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## SALISBURY ACCEPTS 1954 - 55 LECTURESHIP

### APPEAL FOR DS, TA FUNDS BY DONALD E. CLAUDY

Both Deep Springs and Telluride Association require outside financial support to maintain their traditional standards of education. Because both institutions rate such support, the Committee to Raise Funds for Deep Springs and Telluride Association is bringing their economic difficulties to the attention of their friends who are again being requested to make financial contributions as a measure of appreciation and out of a desire to see Mr. Nunn's sort of education continued.

Last year's total contributions of about \$6,500 was a substantial decrease in a source of income that has become very important to both Deep Springs and the Association. That reduced income meant a budgeted deficit for this year's operations at Deep Springs, despite the Association's appropriation, of which \$3,500 of necessity was drawn from needed reserves. Last year's level of giving resulted from the fact that many people were not approached, and not from any general apathy to the financial needs of Deep Springs and Telluride. This year twenty-three area captains and a considerably larger number of solicitors agreed to take on the large job of approaching some 700 individuals. Their efforts should result in total donations at the very least equivalent to the \$12,000 and the \$13,000 of the two years previous to the last.

The large number of people who volunteered to work for the drive this year bodes well for a successful appeal. A general letter, detailing the needs of Deep Springs and the Association, went out late in October. Solicitation in person is now going forward by way of follow-up to that letter to impress the urgency of the need for outside income. The bulk of contributions to date has come from recent alumni and students. As the drive progresses, it is expected that average donations will increase as older alumni and those who were not reached last year contribute.

Past requests for funds for the benefit of Deep Springs and Telluride show that when the question is really put to the friends of these institutions, help is forthcoming. Deep Springs is in the position where further budget cuts would endanger its proper functioning. Assistance to Deep Springs from the Association is not enough. The Association itself is restricted to a budget inadequate to attract a sufficiency of excellent men. Those who know Deep Springs or Telluride from personal experience  
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Harrison Salisbury, noted New York Times foreign correspondent, has accepted the invitation of the Telluride Lectureship Committee to deliver the Lectureship Series of 1954-55. Mr. Salisbury delivered two public lectures and participated in a panel discussion during the week of January 2nd, 1955. During the time of his lectures, January 3rd to January 5th, he resided at Cornell Branch.

Mr. Salisbury was born in 1908. He has made his career as a newspaperman; in 1930 he joined the staff of the United Press, covering the case of the Chicago gang wars. Transferred to Washington, D. C., he worked as a domestic reporter until the outbreak of World War II. At that time he was sent to London to head up the UP bureau and direct its European coverage. Special assignments took him to North Africa and Teheran to cover the Big Four meeting. During 1944 he travelled extensively in Russia, visiting liberated cities and the front areas.

In 1949 Mr. Salisbury became a member of the staff of the New York Times, and shortly thereafter became its Moscow correspondent. In the course of his travels, he reached many Russian areas usually unavailable to foreign correspondents. His first-hand acquaintance with Soviet Asia is exceptionally broad. Since  
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## CORNELL BRANCH NOTES

BY HANS TYLER

Somewhat undermanned, the Cornell Branch lines have been cast and the crew is coordinating well after its start on another successful cruise. Members reported in early fall for an informal orientation program, carried on under the supervision of Robert Fortune. The highlight of that program was a talk by Chancellor E. M. Johnson on the History of the Branch and the Association. Other phases of the program were: a discussion of the relationship of the Branch to the campus community, and a program on the "Purpose and Plan of Cornell Branch and Telluride Association."

At the second house meeting of the year the term's officers were chosen; the roster stands as follows: Davidson-President, Fortune-Vice-President, Kehoe-Treasurer, Miller-Assistant-Treasurer, Chao and Tyler-Advisory Committee, Naismith-Secretary, Washburn-Newsletter Editor, and, finally, Czap-Catputter.

A major time-consuming activity during the first four weeks of the term has been the Undergraduate Guest Committee work. As a committee of the whole, the branch contacted upwards of 110 undergraduates, mostly freshmen; sixty and more were dined and interviewed at the Branch during the first three weeks of the term. With that accomplished, the regular UGC, under the guidance of Paul Szasz, completed the selection. October 18th, five men were granted preferment at the Branch for the remainder of 1954-55. Two are foreign graduate students.

Dick Tillman, from Minneapolis, is a sophomore in the Chemical Engineering School. Two freshmen, Tom Nagel and John Smith, were admitted; the former from Rye, New York, and the latter an Ithacan; both are enrolled in the Arts School. Vangala Ram is engaged in advanced work in sociology; like Vaidyanathan, who is studying economics, Ram's home is in India. Rogers Albritton, an instructor of philosophy, is in residence at the Branch for the entire year. Dr. Georg Henrik von Wright, visiting professor to the Department of Philosophy, will return to Finland in February.

The Faculty-Guest Relations Committee, chaired by Peter Czap, has brought many visitors to the House: guest lecturers, research specialists, and Oxford debaters.

