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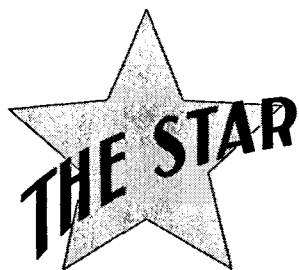
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Letters to the Editor

CORNELL UNIVERSITY
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THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

APRIL 28, 1933

Editor, CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS,

I hope that you will allow me respectfully to dissent from some of the views presented in your recent editorial on the military drill requirement.

The main issue is whether the purposes of national defense require that every student who elects to attend a college or university founded on the Land-Grant Act shall be required to take two years of military drill. Your conclusion is that this is so obviously the case that the contrary policy may properly be considered only if "the abolition of all drill at all universities in the country would forever end war," and only when "the people of the country have repealed all the many sections of and amendments to the Federal Constitution which define the duties of citizens toward their country in respect to national defense." This extreme position is vulnerable enough, but my present concern is rather with your criticism of the Faculty action in this matter.

You are entirely right in holding that the requirement of military drill should not be discarded without careful consideration as to whether the voluntary system would allow the University "adequately to discharge its obligation to give instruction in military drill," particularly since that is the State's avowed reason for providing the Drill Hall. In this phase of the question the Faculty relied upon the ruling of the Attorney General of the United States that a land-grant institution "which offers a proper substantial course in military tactics complies sufficiently with the requirements as to military tactics in the Act of July 2, 1862, . . . even though the students at that institution are not compelled to take the course." It had in mind also that the National Defense Act of 1920 expressly provides for the establishment of the R. O. T. C. in institutions which maintain "a two years' elective or compulsory course in military training." But, while the Faculty would not have taken its action based upon its view of good educational policy if it had judged its proposal as of doubtful expediency or legality, it has recognized throughout that in these

aspects it has no direct or final responsibility. The Faculty is aware that there are other than purely academic phases to the problem and there is evident no desire to do other than to support the Board of Trustees in its determination of them.

Your statement is not wholly clear as to whose motives are overcast by a sinister cloud because of pressure from without. So far as the Faculty is concerned, its long study of the question was carried on without public knowledge of it and there has never been any evidence whatsoever of outside influence. The Faculty's action may be taken at its face value as resulting from the sincere conviction that military drill should no more be required of every student than are agriculture and the mechanic arts. There is also current in the Faculty the belief and the hope that, as in other subjects, the work in military science and tactics may be done to better advantage when elective than when required.

I wish to give strongest dissent to the direct implication of the editorial that the majority of the Faculty did not get a chance to express themselves on this issue. The special committee of the Faculty, appointed to ascertain the facts in the entire situation, after having had the matter in hand during five months, reported in April, 1931, a mimeographed copy of the report being sent to all Faculty members. Following this report a motion to approve the substitution of elective for required drill was made the special order of the May meeting and a notice of that fact went to all members. At the May meeting not one-sixth only but thirty per cent of the Faculty membership voted on the proposal.

