New Berkeley Branch Reports Good Beginning

By JON BREZIN

The 1963 Convention created Berkeley Branch of Telluride Association to investigate possibilities of a long-term program built around a Branch near the Berkeley campus of the University of California.

During the summer a good start was made in implementing this idea. First, a house suitable for the first few years was found and furnished. Second, the first steps were taken to establish contact with the faculty and administration. Finally, a system of by-laws for the Branch was agreed on, and committees responsible for looking into new programs and into recruitment were formed.

Several people have visited the Branch already, and all have been awed at what they found — perhaps they were struck by the view across the Bay to the Golden Gate, or perhaps they were amazed that we were able to find ourselves quarters almost as comfortable as those of Cornell Branch.

One can do no better in describing the house than to say that we are happy to entertain guests, because the house is interesting both in its architecture and in its furnishings. There is a guest room available, and we hope that those passing through the Bay Area will visit.

New Officers

Lengthy house meetings, an essential part of anyone’s Telluride training, seem likely to occur far too frequently here since we have no routine. Our first try took place on September 6, at which meeting a provisional set of by-laws were agreed on and the first officers were elected.

Our officialdom was populated as follows: Donald Read, president; Darwin

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Davy Cites Quotations to Open Drive for New DS-TA Endowment

By HUGH DAVY
Trustee of Deep Springs
New Funds Chairman

Quote No. 1 — From the Minutes of the 1963 Convention: “Resolution 16 — Be It Resolved that the Telluride Association hereby enthusiastically joins the Deep Springs Board of Trustees in a cooperative effort to raise capital and operating funds for the Nunn educational institutions.”

Quote No. 2 — From the report of Mrs. Beatrice MacLeod, executive secretary, to said Convention: “At the Pittsburgh meeting I was asked by a Negro lawyer, (who had earned his way through school, college, and law school) to describe the origin of Telluride. He listened with interest, was thoughtfully quiet for a moment, then asked an unexpected question: ‘Over the years, what comes back to the Association from those who have benefited?’ ‘A great deal of work’, I answered, ‘time spent in executing responsibilities . . . . some gifts of money to the annual fund raising drive . . . . ’ That is not what I was really thinking of’ he countered. ‘I wondered if anyone had followed the pattern of the founder, and ploughed back some direct product of his creative accomplishment . . . . the proceeds of an invention, perhaps the royalties on a book.’ ‘Hmmm’, I said.”

Quote No. 3 — From statement of Dr. Robert Aird, former Deep Spring, Association member, now Trustee and Director of Deep Springs: “In the turbulent world of today, with its unprecedented conflict of ideologies and challenges, there is a greater need for leadership and the basic values for which Mr. Nunn stood than ever before. Sound education and the development of well qualified leaders are the keys to the future.

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As good citizens we should all be supporting at least one secondary school and one college. Statistics clearly show that the majority of our leaders come from private schools which accommodate but a small fraction of our total student population. Furthermore, it is the independent schools which have set the standards that are eventually emulated by the public school system.

Because Deep Springs is one of the purest examples of this trend and the principles involved, it is unthinkable that the Deep Springs alumni would not include Deep Springs as one of the schools they elect to support. Deep Springs is in better shape at present than it has been for many years. It is a fully accredited junior college, with the highest quality of students than it has ever had. The faculty is also of superior caliber.

The physical plant has been maintained and it is operating more economically and efficiently than ever before. The changes effected in Deep Springs over the past four years are now secured by an Academic Advisory Committee composed of outstanding educators and by a revitalized board of trustees.

"The principle involved in the Deep Springs experiment needs confirmation and the generous support of its alumni is essential if this is to be accomplished."

Quote No. 1 — From the report of the New Funds Chairman to the 1963 Convention: "In the past year, Telluride Corporation and Deep Springs received New Funds contributions totaling $9,681.00, contributions came from 140 individuals and five corporations (IBM, General Electric, Xerox, Olin Mathieson and Sears Roebuck)."

Inevitable Queries:
"What percent of the contributions come from the alumni group of the Nunn institutions is $9,681.00?"

"How large is the group of beneficiaries from which 140 have responded?"

We have at least one pleasant item to report. Several years ago a Nunn associate died in Manila and the now-called Vincent Bequest has prospered. Last year the income received by the Association from this source was $5,080.00.

