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Convention Approves New Branch, New Decor

As the 1985 Convention wound wearily to a close last June 9, Tom Christina proposed a resolution from the floor thanking President Henry Higuera for his "management of an important and difficult convention." He was referring in part to the decision to found a Telluride Association "proto-branch" at the University of Chicago, and to support a summer program at that University starting in 1986, issues which made 2:00am adjournments the norm, and kept President Higuera pleading for succinctness on Convention floor. The reference was also to the painful and protracted discussions of House preferment, which resulted in the unprecedented depreferment of three returning Housemembers.

The 1985 Convention also gained a permanent place in Telluride history by its decor: in the week prior to the meetings, a frenzy of furniture deliveries and hyper-activity on the part of Romanoff and Associates, had brought the House to a sparkling and elegant state, the product of Special Renovations Committee's long labors. Other decisions of note included the abolishment of the Growth Fund, and the purchase of an office computer to replace the one currently leased from Cornell. Yet another decision was to continue the Telluride Lecture Program. This program, initiated by the 1984 Convention, brought distinguished art historian Michael Fried to the House for a public lecture and a House seminar last spring. Part of the reason for the general willingness of Convention to support new and fledgling programs was a hefty 26% rise in the value of the portfolio, due to impressive bond performance. Financial stringency, though a perennial Convention issue, was not an overwhelming concern in 1985.

The following excerpts from several of the reports capture some of the 1985 Convention's style and substance:

NEW PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

"The most auspicious coincidence of all is that circumstances enable us to establish a second branch and a TASP together at the University of Chicago. The coexistence of a branch with a TASP seems to be the best insurance against either one fading into obscurity. ... It should be noted that the Chicago Branch would open up a previously untapped recruitment channel from the Chicago campus itself. The close-knit nature of the University community and the interdisciplinary rigors of Chicago's undergraduate syllabus indicate that such recruiting might turn up exciting candidates for TA membership."

"One of the mistakes of the past was isolating a fledgling branch from a meaningful chance to participate in the Association's projects as a whole. We believe that the Association has learned from these mistakes. To avoid the possibility of a step-child branch, its formative years must include interactive education in the affairs of the Association and all its projects. Our proposal foresees full participation by the Branch in TASPlication reading, TASP planning, recruitment and selection, preferment, Association Conventions, and through frequent visits to Chicago by senior Association members. All this should insure that the newborn will not lack for parental attention."



The newly restored elegance of Telluride House living room

AUGMENTED FURTHER HORIZONS COMMITTEE

"Turning to the second portion of our proposal, we do not believe any one Convention has the ability to create a fully operational branch *ex nihilo*. The unique opportunity before this Convention is to authorize and sponsor a group of students who are already forming themselves into an intellectual community, inspired by Nunnian examples, including ones we've set. Those Association members who have met the students are favorably impressed with their abilities to accomplish this task, and awe struck by their evidently boundless capacity to work toward it. Furthermore, the cost to the Association of nurturing this effort would be relatively low — on the order of \$20,000 plus some start-up and administrative costs. This is so because of the students' willingness to pay most of their room and board and a favorable environment for financial aid. Thus, for a fraction of the Cornell Branch operating budget, the Association can foster a project having the potential to grow into a second branch."

"As you may have gathered, your committee is enthusiastic about the Chicago project, not the least because it offers an exciting combination of feasibility and invigorating challenge. At the very least, the proposal will enable the Association to enlarge substantially the number of people benefited by its programs, and receive in return a second source of successor trustees. In addition, the project gives us an opportunity — perhaps a unique one — to replicate the programs which together have allowed the Cornell Branch and the Cornell TASPs to carry on successfully. Perhaps most important of all, though, the Chicago project allows us to reflect on the nature of our programs more deeply than we ordinarily are required to do, and to apply practical work to creating them anew."

CORNELL BRANCH EVALUATION - HAUSGEIST

"On to the gist of the geist. With the permission of the body, we would like to bring alive our sense of this year's House with a nautical metaphor. The House seemed to be a ship wandering without a compass, without a helmsman, laboring sluggishly because of a top-heavy distribution of passengers, and deserted by a number of (purely metaphorical) rats. On the bright side, a truly impressive amount of rearranging (not to mention

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renovating) the deck chairs on this Titanic occurred through the year, and many stimulating discussions took place there."

"...House TA members needed more sense of being particularly responsible, and particularly accountable, in terms of promoting shared assumptions about the implications of life in the Telluride community. ... Housemembers should not be afraid to make demands on each other in the name of the community, nor should they be startled to receive such demands themselves."