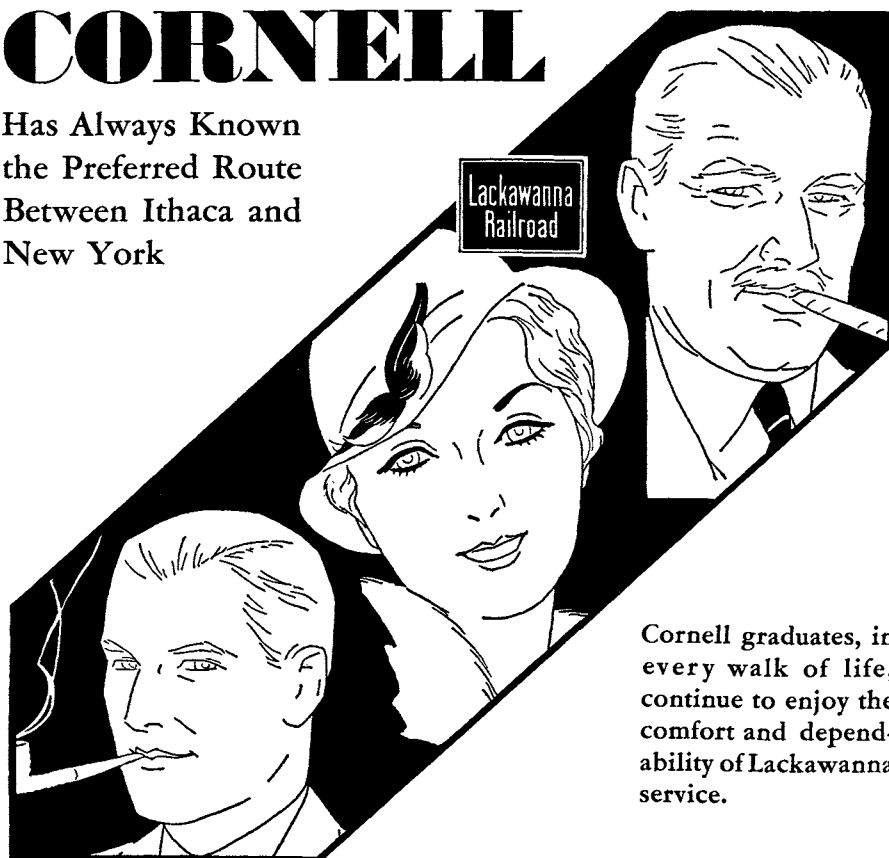
The refusal to submit the proposal to a vote by mail is mentioned in your editorial as if it were an unworthy act of a temporary majority. On the contrary, the same action would doubtless have been taken whatever the question before the Faculty. It is decidedly not the practice of that body, or of other deliberate bodies, to deal in that manner with questions of policy that need discussion.

Subsequent to the vote a Faculty committee was appointed to confer with a committee of the Board of Trustees on such matters as might need clarification. This committee reported back to the Faculty at more than one meeting and its

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The Freshmen Fight Everybody

After an Interim of Several Years the Underclasses Renew Hostilities to an Extent Which Includes Bad Taste and Property Damage

THE SOPHOMORE SMOKER, held on April 28, was the signal for an outbreak of inter-class strife which attained a violence rare in the recent history of relations between freshmen and sophomores. The first suggestion that the traditional class warfare was to be even more bitter than usual came when a group of enterprising freshmen invaded two fraternity-houses, seized the bodies of some sophomore committee-men, and whisked them away into the night.

Two of the kidnapped committee-men succeeded in overpowering their guards, wriggling their hands out of the handcuffs which fastened the little group together, and hitch-hiking back to Ithaca in time to attend the Smoker. The Smoker itself was held only after a preliminary skirmish, in the course of which considerable damage was done to the façade of Willard Straight Hall and to the dignity of a group of football and crew men who had been selected to guard the building from the frenzied frosh.

Before the time scheduled for the Smoker to begin, a strange calm settled

over the area before Willard Straight Hall. Under the direction of the University Proctor, a little group of campus police—reinforced by one or two professional gentlemen from the Ithaca force—began to form for an attack. As the wearers of the "C" arrived, they were disposed in a line across the front of Willard Straight, constituting a shock battalion.

Presently a huge crowd of freshmen began to surge down Central Avenue. They massed for an assault on the lawn near Barnes Hall. They began to advance slowly toward the thin red line of athletes and loosed a barrage of eggs. The eggs spattered athletes and spectators, drove the defenders of the building into the interior in a wild *saute qui peut*. Only one or two heroes, a University official and the captain of last year's football team, stayed in the firing line. Their arguments kept the embattled freshmen from charging into the building. The freshmen contented themselves with standing *outside* Willard Straight Hall, shouting, singing, thumping their chests, stripping sopho-

mores to the skin, throwing captured garments into the branches of the historic trees before Willard Straight Hall, trampling some recently-planted shrubbery. Those sophomores who contrived to fight their way into the Smoker were clothed in little more than gee-strings.

After the fracas in front of Willard Straight Hall, the battle-crazed freshmen marched through College Town, breaking everything that was frangible, spilling garbage cans over the streets, blocking trolleys, taunting police, and generally indulging themselves in all the antics of the frosh mobster. An expeditionary force dispatched into the streets of down-town Ithaca found itself unable to cope with a numerous and determined body of police, and contented itself with parading and singing.