Some of our active alumni have given generously over the years, but any sort of a frank appraisal must lead us only to one conclusion. As trustees of an idea that must be nurtured financially as well as ethically, we have shown greater capacity to receive than to give.

Our rather meager showing might be understandable if it weren't so opposite to the trend of today. Jim Withrow reports that Esso Educational Foundation reports $1,500,000 of gifts to 437 institutions, and Kodak contributed $1,200,000 in aid to higher education. Every recent college and university drive that has come to our attention has reported outstanding results.

The New Funds Committee has received a clear mandate from the Association and the Trustees of Deep Springs. We are to prepare a specific statement of the capital and operating funds needs of both organizations. Also, we are to develop a program which over the years may bring results which L. L. Nunn himself might approve.

From a recent popular magazine:
"When he finished even the silence seemed lovely. 'You know', he said, 'in all the years I taught at Amherst, I never said a poem to my class.'

"Why not?"

"Because,' Frost said, 'they never asked.'"

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

It is a little known fact that Gustavus Simmons, David Werdegar, and I, with a prospector's map and two canteens of applejack, found Eureka Valley Girls School in 1917. After three harrowing days we were released by the Headmistress under the condition that we never divulge the location. Whympin (established by C. C. Whympin in 1923) is not a men's branch of the School.

PARK HONAN

News of Associates

Member William J. Vanden Heuvel was widely credited in August with negotiating the compromise solution which sent Negro children in Prince Edward County, Virginia, back to school after four years in which all public schools were closed. The New York Times said he raised $1,000,000 behind the scenes to run a new, private un-segregated school system, and "personally overcame the massive resistance to a solution in Virginia." The Times suggested Mr. Vanden Heuvel, who is on leave from his post as president of the International Rescue Committee he decorated with the "Order of the School Bell, with padlock clusters."

Member James Dean wrote in early September from Peace Corps training at the University of Wisconsin that he will be one of 36 corpsman going to Ecuador to help set up a government credit co-op organization. "It is quite refreshing," he says, "to be in a group where rather than discerning whether or not we have a purpose... everyone is truly pursuing a common purpose and learning all that they can." He expects to leave Wisconsin Nov. 22 for Puerto Rico, and then arrive in Quito, Ecuador, Jan. 3.
Robertson, Lankenau Challenge
TA Emphasis on Pure Academics

Submitted by Roderick Robertson in conjunction with his letter of resignation to the 1963 T.A. Convention. (Note: the resignation was not accepted.)

The notion of high grade efforts expended upon high grade material is central to Telluride philosophy. The notion, putting aside the irony in the phrase "high grade", is a valid one in education.

But increasingly I have found less interest in the practice associated with this philosophy, at least the practice within Telluride Association. I see rank upon rank of bright young men (and women, too) emerge from the jungle of scholastic aptitude tests, each one looking much like his neighbor and each one, headed, after a brilliant college career, into one of the four possible professions where he will achieve respectable success, an income of at least $10,000 per annum, and a well-controlled social consciousness. In other words, I see myself at a large degree, and frankly, I am bored with looking in the mirror.

"Main Liners"

We have always looked for high grade material — and this has almost invariably turned out to be what I call the "main liner", the chap who will (with or without Telluride) attend the right university, enter the right profession (law, medicine, or college teaching usually), and make the right contributions to society.

But these main liners are more and more a rigidly restricted breed. Not long ago, the retiring registrar of Harvard University remarked that standards there had risen so far that none of the three Harvard-educated presidents in this century (the two Roosevelts and Kennedy) could be admitted today. And God knows, they wouldn't stand a chance in Telluride.

I have, over the years, found that those young men — and women — I admire most as leaders or creative movers are only rarely the Telluride type. What we look for is a chap who at 16 or 18 has given unmistakable signs of success about him — first of all, he has conformed sufficiently to the system to pull down smashing grades.

After placing our money on such sure things, we are doubly pleased when they continue to pull down smashing grades and eventually take their successful niches in the right professions. Of course, they would do that anyway, but we are happy to lend support and share in the bourgeois glory. But whether or not Telluride makes a difference in any other way is less clear.

For me, after seventeen years' association with Nunn institutions, I conclude that the only essential difference was made during the first two years at Deep Springs — now a relatively un-fasionable institution what with Harvard, Princeton, and Yale thrusting monies into eager young hands.

"Misfits"?