CBTA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"Demographically speaking, looking back for an explanation and to the future to foresee problems, two factors that seem important are the sometimes *over* diversity of the House in both disciplines and Telluride background (we are a motley crew of ex-TASPers, Springers, and RGC candidates) and a recent lack of continuity and consistency in class cohorts at the House. Fewer and fewer people, it seems, are staying at the House for 3 1/2 or 4 years, and class size has varied dramatically. As it stands now, for example, there will be only one returning sophomore at the House next year, where this year there were four. These fluctuations are somewhat unsettling, as is the decline of combined Telluridean experience among senior Housemembers. Convention should be aware of these problems."

"With the renovation of Telluride's physical plant (still slightly unreal to those of us who have lived through the experience), in some ways a new era dawns at the House. Surrounded by attractive and comfortable new furnishings, and suitably reminded of the great expense put into the effort, perhaps Housemembers will take greater pleasure in living at the House and accept the added responsibilities that go along with it. If the House was at the very least friendly and stable this year, perhaps Telluride's new look will inspire us on to bigger and better things."

TELLURIDE LECTURE PROGRAM REPORT

"From the response of faculty and students on the Hill, it is obvious that the Lecture Program, continued over a number of years, would create a strong sense of Telluride Association and the Branch as valuable contributors to the public life of the University. We consider that such service to the University is an excellent and appropriate goal in itself, and at the same time we note that it cannot harm us in our occasional negotiations with the University if we can point to a contribution that we make to the University community."

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

"The portfolio (including O&R) is worth approximately \$9.7 million, an increase of 26% over last year. By comparison, the S&P 500 increased by 24%; the Dow Industrials 17% and the government bond index 33%. Thus, large industrials and small to medium-sized high technology stocks did poorly relative to bonds, which were the big winners this year.

Our management of the equity portfolio was pretty miserable. Our stalwart loyalty to the dogs in our portfolio was matched only by our ruthless culling of fabulous performers. On the other hand, our bond position performed excellently, so that we finished the year about even with where we would have been with the portfolio we held last year. ..."

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"Next, this year's Convention has only one Housemember application for membership to consider, and this is quite disturbing. It is perhaps especially disturbing in a year when we have so many irons in the fire. The purpose of CBTA, besides aiding in Housemembers' education, self-education and self-development, is to develop an ability, an interest, and even a sense of obligation to serve society by devising, carrying out and administering projects designed to broaden the field of

knowledge. The Association lives by the conviction that in a country such as ours such projects and such organizations have an important role to play. An Association member of any age should consider his education incomplete if it lacks that essential Nunnian component. Whenever the Branch fails to develop this sense among its members, however successful it may be in other ways, it and the Association are failing one another. The current situation probably has to do with many things: our membership and preferment policies and judgments, orientation activities within the Branch, the ways in which the Association as a whole presents itself to the Branch, and undoubtedly, the routinization of our programs which the hard times of the past decade produced. It has often been said that the Association stagnates when it cannot consider new projects. It is important, then, that this Convention give to all a better sense of the breadth of our aspirations."



Matt Trail, CB82, in the refurbished CBTA library

LINCOLN COLLEGE EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIP FOR 1986 - 88

Any Telluride Associate (i.e., current or former Branch member, current or former Association member, or TASP) interested in applying for the Lincoln Exchange Fellowship to Oxford should write to the Telluride Office for an application form. Applications will be due in early January. For further information about the program write to Tony Sebok, current Lincoln Scholar, Lincoln College, Oxford, OX1 3DR, ENGLAND. Or, write Mark Cohen, Chairman of the Operations and Awards Committee, 135 S. 20th Street Apt. 1406, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

Birth of a Branch

Lars Wulff was eating dinner with several other students at the Burton Judson dining hall of the University of Chicago one evening in early November. He had nearly finished his meal and had been discussing virtue for some time when a first-year student addressed him from across the table: "Lars Wulff, Deep Springs." "I'm Matthew Brand, TASP."