The University Messenger Lecturer, Dr. Konrad Lorenz, of the Max Planck Institute in Berlin spent three weeks at the Branch with his charming wife. The subject of his lectures was ethology, the study of instinctive animal behavior. Dr. Lorenz told his stories with a zest that made the social protocol of wildlife real. Dr. Frederick Seitz, the University Baker Lecturer from the University of Illinois,

and Professor T. B. Worth, an Englishman visiting America to study industrial engineering and management also stayed at the house. The Branch was fortunate to be able to entertain Judge Carroll Whitman, and Mr. H.R. Waldo, who stopped off on his return from Europe. Dr. and Mrs. Kuenen, also spent their Cornell stay at the Branch, while Dr. Kuenen delivered one second Messenger series.

A less formal side of Branch life has included an active social program: Gill Boehringer, Entertainment Committee Chairman, scheduled several record dances and an alumni weekend party which included a candle-lit dinner, an evening of dancing, and entertainment. Hayrides, houseparty, occasional cocktail parties, a triumph over Dartmouth, and a glee club concert climaxed the social calendar for Fall Weekend. The yuletide season will be celebrated by a semi-formal dance: - a live band and all the trimmings.

Public Speaking and seminar programs are well under way; managed respectively by Marty Washburn and Hal Schimmel. The topic for this fall's seminar program is to be "The Problem of the Twentieth Century Artist in Society," covering the field from literature through music, painting, poetry, and the motion picture, to politics and its relation to the arts in general. The purpose and plan of TA and a discussion of the work requirement have been included as part of the formal public speaking program.

The house has undergone major redecoration since the start of the term. All the student rooms on the top floor have been painted, and showers and new tile installed in the adjoining baths. Guest rooms on the second floor have also been redone, and the walls in the foyer and the Dutch have been painted varying shades of green.

An oak cabinet, to hold the hi-fi set and the house record collection has been fixed to the north wall of the music room. Tripod floor-lamps have been bought for that room and the ballroom, and new ceiling lights have been suspended from the ceilings of the entrance hall and the stairwell.

Cabinet makers, door planers, painters, electricians and plumbers have now departed and the renovation is almost complete.

The Registrar of Cornell University has published the annual tabulation of grades of undergraduates for the academic year 1953-54. For the first year, Cornell Branch failed to top all fraternities and associations for the academic year. With its average of 80.68, the Branch was topped by one fraternity and one sorority, with averages of 80.69, and 80.82. The average of all undergraduates was 77.06; of non-fraternity men, 76.71; of all men, 76.22; of fraternity men, 75.90, Non-sorority women ranked 79.93, all women 79.63, and sorority women 79.30. The University average of 77.06, continues the slight downward trend since 1950-51 when the average was 77.68.

**DEEP SPRINGS NOTES  
BY ROBERT BUSHNELL**

Two Staffmen are leaving DS to enter business: Reeve Deason and W.G.Greenman. The Commodore is associating himself with a newly formed oil corporation in southern California; Reeve is going into a tungsten-milling operation in Gabbs, Nevada. By surprising both the Greenmans and the Deasons with parties and gifts before their departure, we were at least able to express our appreciation for jobs well done. Then to ease their moving loads, student volunteers loaded and trucked their furniture. Fortunately we have gained two excellent replacements: Trustee and former Deep Springer Hal R. Roodhouse, for so many years the one-man Trustee committee on ranch improvement, has become the new Director; Mr. Norman Myers of Pasadena has filled the mechanic's position. The transition has been wonderfully smooth. We welcome our new Director; with his knowledge and experience and his stabilizing temperment he seems a natural for the job.

Academically at Deep Springs a renovation is in progress. Student Body and faculty alike have been critically examining the Deep Springs academic program. The faculty has proposed and is putting into effect, experimentally, a plan which they hope will unite all basic fields of knowledge into one educational picture. The core of the program will be one required three-year course in the History of Western Civilization and Thought. Supplementary lectures on all subjects given by the various appropriate professors will be tied together by a basic thread of historical thought. It is believed that such a course would insure each student a basic liberal education and at the same time provide more stimulation for independent study and thought. Courses outside of the History of Western Civilization and Thought would be provided on an elective basis.

**GREENMAN RESIGNS; ROODHOUSE  
APPOINTED AS NEW DIRECTOR**



HALYN R. ROODHOUSE

(The following account was written for the Newsletter by Trustee F. C. Noon.)

When Commodore Greenman was being considered for the position of Director at Deep Springs, he told the Trustees that he had plans which might develop and make it necessary for him to leave at some indefinite time in the future. He was engaged with that understanding. Last fall he reported that he would like to be relieved whenever that could be done without injury to the institution. Fortunately Halyn R. Roodhouse was so situated that he could be drafted to fill the vacancy.

Commodore Greenman left at Thanksgiving time, but returned for the Trustees' meeting on December 3rd. The best wishes of the Trustees are extended to him and Mrs. Greenman. They will be missed.