Long after the main body of the freshmen had been dissipated by public pressure and by the fatigue attendant on such unaccustomed exertion, little bands of guerrillas roved the streets near the campus, making the night air hideous with their wild [Continued on page 331]



THE QUADRANGLE FROM THE LIBRARY TOWER

About Athletics

SYRACUSE's first "Cornell Day" started out to be a Cornell triumph, with the Big Red baseball team turning in an impressive 8-4 win over the Orange, but the day resolved itself into a joyous holiday for the Syracuseans when Jim Ten Eyck's beautifully-coached crews humbled Cornell's varsity, junior varsity, and 150 lb. aggregations, in the first regatta held on Onondaga Lake in many years.

Cornell's redoubtable freshman crew was never headed, rowing a steady, powerful beat to lead the Orange yearlings by open water at the finish line. The lead would have been even greater if the Cornell boat had not veered slightly from its course. The defeat of the 150 lb. crew was no surprise since it was pitted against a "pickleboat" composed of Syracuse varsity substitutes.

The junior varsity faced a Syracuse boat which, until the eve of the race, had been considered the Syracuse varsity entry. Until the night before the race it was considered problematical whether Jim Ten Eyck would elect to use the crew stroked by Defois Siegfried or that led by the Syracuse captain, Tom Lombardi. The Lombardi boat won the call, and its victory over the powerful Ithacan boat is a tribute to the judgment of venerable Jim Ten Eyck.

The Syracuse boat led by a quarter of a length at the finish line, barely fighting off the last minute spurt of an inspired Red crew. Many observers expressed the opinion that, had the Cornell coxswain started his sprint a minute sooner, Cornell would have won the race. Cornell got off to a poor start, giving the opposing crew a chance to establish an important lead. Since the race was over the Henley distance of a mile and five-sixteenths, this poor start may well have been the determining factor in the race. At the half-mile Syracuse was a half-length ahead of the Cornell boat, and gradually increased its lead to a length.

About five hundred yards from the finish, the Cornell stroke raised the beat considerably, and the varsity boat began to gain perceptibly with every flash of the oars. Syracuse answered this challenge, and the crews launched into a stirring finish. But the Cornell spurt fell just short of victory, and its shell shot over the finish line just three seconds after the Syracuse boat. Syracuse won in the splendid time of 6:42½; Cornell's time was 6:45½.

The next regatta is with Navy, on the Severn May 6. The Cornell seatings were:

Varsity: Bow, Dryer; 2, Thompson; 3, Haire; 4, Williams; 5, Schroeder; 6, Garber; 7, Kitchen; stroke, Buck; cox, Eliasberg.

Jayvee: Bow, Everitt; 2, Babcock; 3, Todd; 4, Payne; 5, Blum; 6, Otto; 7, MacLeod; stroke, Vaughan; cox, Jenkins.

Freshmen: Bow, Reynolds; 2, Campbell; 3, VanArsdale; 4, Hopper; 5, Glasser; 6, Downer; 7, Dickerson; stroke, Werrenrath; cox, Davison.

150 lb.: Hood, Bow; 2, Gavaris; 3, Marshall; 4, Kursham; 5, Williams; 6, Delaplane; 7, Bockstahler; stroke, Kellogg; cox, Brummerstedt.

Baseball

With snow flurries interrupting the contest from time to time, the Cornell baseball team won its first home game from Colgate by staging a thrilling ninth-inning rally, to emerge on the victorious end of a 4-3 score. Facing LaFlamme, the ace of the Maroon pitching staff, the varsity demonstrated that it has a batting power that was little suspected by the local experts. Cornell did not score until late in the game, when hits by Smith and Draney combined to produce two runs.

With the bases filled, Williams, the slugging star of the Cornell nine, cracked a single over second base. Froehlich followed this with another hit, and the winning run crossed the plate. Coach Eckley was jubilant over this display of power, and there is every reason to believe that Cornell will stand higher in the League ratings than she has in several years.

