preparation of the report. These duties were executed in an exceptionally skillful, diplomatic, and efficient manner...."

Leonard J. Moore (3362 Kerckhoff Ave., Fresno, Calif.), after an illness of more than a year, retired on Feb. 1 from active service after 53 years with the San Joaquin Power Div. of the Pacific Gas & Elec. Co. For 15 years he had held the position of Executive Engineer. Moore suffered a stroke on Feb. 13, 1943, which paralyzed his left arm and left leg. He writes, "I have recovered the use of my leg to the point that I can walk fairly well, though the knee and ankle are still stiff. My left arm and hand are still practically useless, and although my general health is good otherwise, the doctors believe I should not again undertake heavy responsibility because of danger of other attacks." A month after his graduation in 1908 from Iowa State, Moore began work for the Telluride Power Co. at Olmsted. During the three years he was with the TPCo. he was at Grace and Logan doing varied work. In the autumn of 1909 he took charge of the old Institute's school for employees at Logan Station. On behalf of his many old Telluride associates, the NL sends its greetings and best wishes to Mr. Moore.

Philip W. Moore has moved to 22 Roosevelt Ave., Buffalo 15, N. Y. Hugh Nash has been ordered to do another three months of work on Japanese language at Univ. of Minn. Nash spent much of his earlier years in the Orient, speaks Chinese, wants to be in the Air Force because he knew how to fly, studies Japanese.
DR. John Newell writes: "I am keeping up the production of serums for the State of Mass. I am concerned with the purification of anti-pneumococcus type I, anti-influenza bacillus, anti-meningococcus serums also diphtheria antitoxin and placental extract for the modification of measles. We also make up silver nitrate for putting in new-born babies' eyes... I am rushed... A month or more ago Herbert Reich showed up, having just arrived at Cambridge. We had a pleasant visit one evening, but we haven't seen him since. I imagine that he is very busy with his radio research and trying to find a house into which to move his family:... Jim Mansfield went overseas before Christmas with the Boston City Hosp. Unit..." The Newells have moved into their new home: 5 Elwell Road, Jamaica Plain 30, Mass.

 Pvt. James Olin (Co. H, 800th STR, Camp Crowder, Mo.) writes, "My experience in the G.I. radio school continues to be interesting. The methods here are entirely practical as opposed to those at Cornell. We learn nothing that is not going to be used in practice. It is amazing that the army can take the ordinary enlisted man who has had no more than a high school education and give him enough theory and practice to repair radios in two or three months. My respect for this school has increased immensely, and I have picked up many new teaching methods which may prove valuable some day." Pvt. Thomas Palfrey is taking Signal Corps basic training, to be followed by 11-20 weeks of training in cryptography or radio sending and receiving, or messenger service. Address: Co. A, 30th Sig. Tng. Br., C.S.C.R.T.C., Bks. T-855, Camp Crowder, Mo. Waldo Hall (5558 S. Ellis, Chicago 37) was graduated with a major in physics from Washington Univ. in Feb., and elected associate member of Sigma Xi. He writes, "The last ten months was really quite a grind, since I was working from 40-46 hours weekly on our cyclotron from midnight to eight and trying to carry a slightly more than full schedule in the daytime at the Univ." Hall now has a job with the Metallurgical Laboratory under the Univ. of Chicago doing war work. He continues, "I feel that DS should go back completely to the college level as soon as it can, since I think that, had I and the group been much younger, I would not have gotten nearly so much out of it. Also I think that the method of teaching is much better adapted to the college level. It seems, though, that the group is doing a very creditable job, in spite of their more intensive work and their slightly lower age average."

Commander Harry E. Redeker, USNR, taught at junior college until 1939, at which time he was called into active service as Instructor-Officer at the U. S. Naval Academy. At present, Commander Redeker is head of the Chemistry Committee, Dept. of Elec. Engineering at the Academy. He was instructor at Beaver Branch in 1912-13 and later taught at the Rupert and Boise high schools. He spent four years at research with the Federal Telegraph Co. During this time he completed the doctorate work in chemistry at Stanford and received his Ph. D. in 1932. Lieut. A. A. Ross, USNR, recently mobilized in a coast, Lieut. Ross has been able with the aid of a cane to continue active duty. Ross' address: 1216 Floribumia, Burlingame, Calif.