During lunch dates with a common friend, Ted O'Neill, Associate Director of College Admissions, Lars and Matt became better acquainted and introduced each other to friends Ira Abrams and Jahan Sharifi, from Deep Springs, and Marc Applebaum and myself, '83 TASPers. The six of us liked each other; in the weeks that followed we talked often, ate meals together and often spent Friday evenings at Ira and Jahan's apartment, where we read plays and drank beer with other friends, or sometimes just drank beer. We began to share academic pursuits, which eventually led to a seminar on the philosophy of history with Jonathan Z. Smith, a Distinguished Service Professor of Humanities. As we recognized in each other common ideals and educational goals, which we related to our Telluride experiences, our conversations became more serious. Sometime in December the idea of a Chicago Branch of Telluride Association emerged. Those to whom we mentioned the idea were encouraging, including Ted O'Neill and Dan Hall, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid in the College, and Nathan Tarcov, past TA President and an associate professor of political science at Chicago. Tarcov had previously mentioned to Ira and Jahan that the 1984 Convention had discussed the U of C as a possible site for a new branch. Both Ted O'Neill and Dan Hall expressed their interest in having a TASP at the University of Chicago. After a series of lengthy discussions among the six of us, we proposed the Chicago Branch, and sent a short statement of our commitment to the idea to TA President Henry Higuera in early February.

I don't think any of us had envisioned the course of events that followed; nor did we realize the magnitude of the project we had begun. I doubt that Ira and Jahan planned to feed four other people continually during scores of long and argumentative meetings in Apartment 5A. Nor did Matt foresee walking around Hyde Park dropping a flyer reading "Wanted, Large House" on the porch of every large house in the area.

Our first important liaison to the University was the Dean of the College, Herman Sinaiko. He was familiar with Telluride through his friendship with Randall Reid, DS49, former Dean-Director of Deep Springs. When he heard of our intentions through another student, he arranged to meet us in early March and expressed his enthusiasm for a Chicago Branch and TASP. Dean Sinaiko eventually introduced us to Al Sharp, Vice-president for Business and Finance of the University, who then led us to Jonathan Kleinbard, the Vice-president for University News and Community Affairs, to help us look for a house. Both of them met with TA representatives Henry Higuera, Lilian Stern and Russell Hawkins in late May. Other Association members with whom we spoke in the months before Convention were Paul Foster, David McQuaid, and Jeremy Rabkin. Tom Christina talked to us frequently by phone; Jahan met still other Ithaca area Association members during his stay at Cornell Branch over spring break.

All of these people and everyone at Convention has heard much of this before. The news for them is that Chicago Branch has found a location. We signed a one-year lease for a six or seven bedroom, well-kept house in July. Locating a building was difficult because so few landlords in Hyde Park are willing to rent to students, especially students who appear suspiciously frat-like. The problem which now looms is to obtain enough furniture, silverware, flatware and kitchen utensils for the eleven or twelve who will live in the house this coming academic year. We would appreciate any help those in the area could



Four of the six UCBTA founders: Mark Applebaum, SP83, Varun Gauri, SP83, Matthew Brand, SP83 TA85, and Jahan Sharifi, DS80 TA85.



The other two: Ira Abrams, DS82, and Lars Wulff, DS79.

give us with this. As for the Chicago TASP, the University has yet to commit funds for the proposed 1986 program, but as of the date of this article, August 14, approval seems to be forthcoming.

This year will be important for the Association. It marks only the third time since the shareholders of the Telluride Power Company wrested control of the company from L.L. Nunn that there will be a TA Branch besides Cornell Branch. It will be a period of time in which the Association will be forced to address questions such as: What are the aims of the Association? To what extent are its ends directed inward, towards its members and the organization's longevity, and to what extent are its purposes directed outward? What is the ideal relationship between the Association and its Branches, if there is such an ideal? These questions will be discussed many times before and during Convention '86. The question of funding will also be compelling: does the Association have enough money to sustain two Branches? For Branchmembers the immediate question and perhaps the most intriguing concerns the nature of the relationship between the two Branches. We would welcome the comments of former Pasadena and Berkeley Branchmembers, as well from Cornell Housemembers on this last concern. Our address is:

The University of Chicago Branch of Telluride Association
5539 Cornell Avenue
Chicago, IL 60637

And, we enjoy guests even more than letters.

—Varun Gauri, SP83

Cornell TASP's 1985: Diversity and Curiosity

Anybody who has attended a TASP will not be surprised to hear that many of this year's TASPers consider this experience to be one of the most enjoyable and rewarding of their lives. Since we arrived on June 22, we have been challenged, questioned, and informed, not only by our professors but by each other. The diversity and curiosity of the group, living so closely together, has created the most intense environment for education and entertainment many of us have enjoyed. I doubt any of us, when applying for the program in January, had any idea how much it would change us.

The first days were a fascinating time for me, and for the whole TASP. I came to the program worried about the difficulty of living for six weeks with people I didn't know. Everyone worked hard, however, to introduce themselves and to learn about each other. We quickly felt that we had been together a long time. The seminars were open and unhindered from the beginning. Certainly nobody was afraid to speak his mind!