Against Syracuse, April 29, the varsity again revealed batting power and dexterity in the field. With the score tied at 4-4 in the ninth inning, a fusillade of hits brought four runs over the plate, to give Cornell an 8-4 triumph. Williams pitched the entire game for Cornell, contributing two important hits as well. Gustaferrri, Draney, and Pasto also garnered two hits each. The box scores:

CORNELL (4)

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Draney, lf.....	4	2	2	7	0	0
Smith, ss.....	4	0	1	2	3	0
Gustaferrri, 3b.....	4	1	0	2	3	1
Williams, cf.....	4	0	0	3	1	0
Pasto, c.....	4	0	2	6	1	0
Froehlich, rf.....	4	0	1	0	0	0
Dugan, lf.....	4	0	0	4	0	0
Frost, 2b.....	4	0	2	3	3	0
Adelsberg, p.....	0	0	0	0	1	2
†Russell.....	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bealor, p.....	2	1	1	0	0	0
†Bradley.....	1	0	1	0	0	0
Walton, p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	36	4	10	27	12	3

COLGATE (3)

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Brooks, cf.....	5	1	1	1	1	0
Bridges, 2b.....	4	0	1	0	0	1
Kuk, lf.....	4	1	3	1	1	0
C. Anderson, c.....	3	0	2	9	2	0
H. Anderson, 3b.....	3	0	1	1	1	1
Amendola, rf.....	4	1	1	1	0	0
Flaitz, ss.....	4	0	0	3	1	0
Campbell, 1b.....	4	0	1	9	0	0
LaFlamme, p.....	4	0	0	1	4	2
Totals.....	35	3	19	26	10	4

*Two out when winning run scored.

†Batted for Adelsberg in 3rd

‡Batted for Bealor in 8th.

Colgate..... 012 000 000—3
Cornell..... 000 001 102—4

Runs batted in—Campbell, Kuk, C. Anderson, Pasto, Gustaferrri, Williams, Froehlich. Three-base hit—Kuk. Sacrifice: Smith. Stolen base: C. Anderson. Double plays: LaFlamme to Flaitz to Campbell, Kuk to H. Anderson, Frost to Draney. Left on bases: Colgate 7, Cornell 10. Bases on balls: off LaFlamme 2, off Bealor 2. Struck out: by LaFlamme 9, by Bealor 1, by Walton 1. Hits: Adelsberg 7 in 3 innings, off Bealor 3 in 5 innings, off Walton 0 in 1 inning. Winning pitcher: Walton. Wild pitch: Adelsberg. Umpires: Van Dyne and Hammond. Time of game: 2:18.

CORNELL (8)

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Draney, 1b.....	5	1	2	8	0	0
Smith, ss.....	5	2	1	0	2	0
Gustaferrri, 3b.....	5	2	2	4	1	0
Williams, p.....	5	2	2	0	1	0
Pasto, cf.....	5	0	2	2	0	0
Froehlich, rf.....	3	0	0	1	1	0
Dugan, lf.....	3	0	0	1	0	0
Johnson, c.....	3	0	1	7	0	0
Frost, 2b.....	4	1	1	1	2	0
†Russell.....	1	0	0	0	0	1
Totals.....	39	8	11	27	7	1

SYRACUSE (4)

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Fahy, lf.....	4	0	0	2	0	1
Marchiano, 2b.....	4	0	0	2	1	3
Johnson, cf.....	4	0	0	2	0	0
W. Singer, rf.....	3	1	1	6	0	0
M. Singer, 1b.....	4	1	2	1	0	0
Bock, ss.....	4	0	0	0	1	0
Vavra, 3b.....	4	2	3	2	2	0
Ulrich, c.....	4	0	1	9	1	0
Kiffney, p.....	3	0	2	0	8	1
Black, p.....	0	0	0	1	0	0
*Gordon.....	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	4	9	27	13	5

*Batted for Black in ninth.

†Batted for Dugan in seventh.

Cornell..... 010 000 034—8
Syracuse..... 030 001 000—4

Runs batted in: Vavra 3, Kiffney, Smith, Williams. Two-base hit: Johnson. Three-base hit: Vavra, Williams. Home run: Vavra. Bases on balls: off Kiffney 3, off Black 1, off Williams 3. Struck out: by Kiffney, 8, by Black 1, by Williams 8.

FRANCIS T. HUNTER '16 B.S., tennis star, is in charge of the development and membership of the new Westchester Embassy Golf and Country Club. The syndicate forming the Club have purchased the clubhouse, golf course, and extensive acreage of the former North Castle Golf and Country Club at Armonk, N. Y., and have let contracts for more than \$40,000 for improvements on the clubhouse, golf course, swimming pool, riding stables, and tennis courts.

