TA Initiates 2-Year Program Of Women at CB

A two-year experimental program of partial preference for women students at Cornell Branch of Telluride Association was approved by the 1961 Convention.

Five women were extended the privileges of the Branch for the coming year, and the Resident Guest Committee was authorized to seek out candidates to apply to the 1962 Convention.

It is proposed a slate of between four and six women be granted preference next year.

In observance of University rules, the women this year, as during the year just past, will not live at the Branch, although they will have two rooms at their disposal for study, clothes, and relaxation.

They will take their noon and evening meals at the Branch, serve on Branch committees, speak and vote at Branch meetings, and in all ways other than residence be members of the student body at the Branch.

University Pleased

University officials, Convention was told, are pleased with the experiment and favor its continuation.

The program was initiated by the 1960-61 Branch on its own. Costs of meals during the Spring were borne by using gifts to the Branch by friends and guests. Candidates were chosen through a screening process similar to that used by Conventions.

In reviewing the proposal of the Branch that their program be approved and adopted by the Association, the Convention's Cornell Branch Committee noted two divergent arguments supporting the program.

All proponents, it was pointed out, argued that there is need in America and at Cornell in particular for true co-education apart from the stereotyped social level. They argued further that (Continued on Page 2)

Third TASP Set At Cornell; Princeton Declines Fourth

Three TASP (Telluride Association Summer Program) operations will be carried on next summer, following an invitation by Cornell University to cooperate in running a second program at Ithaca, Telluride House.

The Cornell offer was accepted by the 1961 Convention, and new TASP Board Chairman Thomas Nagel reported in July that negotiations have been successfully completed.

The possibility of a fourth program, at Princeton University, is apparently out for the time being.

Princeton President Robert F. Goheen had made a proposal similar to Cornell's, but with less advantageous financial arrangements.

The Cornell offer was to cover all costs of the program, including a share in Telluride Association's administrative costs. Princeton had offered to pay approximately half the cost, and Nagel was authorized by Convention to accept the Princeton offer only if terms similar to Cornell's could be arranged.

Correspondence with Goheen during July, Nagel reports, found Princeton unable to bear full costs of a 1962 program, although the way was left open for further negotiation by either party for a later year.

Similar Terms

The other arrangements offered by the universities independently, and approved by Convention, were similar. As they will apply to the new Cornell program next summer, these arrangements will be:

- The Association will carry on recruiting for all three programs, and will designate scholars for all three, subject to approval of the director at Cornell.
- Cornell will name its own director and second faculty member, in consultation with the Association, and the third staff member, the factotum, will be a Telluride member appointed by the Association.
- A Telluride member of the TASP Board would work with the university's planning committee.
- Cornell proposes a topic in the non-social-sciences humanities (Princeton had suggested no specific area of study.)
- The new program will be held in fraternity or other housing on the Cornell campuses, provided by the university.

"We believe the Cornell and Princeton offers represent an unusual recognition of the merits of the Nunn educational experiments," said the Convention committee reviewing the proposals, "and an unusual opportunity for this Association."

No New Burden

The new addition is not expected to place any new burden on the recruiting effort of the Association, since the present recruitment procedure already produces more than enough well-qualified candidates.

Area recruiting committees, it is felt, should likewise not feel any new burden in the added effort, and may indeed welcome the chance to see more of their top prospects accepted.

It is hoped the new program will help the TASP Board by widening its contacts among potential TASP faculty members.

TA Experience

"Our primary contribution...would be our experience in pioneering this program, and our unique recruiting method — neither of which will cause us additional cost or significant energy," concluded the committee.

"At the same time, we should be able to retain sufficient control over programs (Continued on Page 5)"
Women...

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women at Cornell, who generally pass more stringent entrance requirements than men, represent a major untapped source of talent.