Cornell I has been studying "Reading and Writing American Poetry," and we have been doing plenty of both. The incisive, informative and occasionally differing views of Professors Dave Baker and Barry Weller have added to our understanding of literary criticism, whether applied to the poems we study or to our own. In addition, Professor Baker is a published poet, bringing another dimension to the class. The readings were arranged in a roughly chronological way, and through this we were able to follow the historical development of the poetry. We have taken our studies both enthusiastically and seriously because *we love poetry!* Our prior acquaintance with poetry ranged from total ignorance for some, to solid grounding for others. Since I am in the former category, I can say with certainty that my knowledge of the subject has increased substantially, but undoubtedly even the most poetic among us have benefited from this intense exposure to the subject.

The Cornell II seminar, "American Political Thought: The State and Moral Life," is both informative and stimulating. Studying ideas that range from Locke's moral pronouncements all the way down the slippery slope to Solzhenitsyn has given us new insights into American democracy. Rather than the lectures one might have expected in a history course, the Cornell II seminar consists of extensive readings, papers, and impassioned philosophical discussions that usually transcend class time. Fred Baumann and Harry Clor, our distinguished professors, actively elicit varied political and moral viewpoints that create an unusually beneficial atmosphere for intense political study.

Nick Hall, who works with the Cornell II seminar, is friendly and concerned, ready to help us with any problem, academic or personal. His enthusiasm leaves him little room for sleep, which can make him a handy target for our jokes. Nick is also very involved with many campus political activities, and this leads to many interesting dinner discussions. Nick is a Deep Springer, and so has been helpful in answering our questions about this. Jennifer Pasternack, our other factotum, also expends vast amounts of energy on our behalf. She does everything from arranging trips to plays and parks to helping us make pasta. Always needed, she has become a friend. She is looking forward to attending Bryn Mawr next year as a pre-med. Both Nick and Jennifer are great examples of the types of people we imagine Telluride Association aims to produce.

Guest lecturers and the public speaking have provoked a lot of discussion within the TASP. Guest poets such as Robert Morgan, T.R. Hummer, Diane Ackerman, and A.R. Ammons have read and discussed their poetry. Professor Dannhauser spoke to us about Nietzsche, and Kathy Frankovic, head of polling for CBS, addressed the question of implicit bias in television reporting. In addition, our public speaking program has covered everything from Zen to East Central European culture.

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Williams TASP 85: The Phoenix TASP Reborn

California meets Minnesota meets Ohio. In order to form a semi-monastic, intellectual community. *Kansas meets New York meets Washington.* "The business of America is business," said Professors Dalzell and Bolton. (Calvin Coolidge said it too, but the professors proved it to us.) *Miami meets Texas meets Missouri.* On the schedule for Seminar Day Number One: Watch the film, "In Search of Excellence." An apt beginning. *Georgia meets Illinois meets Massachusetts.* And Massachusetts was the prime spot to be. Within the walls of Williams College's Perry House, the phoenix TASP was reborn.

As the summer progressed and the atmosphere grew more and more comfortable, the library, seminar room, kitchen, and living room grew more messy proportionately. Soda cans and stray chess pieces ineluctably appeared on mantels and floors. We apparently felt that the effort expended in carrying the weight of shoes on our feet would detract from the energy required to maintain a high-level thought process, as was evident from the large pile of sneakers, shoes, and sandals that had its home by the front door. Symbolic of the intellectual toleration among us, *The Economist* shared table space with the *The New Republic*. Adding to the confusion (which was eventually remedied by the establishment of quasi-effectual rotating clean-up committees) were the *Boston Globe* and the *New York Times*. Semi-monastic or not, we were going to keep up with world affairs.

Introductory and intermediate economic principles, along with business theory in general and its application to the practices of corporations in the United States and Japan, were dealt with in seminar. Sir John Hicks' *A Theory of Economic History* served as a basis for the heavy load of further reading. Among other sources were biographies of Eli Whitney and Andrew Carnegie, William Dean Howells' *The Rise of Silas Lapham*, Chandler's *Strategy and Structure*, and Clifford Geertz's *Peddlers and Princes*, as well as selections from Reischauer's *The Japanese* and numerous *Businessweek* articles. The motives of those responsible for landmark economic developments were carefully analyzed until we could recognize recurring patterns of behavior and events.