Just Looking Around

"I WONDER what ever happened to Mail Pouch," muses an engaging writer in *The Sun*. "He would sporadically appear in fraternity living rooms, usually drunk, and always with a new collection of stories. Ostensibly he was a carver; he would inscribe bits of soapstone or table boards with names, Greek letters, numerals, or pictures, and do it rather well, too. Last trip, two or three years ago, he said was to be his last—he was going to settle down in some quiet country hamlet and drink himself to death."

The camp-followers of a University are many and strange. Tutors, athletic rubbers, unattached middle-aged ladies with a conviction that Culture will ease their loneliness, elderly gentlemen pursuing genealogical researches in the library stacks, instructors in tap-dancing, bootleggers, professional panhandlers.

And also a succession of fly-by-night, draggle-tail practitioners of the minor arts, who work the fraternities of the country. Of these Mail Pouch is a conspicuous example.

Years ago there was a phrenologist who would read the students' character for twenty-five cents a character. And he did very well at it, because the students are pathetically eager to find out about their characters, and, in their alternations of arrogance and abasement, they will believe anything.

We have had silhouette-cutters, portrait-sketchers, and modellers. Mostly they are elderly men, shabby, sociable, much given to strong drink. They serve to the students as an object-lesson of the parasitism of Art. They also teach the lesson that both parasitism and art pay very poorly.

They serve also in other ways. It was Mail Pouch, the Paul Revere of Ann Arbor, who tipped off the Michigan fraternity houses that the raiding revenooers were on the way. RUNDSCHAUER.

THE WORM TURNS

A college president who shall be nameless recently received a letter from an industrial concern, asking him to employ a man whom the industry found it impossible to employ any longer on account of the depression. The man had evidently entered industry from college work in prosperous times, since he had had considerable teaching experience. Having been deluged recently with similar requests, the college president gave way to his feelings and dictated the following frank reply:

"My Dear Mr. _____

I have your letter of March 10 regarding Mr. _____ and I have no doubt that his preparation and experience

would fit him very well indeed for a college or university position. May I say that the colleges of the country have never before been so pressed by industry to absorb their surplus men. On the other hand, in times of business expansion, the industries quite ruthlessly plunder the colleges by offering their best professors large salaries to leave college work and to enter industry. This is, I suppose, a natural economic process and one with which we should find no fault, but I think you may appreciate the perhaps not unnatural feeling of resentment which the colleges feel in thus being used as a buffer to take up the inequalities in industrial cycles.

Frankly, I have kept a file of such letters similar to your own which I hope to use effectively when the next peak comes and when you in industry are

trying to secure our best men by offers of high salaries. As a matter of fact, I think you will realize that colleges are subject to the same economic cycles as industry. I know of no institution at the present time which is increasing its faculty, but we are trying to do something which you industrialists seem not to be doing; that is, we are trying to hold in our employ the men we already have. I hope you will not take amiss the frankness of this letter. It is dictated by no personal feeling. I am simply trying to make clear the fact that when industry has overloaded itself in prosperous times, often at the expense of the colleges, it is scarcely fair to expect the colleges to come to the rescue when times are bad.

Very truly yours,

K.

From *School and Society*



SPRING HITS THE CAMPUS

Letters to the Editor

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presentation of the faculty view was in each case approved. The final report of the activities of this committee, distributed to all members, was approved without dissent at the most recent meeting of the Faculty. Further, each of the special faculties on the campus has met to decide what curricular changes it might make if drill became elective and no faculty has expressed dissatisfaction with the action of the University Faculty. Surely, these repeated considerations of various aspects of the problem at numerous meetings, with full information and with notice in advance, have given enough opportunity for adverse opinion to assert itself. After all, Faculty opinion is not so easily stifled.