Those described by the committee as the "core" position said women could be expected to make significant contributions to the Branch, and the Association, "by all traditional standards of intellectual and moral leadership." Proponents of this position, the committee said, foresaw the time when there would be no "quota" for women in the Branch, since they would be chosen on the same basis of performance as men.

"Fringe" Position

Another group, described as the "fringe" position, equated the women to other Branch residents chosen to bring special qualities to Branch life: resident faculty, foreign scholars and short-term guests.

The committee recommendation, supported by the plenary session by a comfortable margin, was to continue the program on a pilot level comparable to that begun this spring by the Branch itself.

Use of two rooms for the women will not, the committee said, cause any substantial impairment of Convention's ability to accept all good men candidates in the foreseeable next few years.

Proponents of this position saw women as bringing qualities of sensitivity in personal relations and to aesthetic experience missing in the male group. Some, but not all, saw the question of eventual leadership in the Association or in society as irrelevant to their admission to Branch membership.

Opponents' Views

Opponents of the program argued that despite the leadership potential of women, it was statistically unlikely that many will fulfill the leadership goals of the Association, because of their commitments to homes and families. They also saw other institutions—such as the great women's colleges—as better suited to pioneer in providing more significant education for women.

They also argued that including women in the Telluride program constituted a dilution of Telluride effort, of living and training space at the Branch and of budget.

"Questions concerning complications within the group due to male-female differences," the committee said, "continue to be raised, although four months' experience should show no experience to support such fears.

It would appear that only a year or two of operation will serve to silence or sustain such worries.

DR. TUCKER

Tucker Elected New Telluride President

Dr. Ernest S. Tucker, 3d was elected president of Telluride Association at the 1961 Convention.

A native of Birmingham, Tucker was a Deep Springs student from 1950, and was elected to Association membership in 1952. He lived at Cornell Branch during 1953-54, and in the fall of 1954 began studies at the University of Alabama for his M.D.

He completed his internship at University Hospital in Birmingham, and will next June complete a term as chief resident in pathology at the University of Alabama Medical Center. He has contributed articles to the American Journal of Medicine, the American Journal of Diseases of Children and the AMA Archives of Pathology.

He was married in 1958 to the former Carlyn Loyl Collins, then a medical student. Mrs. Tucker recently completed her internship in pediatrics, and as the Newsletter went to press was expecting the birth of their first child.

Dr. Donald Reis, a research physician now at the National Institute of Mental Health, was elected vicepresident and chairman of the New Funds Drive.

James Hedlund was elected secretary.

Custodians elected were Retiring President Charles Christenson, David Hodges, Brandt Kehoe, Douglas Martin, Alvin Friedman and James Wepisc.

Thomas Nagel, a Harvard graduate student, was appointed chairman of the Telluride Association Summer Programs board, to serve with Carl Apstein, Michael Chanowitz, Michael Cohen and Roderick Robertson.

The Suspension Committee, elected by acclamation, is Shulsky Szasz Herdeg.
Need for Primary Branch Experience, Close DS Tie, Seen Convention Theme

By DON O. NOEL, JR.

Strong sentiment for closer ties with Deep Springs, and heavier reliance on primary branch training for Association membership than in the past few years, was one of the dominant themes of the 1961 Convention.

The most concrete evidence of this sentiment was a resolution, mirroring a similar resolution by the Trustees of Deep Springs earlier this year, calling for exploration of areas of cooperation.

"Whereas areas of mutual interest and common purpose exist between Deep Springs and Telluride Association," read the resolution approved by Convention, "and whereas the purposes of both institutions might conceivably be advanced by an integration of effort in certain areas, "

"Be it resolved, that Telluride Association agrees in principle with the proposal . . . by the Board of Trustees of Deep Springs . . . calling for the exploration of such possibilities . . . ."

The President of the Association and one other member will meet with Trustee-Director Robert Aird and one other trustee to carry out the explorations. The joint committee will presumably carry specific proposals to the Trustees next Spring, and to the 1962 Convention.