Our own recurring patterns of behavior included much ado about food. The kitchen was a central site for the unloading of brown paper bags stuffed with contraband cafeteria pastry. Factota Teresa Michals and Matt Trail were themselves part of a recurring pattern — one of support. They not only encouraged us to better sleep habits, etc., but were always supportive of us in general. They even participated in the water fight party on the front lawn at the end of July. A sunken section of the ground and Hurricane Bob combined to provide a pool with water that reached mid-calf. Splashing and yelling in the rain and outdoing the Williamstown Theatre performers with our own histrionics, we demonstrated our ability to have fun together. It was one of our many talents reinforced during the summer. Our experience was a surprising look at a world that is exciting, fulfilling, and welcoming; a world to which we are determined to contribute.

—Lisa Gallin SP85

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At this writing there is less than a week left of the TASP, and our thoughts are beginning to turn towards returning to family and school. We are all looking forward to being home again, but it will be with sadness that we leave the TASP. Many of us have made friendships we would like to last our whole lives. To Telluride Association and its members we owe a debt best paid by trying to give others this opportunity when we have the chance. This seems to me to be the spirit of the program.

—Terence Gilheany and Arnetta Girardeau, SP85
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Clarence Henry Yarrow

C.H. Yarrow, born and christened Clarence Henry but renamed Mike by a usage at Deep Springs that stuck, died of cancer at his home in Denver on April 15, 1985, a month short of what would have been his 75th birthday.

Prior to his formal retirement a dozen years earlier, he had been an official of the American Friends Service Committee, at first with its American section in Philadelphia, then in Des Moines as executive secretary of the North Central region, and, finally for a decade as head of its International Affairs Division in its Philadelphia headquarters. In retirement he wrote his book, *Quaker Experiences in International Conciliation*, published by the Yale University Press in 1978. It detailed peacemaking efforts between East and West Germany, between Indians and Pakistanis and between contending forces in the Civil War in Nigeria. He received the 1984 Jack Gore Memorial Peace Award in recognition of his peacemaking efforts and skills. Among Telluriders he had been known in the immediate post-World War II years as the founder and director of the Pasadena Branch of the Association.

Before Mike came to Deep Springs in 1925 he had had what he sometimes called his "Russian incarnation". His parents were young missionaries who crossed the Caucasus Mountains in 1904, on horseback over Mt. Ararat and the steepest part of the old military road, to reach the ancient Armenian city of Van, beside the lake of that name, in eastern Turkey near its borders with Russia and Persia; a missionary compound and hospital were there. Mike was born in Van in 1910 and at the age of five survived the month-long Turkish siege of the city, which was broken by advancing Russian forces. Another evacuation, at the end of World War I, took the family to Vladivostok over the Transsiberian Railway and on to Peking and Honolulu. Back in the Caucasus with the Near East Relief, his father had charge of feeding American food supplies to some 10,000 orphaned children. By the time Mike was fifteen,

back in the United States, he had traveled most of the way around the globe and had seen poverty, starvation, pestilence and death on a large scale at close range.

He was a student at Deep Springs for three years, was taken into Telluride membership and the Cornell Branch and graduated with a major in chemistry in 1931. He quickly decided against a career in that field; what to do instead took some twenty years to determine. After a year at the Yale Divinity School he decided against the ministry. He taught at Deep Springs for a year. He became a Ph.D. candidate in political theory at Yale and took that degree in 1938.

In 1936 he had married Margaret Norton, a recent graduate of the University of Michigan; she was his lifelong loving companion thereafter. In 1936 also, by an ironic result of an exchange fellowship arrangement between Yale and the Italian government, the couple were in Rome when Mussolini invaded Abyssinia and watched the disillusioning effect of League of Nations economic sanctions on the Italian people, who subordinated domestic political differences to rally behind the Duce against outside interference.

Degree in hand, Mike taught at the University of Mississippi and saw racial segregation at work; moved to Allegheny College and then, when World War II came, to the Disputes Division of the War Labor Board in Detroit. He left this in 1944 to respond to a call to direct a Civilian Public Service camp in Glendora, California, an alternative for conscientious objectors to military service.

When the war ended he struck out on his own, drawing on experiences at Deep Springs and elsewhere to establish an experimental school. The Association was already seeking a means of augmenting the pool of good candidates, with training in the Telluride tradition, to supply the Cornell Branch, and also as a good in itself. Mike's endeavor was presently recognized as the Pasadena Branch, located on and in property of Pacific Oaks Friends Center. It ran on a

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The Pasadena Years

Mike Yarrow created and led the Pasadena Branch at a time when Telluride Association was looking for other ways of getting more students into the L.L. Nunn tradition, and recruiting additional candidates for the Cornell Branch.