Charles Schaeffer is General Agent of the Mass. Mutual Life at Rochester, N. Y. (Suite 624, Lincoln-Alliance Bank Bldg.) Active in war work, for two years he has been vice-president of the Rochester Blood Donors Service of the Red Cross, the 5th center established, and served on the Special Committee for the Red Cross War Fund drive, helping to make Rochester the 10th city to reach its quota. He is chairman of the Health & Safety Committee of the Boy Scouts and serves on the local Executive Board; he is Dist. Chairman of the Community Chest. President Day of Cornell recently asked Schaeffer to serve on the Board of Governors of Willard Straight Hall, student union. Home address: Persons Lane, Rochester 10, N. Y.

Cpl. Karl Schmeider has left Cornell. He writes, "My time at Cornell passed too quickly. I was extremely fortunate in receiving my B.A. in Feb. My luck also held, for I managed to squeeze through with honors in general studies and honors in govern-
ment. I spent my last term, after I had graduated, in the Law School. Until late May my address is A-2, A. R. T. C., Fort Knox, Ky.; then it is Armored School OCS, Co. 2, Fort Knox. I met Lieut. Arthur McTaggart at Ft. Sill. He's taking an advanced course in Full Track Vehicles. With not very much else to do, he says he has plenty of opportunity to further his reading. His partial address is Staff & Faculty, F. A. School, F. T. V. S., Motor School, Fort Sill, Okla." George S. Stewart (1916 N. Las Palmas St., Hollywood) writes that he is mowing lawns by day and going to radio school by night, learning announcing and keeping in trim vocally for the day when he may be on the air with musical accompaniment in place of commercials.

235129 Capt. Charles Tomlinson writes on March 31, "The Convention NL (1943) reached me in Italy. Many thanks. Haven't seen home shores for nearly two years. Regular letters from 'Pak' -- he seems to be keeping fit and hard at work on another novel... As for myself, this blasted war has balled up four perfectly good years.

Although I can't say I've really regretted the experience. You can't just imagine the Tommy you knew doing four years in the Army. Two of them were spent on the AA guns at home. The balance of the period has been spent from the jungles of Africa to the deserts of the M. E. and here. You can picture me enlisting and training African natives, drilling them through an interpreter in a clearing in the forest, trying to explain the meaning of a latrine and what paper is for; later lecturing them on current affairs, first having explained the shape of the earth by means of an orange. Listening and trying to sort out their family problems, interviewing a wife to find out why she had misbehaved herself. Solomon wasn't in it. But as I say, I wouldn't have missed it. But I would like to see home again. Prospects loom brighter every day, though I guess I've got the rest of this year to do..."

Address: No. 1 Dillution Co., Hq. W. A. A. M. C., 'B' African & Colonial Base Camp, C. M. F.

Hugh Toole is on his last term at the College of Chem. Engineering, Cornell. Address: 210 University Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.

Major Robt. Lt. Cavanaugh writes under date of April 20, "I'm in China and am allowed to say that I'm in Chungking. Though my orders reached me at Camp Berkeley on 29 Nov. for overseas, I've been here only a short time. Spent many weeks in India awaiting completion of all types of arrangements required for assignment and actually reaching this destination.... In India I had an opportunity of visiting one of the world's best known colleges of tropical medicine and seeing wardfuls of smallpox, cholera, leptospirosis, and a few rabies cases. Leprosy is treated like rhinitis or bronchitis there, as so many cases cannot be segregated. My contact with wild life was limited to study of one biocellate cobra 4½' long, killed 100 yards from my shack, and to nightly choruses of omnipresent invisible jackals." The Major would like to meet other TA men in China. Address: Forward Echelon, Hq., U.S. Army Forces, CBI, APO 879, New York City.

Capt. Em. C. Layton writes on May 2, "I'm still assigned to the medical service of Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville, Penn., and kept very busy treating those returned from the various theaters of operation. How much longer I shall be here I don't know."

Lieut. Arthur McTaggart (S&F, FAS, FTVC, Motor Transport, Ft. Sill, Okla.) writes, "I'm teaching now in the tractor course here at the school -- a new department, which does have its advantages. My classes have both enlisted men and officers in them..."

** * * *

The Minutes of the 1943 Convention were received from the printer on May 9. They will be distributed to Association members at once.