Mr. Roodhouse's long connection with Deep Springs as a student, a loyal alumnus, and a Trustee, have given him unique training for the place of administrative head of Deep Springs. He became a student there in 1923 when he was 17. At the end of three years he entered Pomona College. In 1928 he married Alice Eye. They have one daughter and a grandson. For about twelve years Hal worked for the Pomona Pump Company, then established his own export and contracting firm which does business in various parts of the world, but principally in Mexico.

During the years Hal has served as Trustee, he has given devoted service to Deep Springs. He believes in it and will be an effective agent in carrying out the policies set by the Trustees.



Standing 1-r: Turpin, Robinson, D. Greer, Hays Ames, Smith, Gibson, Hardy, W. Greer, Cook, Bushnell, Paulson, Mawby.  
Seated 1-r: Rinehart, Webb, White, Cleaver, Birdleough.

his recent return, his revealing (and for the first time uncensored) articles have received broad coverage in the Times and elsewhere.

Mr. Salisbury's lectures were concerned with the present industrial and economic situation of Russia, as well as the social and intellectual climate before and after the death of Stalin. He will serve on a panel which will include Professors Mario Einaudi, of the Government Department; M. Gardner Clark, of the Industrial and Labor Relations School; and Marc Szeftel, whose work in the Department of History is in Russian studies.

## NEW FUNDS.....(continued)

ence know them to be worthwhile educational plans. To maintain those educational plans, the personal financial assistance of a great many people is necessary. By the next issue of the Newsletter, we hope we can report that the beliefs of the drive's sponsors and workers are shared by the necessary number of donors and that their efforts were worthwhile.

## BIRTHS

Born: Anne Elizabeth Conable, Nov. 26 at Batavia, N. Y. First child of the Barber Conables.

Roxanne, born on Aug. 23, First child of Robert and Anne Richter.

## DEATHS

Mrs. Estell Knight Biersach, wife of W. L. Biersach, Sr., died suddenly of a heart attack on Aug. 13 at the home of her son in Alhambra, Calif. She is survived by her husband, her son W. L., Jr., and by a grandson, William Lewis, III, born in May, 1953.

Born in 1881 in Provo, Utah, Mrs. Biersach attended Proctor Academy and B. Y. U. in Provo and was graduated from Oberlin College in 1900. She and Mr. Biersach were married in 1901, and many old Telluride associates joined them in the celebration of their golden wedding three years ago.

Constitutional-Member David Boy-Smith, 63, died in Chicago on Oct. 9 after an illness of about three weeks following an operation. After the service at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, burial was at the Clermont (Fla.) Cemetery. Boyd-Smith is survived by his widow, Frances.

Boyd-Smith was an engineer. Much of his professional work was with the development and operation of utilities and in connection with securities and investment. During the War, he worked with the Navy Dept. on the Price Adjustment Board.

## PERSONALS

Dr. Robert Sproull, Assoc. Prof. of Physics at Cornell, has been appointed Editor of the Journal of Applied Physics, monthly publication of the American Institute of Physics. Sproull has published numerous articles on electronic properties of ionic crystals and on thermionics, and is a consultant for the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and for Bendix Aviation Corp.

Morton Weinstein has sent to the Assn. files a reprint of his Histopathological Changes in the Brain in Schizophrenia: A Critical Review which appeared in the A. M. A. Archives of Neurology & Psychiatry in May, 1954.

Dr. L. F. Audrieth gave the East Tenn. ACS Lectures at Oak Ridge and Knoxville and a lecture in Washington in early Nov. He is a member of the Picatinny Arsenal Scientific Advisory Council and also a member of the Chemical Corps Advisory Council and Chairman of the Agents Committee. He has quite a group doing doctoral research under his direction, mainly in nitrogen chemistry, non-aqueous solvents, and the chemistry of phosphorus. He writes: I have found teaching and research a most rewarding life work.

Philip Hanawalt has begun graduate study at the Yale school of physics for a doctorate in bio-physics. He holds a teaching fellowship in the Physics Dept. He worked last summer for Dow Chemical Co. as a research chemist in the bio-chem lab after graduation in June from Oberlin College.

Married: Steven Weinberg and Miss Louise Linda Goldwasser on Sept. 8 in London, England. Weinberg is studying on a National Science Foundation grant in Copenhagen.

Allen Galson and Miss Nirelle Judith Alkalay were married in London on June 21. Galson studied in England last year on a Fulbright grant and is currently working for GE at Schenectady on their Atomic Energy Study Group in the Atomic Products Division.

Donald Meyer and Genevieve Rogge were married in Westwood, Calif., on June 5. Historian Meyer resides at 43 Commonwealth Ave., Boston.

As of the first days of December, the Committee to Raise Funds for Deep Springs and Telluride Association has received \$3,473.25.

The Newsletter finds itself in a position financially untenable. Donations will make it possible to continue printing this year.