At the beginning of the Pasadena program (I was in the first group of eight) we all lived at the Pacific Oaks Friends Center, and we were called the Pacific Oaks Branch of Telluride Association.

Pacific Oaks was a unique place. Pacifism was central to the Quakers who led and ran it. It housed a nursery school and some nursery school staff, a library, a newsletter office, and was a place where visiting Quakers occasionally stayed for a few days, or spoke to public groups. All of these Pacific Oaks endeavors were already going on before Telluride arrived. They were entirely independent of and separate from Telluride activities, although we students did share housekeeping chores and some facilities with Pacific Oaks staff and their residents.

In our first year of existence we Telluriders all took classes at nearby Occidental, a reasonably good liberal arts college. But Mike backed my effort for our second year (and thereafter) for us to have our own college program. As small as we were (we had grown to fifteen) we did just that.

Mike taught political philosophy — from Plato to today. Nobel Chemist Linus Pauling (once a Telluride House guest

at Cornell) invited some of us to take his introductory chemistry classes and use his labs at Cal Tech, down the street. Kurt and Alice Bergel, known and loved by many Deep Springers for their warmly human and diverse teaching skills, endeared themselves to Pasadena Branchers with their two year stint teaching languages and literature, and as our live-in faculty.

Some Pacific Oaks staff also taught us — Ed Sanders was a terrific creative writing teacher, Jack Phillips an inspiring philosophy instructor, etc. We students actually chose the teachers and the courses we wanted, picking the best available instructors from the many colleges and universities in the Los Angeles area.

This was 1947-1949, between hot wars, while the cold war was beginning to heat up. The pacifism of Pacific Oaks did not seem that unusual in this brief interlude of peace. Two of our Telluride students had been conscientious objectors before coming to Pasadena. Their influence, the Pacific Oaks climate and Mike's gentle ways all contributed to the pacifist feelings and actions of a few of the other students.

But the Pasadena Branch did not run on "pacifist principles." Mike tried to make very sure the Telluride group ran its own way in the spirit of the Telluride tradition.

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financial shoestring, in sharp contrast to life at the Cornell Branch; it lasted five years, 1946-1951, the last two or three of these in Los Angeles, not Pasadena, when Pacific Oaks needed its space. Despite high esteem and affectionate regard for him personally, the undertaking became controversial within the Association, partly because of its Quaker connections and pacifist sympathies. Regardless of controversy it was doomed by the total inadequacy of Association funds to maintain even so frugal a second primary branch. After its collapse the American Friends Service Committee invited him to join its permanent staff.

The rest of his life was mainly devoted to the work of that organization. Among other diverse activities he conducted summer work camps; visited the Soviet Union several times to arrange exchanges between Russian and American school teachers; maintained, at the request of British Friends, an open house in Belfast, Northern Ireland, for a year; had a hand in desegregating the real estate market in Swarthmore; and arranged sites for international conferences in Geneva, Togoland and Singapore. In a long life few have matched his consistent dedication to furthering what L.L. Nunn —no Quaker — might have recognized as the “moral order of the universe”.

Mike was an adventurous and vigorous outdoorsman, with exploits ranging from mountain climbing in the Sierras and Rockies to floating down the Grand Canyon and canoeing in the white waters of the Maine wilderness.

He is survived by his wife; a sister, Jean Maurer, Austin, Texas; three sons, Michael, Ithaca; Douglas, Beckley, West Virginia; and Burr (named for our “Poppy” Burr), Lansdowne, Pennsylvania; and four grandchildren.

A personal note in conclusion. In the fall of 1929 he invited me to a weekend visit with his family. There I became acquainted with his older sister, Grace. A year later she and I were married.

—Harvey C. Mansfield, DS21 CB25 TA23

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Because this got to be a sensitive issue, and for other fiscal and space reasons, the Pasadena Branch moved from Pacific Oaks to Los Angeles in the last few years of its brief existence. Mike often made it very clear to us and to TA leadership that he had no intention of persuading any student to any specific belief. Mike wanted us to develop our own thoughts and abilities, our own values, so we could stand up for what we did believe and act with the knowledge of the consequences of our actions.

I have regretted the termination of the Pasadena Branch all these long years. When it was running it seemed to me to be a valuable asset to Telluride Association. Pasadena alums include at least one Telluride president, a number of memorable Cornell Branchers, and a fair number of today's creative and professional leaders in the nation. This was in no small measure due to the inspiration and leadership of Mike Yarrow. He was a great guy, and I will miss him.