Other Indications

The overwhelming endorsement of the joint committee proposal was not the only indication of Convention's concern for primary branch experience.

Retiring President Charles Christenson, in his report opening the Convention, commented on the historic role of primary branches in the early days of the Association. Since the loss of the power stations, he said, with the brief exception of the Pasadena Branch experiment, the activities of the Association have centered around Cornell Branch, "where the natural pressures emphasize intellectual attainment rather than responsible citizenship.

"That we have been as closely as we have our original purpose is due in no small part to the havening influence on the House of the many Deep Springs alumni who have continued their studies at Cornell," he said.

In recent years, he pointed out, the numbers coming from Deep Springs have dropped drastically, resulting in a Branch this year where only 10 percent had primary branch experience, and nearly 90 percent had previous contact with the Nunn institutions only through programs with a predominantly academic orientation—notably the Summer Programs.

This changes the character of the House, he said, and ultimately of the Association, and "we should be seriously concerned lest our present methods of staffing Cornell Branch result in a long-term erosion of the Association's dedication to its purpose."

The outgoing president expressed confidence that Deep Springs is embarking on a rebuilding of program which, in one or two years, should result in "a renewed stream of well-qualified Deep Springs candidates coming before us."

Johnson Views

Chancellor Emeritus E. M. Johnson, in his report read to Convention, likewise called attention to the dangers of admitting to the Branch men previously inexperienced in Nunn affairs.

TASP graduates have to date, he said, produced a disappointingly low level of members. But he added that "if the Association should receive from Deep Springs in 1962 a group of mature men with practical administrative and work experience, a larger group of intelligent but relatively inexperienced men can be admitted without harmful dilution of the Association."

The ensuing larger group should increase the number graduating to responsible Association membership, he said, and cut down the need for older men admitted from the Cornell campus who, because of their short time in the Branch, have failed to rise to Association leadership in proportion to their number.

Relation to TASP

Finally, the report of Convention's Summer Program Committee, and the body's reaction to it, offer a further indication of the Association's feeling toward primary branch experience.

Commenting on the requests by Cornell and Princeton (See story, Page 1) for new TASP programs under their auspices, the committee said:

"It is perhaps not too early to suggest that the Cornell and Princeton offers may present a way the Association can reduce its commitment of time and effort to the Summer Programs, without losing all their recruiting advantages for the Association and Deep Springs."

"While the Association can probably sustain a close and immediate relationship with new programs, any further expansion would put a serious strain on our resources of time and money. A future Convention may find it wise to withdraw from direct involvement in any but the Summer Programs most immediately productive of Association recruits, and stand ready only to counsel in the establishment of other programs."

"Such a development might free our resources for increased involvement in more traditional primary branch programs."

Comment on Convention floor supported this view strongly.

Two-Year Program?

Although no specific plan for Telluride-Deep Springs cooperation was put before Convention, one possibility lies in the area of rescheduling the program at Deep Springs.

Trustee-Director Robert B. Aird put before the Trustees this spring a proposal that a shift to a two-year, year-round program be considered.

The proposal, offered in draft form by the Deep Springs Faculty Advisory Committee, will be among topics discussed by the newly-formed joint Trustee-Association committee.

It is suggested that the Association might be able to offer specific help to Deep Springs in operation of a summer quarter at the school, and at the same time make more efficient use of the school plant than does operation of a TA Summer Program there.

The Association would in turn be advantaged by the assurance of more candidates for Cornell Branch preferment and Association membership, Aird suggested.

$6,488 Contributed In 1960-61, New Low; Drive To Continue

A total of $6,488 was raised for Telluride Association and Deep Springs by the 1960-61 New Funds Drive, according to the final report of outgoing Vicepresident Theodore Hofmann.

Deep Springs will receive $3,094, its 50 per cent share of unmarked funds after drive expenses.

The drive resulted in the lowest total in several years, Hofmann noted, probably in part due to the nominal amount of personal solicitation carried out this year.