CORNELIUS BETTEN
Dean, University Faculty

To the Editor of THE CORNELL ALUMNI NEWS:

We, the undersigned, wish to commend you for your editorial supporting compulsory military training as it appeared in the issue of April 20—a system of training which has brought to Cornell University the respect of the world for honor, patriotism, and good citizenship. In this time of world-wide stress and insecurity, it seems unbelievable that men of education and sound reasoning would advocate the discontinuance of a system which has furnished so many leaders in our past emergency. However that may be, the faculty has recently reported to the Trustees a recommendation of its Committee on Military Training that voluntary be substituted for compulsory drill. Their recommendations and statements in support of such recommendations are naïve, if not absolutely false.

This "fact finding" Committee states that "it is reasonably certain that no Federal or State Law requires Cornell to offer a compulsory course in military training." This statement is based upon a decision rendered by the Department of Interior in 1923. In this connection, it has been learned that one Mr. Finney of the Department of Interior, who wrote this opinion, frankly stated when questioned that he did not care "to get into a jam with Congress." This is probably the only explanation of a curb-stone opinion on which the Department of Interior has since acted. Neither the Department of Interior nor any other Department, including the Attorney General of Wisconsin, has the legal power to vary or waive any rights to which the United States Government is entitled under the Morrill Act. These opinions settle nothing in so far as the merits of the question are concerned. It has always been the opinion of the best legal minds that Land Grant Colleges and those receiving benefits

under the Morrill Act were required to train every able-bodied male citizen in military science. This question can and will only be settled when properly presented before The Supreme Court of the United States.

If we view the case during the time in which the Act was written, as would be done by the Supreme Court, namely the period following the Civil War when the Northern States realized that they had very nearly lost the war because of the lack of trained leaders, there can be but one answer, compulsory training.

To defend this contention, we quote from a speech by Justin S. Morrill, chief sponsor of the Morrill Land Grant Act, as taken from "Hearings before the Committee on Military Affairs, H. R. 8538, 1st session 69th Congress (1926).

"Mr. Morrill, the author of the bill, in making his great speech on this subject, said: while the world is in a transition period, and all lands do not yet rest from war, the art cannot be wholly neglected, inasmuch as it is still true that, 'one sword keeps another in its scabbard,' and therefore something of military science and discipline as an incident of these national colleges is provided for and *will be obtained by all their students*, supplying in an emergency to each state a valuable aggregate of available knowledge, and that without any charge to the national government."

From this statement it is undeniably evident that the intent and purpose of Mr. Morrill and Congress was, when the bill was passed, that military science was not optional but obligatory in the sense that there must be actual military training for every student of every Land Grant College. It is also as evident that each and every college that so readily became a beneficiary of that Act did so upon certain distinct conditions which, in good morals as well as in law, it is bound to perform. One of these obligations assumed was, and still is, that the college should require of all able-bodied male students, not excused for good cause, a study of military science.

Granting for the moment that the University faculty is charged with the duty of determining the methods of teaching, and that the question of compulsory or optional drill lies within their province, the change is loaded with such far reaching possibilities and penalties that, aside from the single fact that the faculty meeting was duly called and a majority present favored optional drill, we contend that there is a distinct and overpowering obligation on the part of the faculty thoroughly to canvass the faculty, to inquire into the present teaching methods, and to render their opinion based on the general good of Cornell University rather than merely on the supposed prerogatives of the teaching staff. To force action with a purely

technical parliamentary victory on this subject, and particularly at this time, savors of disloyalty to the University and the Country.

The Faculty Committee further maintains that in the event of optional training, the quality of men would be better. Just what is the basis for this statement? It is not clearly understandable. Certainly every able-bodied American is supposed to do his duty in the event of an emergency. Do we understand the faculty to mean by this statement that the better class of citizens are to offer their lives while the rabble are allowed to stand by and cheer?

A further allegation is that the general public is not supporting military training. This is not so. The general public of the United States is proud of its Army and believes strongly in military training and preparedness. This lack of support exists only in the minds of a certain few. The substitution of voluntary for compulsory drill is the first step of a well conceived Communist plan to reduce our defensive forces to impotency. The second step needs no remark, being its removal entirely. It might be as well and as sensible to disband all of our police forces at the same time.

The report is further alleged to state that "it may be borne in mind that it is nowhere asserted that the Basic Drill is really efficient training for military service." This statement is made by a faculty group who are totally unprepared to make such a statement and who have no authority whatsoever for their contentions. This statement is in direct opposition to the views and expressions of General Pershing, the Chief of Staff, The General Staff, other high ranking Army Officers, noted Educators, and the President of the United States, who believe the R.O.T.C. to be highly efficient for the training of young men.