Of course, my own experience may be the exception. We may very well be doing good works, works that make a difference. I hope we are. But the kind of good works we are engaged in no longer arouses me. The main liners do not move me as they used to.

For this, I blame myself, for I have become more interested educationally in those who could not possibly fit the Telluride pattern: the misfits, the rebels, the shakers, the often-creative and exciting souls in the worlds I inhabit.

The whole notion of Telluride "success" is one which often baffles me. What we are looking for in most cases, it seems to me, is a fellow who will perform well in Telluride Association. We assume that a good committee chairman or custodian will be a good citizen elsewhere — and no doubt he will — but this assumption leads us again and again to find those who are most like ourselves.

The result is a strong Association, but I fear that in preserving our purity and group strength we are reinforcing our limited vision.

Excerpt from a letter from John Lankenau following acknowledgment that his resignation had been accepted by the 1963 Convention:

"I appreciate very much your letter and I too will miss the Association and my work with it. However, I really feel that the Association has become too oriented towards the academic-intellectual and has not given adequate weight to qualities involving social service and leadership. . . . . . . At this point there is only so much time which I have and I feel that other activities are more useful to what I believe is important."

News of Associates

Jon Charles Froemke, TASP '58, was married June 29 to Judith Carol Crooks in Columbus, Nebraska. Both bride and groom are graduates of the University of Nebraska. For the coming year they will be in Berkeley, where John will be using his N.S.F. fellowship for graduate study and teaching in mathematics.
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**Deaths**

Word has been received of the death, early in August, of RICHARD ANTHONY GEORGE, DS 43, TA 50, in Bird-Koler Hospital, Welfare Island, where he had been a patient for some years.

Through Charter Member T. B. Munroe of Minneapolis, the office received word that J. ARTHUR WHITECOTTON, also a Constitutional Member of the Association, died of a heart attack at his home in Fairfield, Conn., August 10.

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**1964 TASP Directors Named; Cornell Co-ed Continues; Recruiting Needed**

By C. N. BREISETH  
Chairman, TASP Board

At its October 12-13 meeting the TASP Board will receive the good news that all three directors for the 1964 Summer Programs have been selected. The Cornell I Program, financed and run by Cornell University, has appointed Thomas Gould, late of the department of classics at Amherst College and faculty member of the 1963 Summer Program, to conduct another session on the Greeks. His colleague has not yet been chosen.

Shaw Livermore, already a three-time TASP faculty member, will again head a Bill of Rights Program at Princeton. Livermore is moving from Princeton to the University of Michigan where he will be teaching American history. The second appointment to that program has not yet been made, but arrangements for Princeton '64 are similar to those in effect this past summer.

The Cornell II Program, financed by the Association, will be directed by David Grossvogel and Neil Hertz on the theme: "How to Read A Book and See A Play." Grossvogel is in Cornell's department of romance literature, and Hertz, in the English department.

**Co-ed Continuing**

Dean Keast of the College of Arts and Sciences at Cornell has set up a committee to handle the University's arrangements for the Summer Programs.

Keast is joined on the committee by Stuart Brown, the chairman, who was director of the Cornell I Program this past summer; Meyer Abrams of the English department, and Roderick Robertson. As a member of the Association and of the Cornell faculty, Robertson will act as liaison between the University and Telluride.

At a summer meeting of this committee, the recommendation was made that this summer's coeducational pattern be continued in 1964.

Negotiations are proceeding with the Educational Testing Service in an effort to retain the PSAT examination as a part of Summer Program recruitment. The ETS secretariat had close contact with the Princeton Program this past summer, and are in a much better position than before to appreciate the value of TASP in the educational guidance of the 48 student participants, guidance being the primary objective of the PSAT.

In any event, the present TASP Board will be receiving PSAT scores during the coming year from those students who check the Telluride box on this October's test.

The ETS will not, however, distribute our TASP announcements to all the schools it serves, as in previous years. Therefore the Board urges friends and members of the Association to make a special effort to communicate with counselors in their local high schools on the subject of TASP.

The office is mailing brochures to those schools whose high-scoring students have received applications in the last few years, but such a list is likely to be almost random, and can be expanded only with informed assistance.

Again the Board underlines the importance of personal pursuit of promising candidates who might not come to our attention through the ordinary channels. Applications will be issued to all students recommended by individual letter from school authority or Associate.

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