Commenting on the funds drive, the Operations Committee of the 1961 Convention recommended continuing the "low key" campaign of the past few years, but giving particular personal attention to potential large donors.

Sentiment at Convention strongly favored a continuation of the funds drive, in view of increasingly tight budgets before Telluride conventions and continuing deficit spending at Deep Springs.

The 1961-62 campaign will be directed by Vicepresident Donald Reis.
### Associate Custodians Seen Success

By WILLIAM SINGER

In the course of the past fiscal year, the Custodians of Telluride Association have been assisted in their work by a group of students known as "Associate Custodians".

The proposal for the creation of such a body was first made by Norton Dodge before the 1960 Convention. Dodge pointed out that it has been one of the Association's perennial problems to find among its membership persons with the necessary qualifications and inclinations to serve as Custodians. To alleviate this problem, he suggested the Custodians he instructed to appoint associates, who would be either members of Cornell Branch or Association members resident in Ithaca.

These men would have the same duties and responsibilities as regular Custodians, with the exception that they would not be empowered to sign authorizations. The regular Custodians would be aided in their work, and at the same time, the Association would be assured of a continued supply of financially trained members. The 1960 Convention passed a resolution implementing Mr. Dodge's proposal, and four Associate Custodians were appointed: Kim Hooper, Abe Shulsky, Bill Singer, and Robley Williams.

The main job of the Associate Custodians over the past year has been the preparation of stock reports for each of the Custodians' meetings. A particular industry is assigned to each Associate, who then chooses companies within that industry on which to report. With such assistance the Custodians have been able to review every stock in our portfolio at least once this year, in addition they have received reports on a large number of other securities which might be attractive for purchase.

The Associates have attended each Custodians' meeting in its entirety, and have taken part in the discussions. Further, since the Associates are resident in Ithaca, they have provided a point of contact between the Custodians, and Cornell Branch, which houses the financial records and receives most mail regarding financial affairs.

The Associate Custodians have been useful in another way. Since there is now resident at the Branch a group actively engaged in the work of the Custodians, there has been generated within the Branch some interest in the Association's investment policy. Certain members have indicated a lively enough interest to warrant their appointment as Associate Custodians for the coming year. In short, it seems the institution has been so successful that the Association may want to establish it as a standing procedure.

The 1961 Convention acted to continue the program.
Cornell, Princeton . . .

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bearing our name by our operation of the recruiting procedure, our members on the local planning committees, and the presence of the factota when the programs are in operation.

Recruiting Problems

In the field of recruitment, the Convention committee recommended use of a higher "cut-off" score on PSAT (preliminary scholastic aptitude tests) taken by Summer Program candidates, but an reaffirmation of the Association's independence of such test scores.

In the past, those scoring over 130 on the test have been invited to apply. This year, use of 135 as the cut-off would have reduced the 300-application volume of candidates by 44 percent, but would have eliminated only six of the final 32 chosen.

Convention recommended the TASP Board next year adopt the higher cut-off, but make extra efforts to solicit applications from other sources.

PSAT a Device

The PSATs were described as "a device for identifying potential candidates, but not a qualification for acceptance."

Alumni recruiting groups were asked to try to visit high schools before the PSATs were administered in October, to seek out some young men and encourage them to take the test.

On recommendation from a Telluride Associate or a high school principal or counselor, however, outstanding men will be allowed to apply regardless of whether they have taken the PSAT, or regardless of low PSAT scores.

Area interviewers were encouraged by the Convention committee to reemphasize the Association's traditional interest in students' work experience and other non-academic factors which measure character.

The Telluride Branch committee which contacts promising TASP men after the Summer was also asked to stress the importance Telluride places on meaningful work experience, and encourage TASP graduates to seek such experience after their high school graduation, before coming on to Telluride.

News of Telluride Associates

Born March 11, 1961, Marianne Votaw, fourth child of Mr. and Mrs. Albert N. Votaw, DS '42, TA '48.