—Robert Richter, PB47

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TASP Alumni News

■ *Jill Silverman*, SP70, her husband David Brenner, and their daughter, Laura, are moving to San Diego. She will be joining a private practice in rheumatology starting in October. A second child is expected in August.

■ *Jim Carbone*, SP82, spent the spring of 1985 hitchhiking through Europe. Jim has now returned to Columbia University “for guaranteed subsidized housing while I pursue a career as a singer.”

■ *Ta-Kukang (T.K.) Chang*, SP72, is an attorney with the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, and lives in Beijing, China where his wife Michele teaches French literature. They welcome all comrades: Beijing Hotel, Room 1636, Tel: 55-0295.

■ *Julia Cohen*, SP84, writes, “After a slightly eventful last year of high school, senior slump and a satisfying (and fattening) bakery job, I will wind up at Swarthmore College in September. I'd love to see any TASPers but unfortunately few of them live near me. Does anybody have an interest in regional all-years TASP reunions? I'd be glad to help coordinate a TASP get-together for the Washington area.”

■ *Esther Dyson*, SP67, described by PC Magazine as “one of the computer industry's leading prognosticators” is heading a new international, electronic computer publication. The new venture, called *Computer Industry Daily* (CID), will be available on-line with hard copy backup. CID is designed to provide late-breaking computer news and in depth coverage of hardware, software, marketing and finance issues.

■ *Charles Hoogstraten*, SP84, was married to Beth Simpson on April 1, at the bride's parents' home in Wobegone, Wisconsin.

■ *Keith A. Kostuch*, SP79, writes, “This TASP from the Hopkins program graduated from the University of Chicago with honors in June 1984. I was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and was given the Herbert J. Morris Memorial Prize for my work as editor of *Counterpoint*, a conservative magazine. I am currently working as a financial analyst for the Corporate Finance Department of the Investment Banking Department of Merrill Lynch Capital Markets.”

■ *Carol Lynn Martin*, SP80, writes that she has graduated from Yale and is going to begin graduate study there in a program that combines work on a PhD in political science with a JD in the Law School.

■ *Fred Leventhal*, SP55, has just published *The Last Dissenter: H. N. Brailsford and His World* (Oxford University Press). Leventhal is a professor of history at Boston University.

■ *Liz Ryan*, SP76, is finishing up a two-year internship with the New York branch of the Directors Guild of America. She writes, “I'm tickled to say I was the trainee on Woody Allen's *The Purple Rose of Cairo*, John Huston's *Prizzi's Honor*, Brian DePalma's *Wise Guys*, and some TV specials and a series. As a second Assistant Director, I'll soon be snooping about for more of New York's latest juicy films. Meanwhile I'm exhausted. Best regards to all.”

■ *David Weng*, SP79, graduated from Harvard last year and is now an MD-PhD student in his first year at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.

News from Alumni and Friends

■ **Christopher Breiseth**, CB58 TA59 SPF69, was inaugurated as fourth President of Wilkes College on April 14. Bea MacLeod and a group from Telluride House drove to Wilkes Barre for the ceremony.

■ **Diane Welch Carter**, SP70 CB71, writes that she is living at home, in Hobbsville, North Carolina and is working in a grocery store. She continues, "I begin night school this fall in computer science and I hope to complete this in three or four years. If I get an Associates' degree in computer science I am going to pursue this as a career. I go to church regularly and am a registered Republican."

■ **Barber Conable**, CB46 TA47, is now the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Museum of the American Indian. The Board is presently considering merging the museum with the American Museum of Natural History. The Museum has, according to a report in the New York Times, been seeking to move from its present site at 155th Street and Broadway for more than a decade.

■ **Robert Dawidoff**, SP63 CB64 TA66, has a Guggenheim Fellowship for 1986-87 to write a history book.

■ **Russell Donnelly**, SP71 CB72 TA74, and Sheila Statlender are parents of a son, Zez, born April 6, 1985.

■ **Steven Fix**, CB74 TA75, has recently become the Dean of the College at Williams, where he has taught since 1979. He is a specialist in Restoration and 18th-century English literature. William's President Chandler said in naming him, that "as a faculty member Professor Fix is exemplary in his attention to students both inside and outside the classroom."