John Mansfield and Mlle. Christine Alvin were married July 17 at the Cathedral Church of Saint Louis in Versailles, France. John is the son of the Harvey Mansfields. The newlyweds will take residence in New Haven this autumn.

Henry Gillespie Hayes, 4th, and Miss Marjorie Ruth Oliver were married July 8 at Saint Mark's Episcopal Church in Palo Alto, Calif. "Gill" is the elder son of Henry and Kit Hayes.

Subine Gabriele, first daughter and second child of the Bernhard von Falkenhau sen, was born June 5 in Essen-Bredenley, Germany.

Edward Keonjian, Jr. (TASP '54, DS '55-58) has completed his B.A. in economics at the University of California after a year at Reed College in Oregon, and is now working toward a Ph.D. in government at the University of Arizona in Tucson. He has received a graduate teaching assistantship from the University for next year.

Florentino Vincente, who is at Telluride on one of the TA foreign-graduate fellowships this year, has won a Wilson Fellowship for the upcoming year.

The Yale Press announced April 26 the publication of "Brownings' Characters: A Study in Poetic Technique" by Dr. Park Honan of the department of English at Connecticut College. The blurb says, "Brownings emerges in a new light, as a poet of remarkable precision and intensity." $6.50.

Economist John S. DeBeers has joined the economics division of the new Inter-American Development Bank in Washington, serving the countries in the Western Hemisphere. DeBeers' "A Study of Puerto Rico's Banking System" was published a few months ago.

Richard Cornelison handles the sales engineering in Ohio and surrounding states for the fractional horsepower electric motors manufactured by the Lamb Electric Co., a division of American Machine & Metals. The Cornelisons have four children: Peter 9, Elizabeth 6, Ann 5, and John 2.

Dr. John M. Newell has left the Massachusetts Biologic Laboratories and is doing chemical studies on the cause of heart disease at Hartford Medical School. Daughter Betsy, a graduate nurse, on Dec. 31 married Dr. Eugene Le Goff, who has held a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard and was one of the team which completed the synthesis of chlorophyll. Dr. Le Goff is a faculty man at Mellon Institute in Pittsburgh.

Negro Scholars

Executive Secretary Beatrice MacLeod reported extensive contacts had been made with agencies seeking academic opportunities for minority-group and Negro students. One Negro was chosen this year, she said, but tuberculosis was discovered when he took his routine exam, and he was hospitalized immediately.

She said contacts are now being made with Negro faculty leaders through the United Negro College Fund, Members and Associates who can volunteer to follow up with personal contacts will be appreciated.

The Convention strongly urged that the 1962 West Coast Summer Program, moved this year to Stanford, be brought back to the Deep Springs campus if that can be arranged with the faculty and topic being considered.

Convention voted definitely to return the Summer Program to Deep Springs in 1963, in acceptance of the invitation of the Trustees.

Since the U. S. mission was closed in Havana, Harvey Wellman's new assignment is director of East Coast Affairs in the Bureau of Inter-American Affairs in Washington. Previous to his 6-month period as counselor for political affairs in Havana, Wellman held posts in Paris (1954-57) and in Oslo (1957-60).

Noel David Burleson, DS '51-53, has accepted a two-year appointment as Visiting Professor of Social Anthropology in the Dept. of Preventive Medicine and Public Health at the University of El Salvador. He will be teaching one course, and spending the rest of his time on anthropological research. His address is: Facultad de Medicina, Universidad de El Salvador, San Salvador, El Salvador.

William A. Whitson, TASP '57, CBG '59, was recently elected president of Cornell United Religious Work. The office carries responsibility for representing CURW on the advisory cabinet of Student Government.

Deaths

Constitutional-Member Talma Tanner died February 17, 1961, at Long Beach, Calif. Tanner was a student at Olmsted, and one of the first men to receive membership from the Association. He is survived by Mrs. Tanner.

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