■ **Stephen Geis**, SP66 BB67, has written to bring TA friends up to date on his last five years. "While working for the U.S. National Telecommunications and Information Administration in Annapolis, MD, I was sent to Geneva as part of the staff of the U.S. delegation to a lengthy telecommunications conference in 1979. While in Switzerland I met Therese. She was sufficient reason to return to Geneva in 1980 where I found employment as a programmer/analyst with the International Telecommunication Union. We were married in July 1980." Stephen and Therese now have three children, Sarah, Jonathan, and Rebecca Elise, the latter born July 13, 1985.

■ **Michael Greve**, CB82 TA83, and Diana Kuo were married in Philadelphia in early August. A number of Telluriders were there for the event.

■ **Bruce Hamilton**, DS71 CB74, is collecting the electronic addresses of Deep Springers and Telluriders on the ARPANet, CSNET, BITNET, Compu serve, The Source, etc. If you are an electronic mail user on any of these or similar large networks, please write to Bruce at either (ARPANet) Hamilton.osbu South@Xerox.ARPA or (U.S. Mail) 213 Moonstone, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.

■ **Russell Hawkins**, SP72 CB73 TA75, and Diana Mayor Hawkins are parents of a daughter, Laura Blair, born March 17.

■ **Arnold Henderson**, SP55 CB56 TA58, became president, in April of the New York chapter of the Society for Technical Communication, an organization of editors, writers and graphic artists working with scientific and technical subjects. He writes, "Natalie and I also took a trip to Paris to introduce Rachel, age 10, to Europe. I keep up photography still and during this 'vacation' had 15 prints accepted at the Bibliotheque Nationale."

■ **Eugene Holman**, CB63, was a visiting scholar at Moscow State University in 1983 and has published the definitive work on the morphology of the Finnish verb, *Handbook of Finnish Verbs*. "I spend my free time translating and interpreting at conferences held here in Helsinki."

■ **Christopher Keene**, BB64, Music Director of the New York City Opera, was featured in a program of musical excerpts from Dominick Argento's new opera *CASANOVA*. The performance was held at the Guggenheim Museum in New York City last May.

■ **Mel Kohn**, DS44 CB46 TA46, has been elected President of the American Sociological Association. In September he ends a third-of-a-century tenure at the National Institute of Mental Health, having "failed to outlast the Reagan Administration." Kohn will become Professor of Sociology at Johns Hopkins University.

■ **Dick Loomis**, DS43 CB53 TA54, has published a new book: an edition of *The Life of St. Hugh of Avalon* by Gerald of Wales. St. Hugh was bishop of Lincoln (England) from 1186 to 1200. Gerald was a medieval Latin author born in Wales, the earliest medieval historian to produce accounts of Ireland and Wales. The edition is published by Garland Publishing, Inc., of New York. In addition, Dick was one of those interviewed in a collection of interviews on Thomas Merton, edited by Paul Wilkes and published by Harper and Row.

■ **Leonard Loomis**, DS73 CB76 TA78, begins a residency in internal medicine at the Northwestern University medical center in Chicago; he received his M.D. degree from the University of Rochester in May. His wife, Peggy, will be starting a residency in Psychiatry at the Chicago medical center of the University of Illinois.

■ **Mario Loomis**, DS76 CB79, is in his fourth year at the University of Vermont medical school in Burlington. He will be back in Rochester for some of his senior year rotations.

■ **Jay Mann**, SP74 CB75 TA77, last May became General Counsel of the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

■ **Yardena Mansoor**, SP69 CB70, was married to Michael Phillips on June 23 at Strathmore Hall Arts Center in North Bethesda, Maryland. Michael is an attorney in the Office of the General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development.

■ **Herbert Meltzer**, CB57 TA58, is leaving the University of Chicago and will become the Douglas Bond Professor of Psychiatry at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. He will be directing a Clinical Research Center for the study of depression and schizophrenia.

■ **Donna and Clifford Orwin**, SP63 CB64 TA66, are parents of a son, Ethan Mordecai Orwin, born April 18th in Toronto.

■ **Sally Phillips**, CB64, was married to Larry Altstiel on March 2nd in New York City.

■ **Robert Richter**, PB47, has announced a new 90 minute documentary film, "Hungry for Profit", available through his firm, Robert Richter Productions. The film, investigating agribusiness and hunger, was nationally telecast on PBS stations in June.

■ **Joseph Schwartz**, SP70 CB71 TA72, has been awarded a Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship. The Fellowship provides a year's support for students whose doctoral dissertations concern some aspect of ethical or religious values. Schwartz is writing a dissertation titled "The Permanence of the Political: A Democratic Critique of the Radical Thrust to Transcend Politics."

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