It seems apparent that the faculty committee should be required to substantiate its implications. If Military Drill would be improved if made optional, clearly there must be faults in its present administration or in the general student attitude toward it. We have it on competent authority—and there is nothing in the report to contradict—that no faculty committee in five years has ever been inside the Drill Hall for purposes of investigation. The undersigned knows from personal knowledge that no attempt has been made to ascertain popular opinion among the students. We insist that such far reaching opinion should not be manufactured by synthetic methods.

We hope your editorial awakens the faculty, as well as the alumni, to the fact that their University must respect an honorable and moral debt, a debt so readily contracted while the University was in its infancy, a debt of honor to

every tax payer who for sixty-five years has cheerfully contributed toward this insurance of national defense.

Signed:

Frederick H. Anderson, '32
Stuart B. Avery, Jr., '32
Clyde G. Craig, '31
N. F. Crossley, '32
Walter T. Cussack, '32
John Feick, '32
I. W. Hamm, '32
Jerry C. O'Rourke, '32
George Pavliceck, '32
S. E. Steele, '31

Editor's note: It is not our intention to let the subject of military drill monopolize the columns of the ALUMNI NEWS. Much has been said and written recently on this subject. Not all of it has been temperate. The two statements appended state the respective attitudes of the faculty and of recent representative graduates who are interested in drill. They are temperate, courteous, and seem to require no further comment. The problem will undoubtedly have to be solved by the Board of Trustees after taking into consideration the rights of the Faculty, the needs of the Country, and the best interests of the University. R. W. S.

EVENING SONG

On a fair evening, when the hand of the clock approaches six, I go to the lawn behind the Library to bid farewell to the sun. There, while listening to the chimes, I watch the magnificent spectacle that Nature offers to those who are willing to watch it.

When the sun fades far away
In the crimson of the West.

There is a strange attraction in the setting sun; a fascinating sight is this disc of fire, sinking lower and lower in the western sky. Wherever I am, I look toward this hour, and I go to a place where I can have a last glimpse of its light. I have seen it melting in the snow of Russian plains, leaving only a cold glow on the pale winter sky; I have seen it plunging into an emerald sea, in the splendor of tropical colors;—the same sun, yet different each time. And now, watching it set beyond the western hills, I see a series of pictures.

I see an old windmill behind the village, and a flowering meadow stretching as far as the River Volga. There, beyond the dark fringe of the forests of the Trans-Volga, the sun sets in the golden dust of the evening. Peace and quiet are around. The shepherd plays his pipe somewhere, announcing the homecoming of his herd. In the evening calm, his simple, naïve melody sounds clear and plaintive,—the melody I shall never forget.

I see the blue Mediterranean, luminescent under the last rays of the sun descending toward the chain of the Esterel

Mountains that are painted with softest shades of violet against the canvas of the far-away horizon. Long after the sun has gone, the snowy tops of the Alps remain rosy,—they still see the sun.

The desolate Mexican desert arises next like a mirage. It is flooded with purple light from the clouds that float like feathers of a giant fire-bird. The big brazen sun is still hot, although in a minute it will be hidden by that arid hill.

Now it is all water instead of sand, and flying fishes brush the crests of the low, lazy waves. In an apotheosis of flaming clouds, the sun descends into the blazing ocean, sending out mighty streamers of light, like spokes of the wheel of God's chariot. Before such a splendid and majestic picture, man feels how small he is in the face of Nature; how great he is to be able to enjoy this beauty.

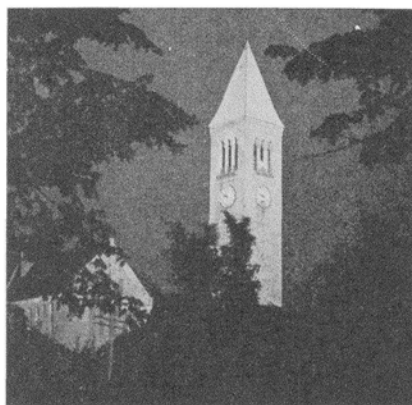
And the voices of the day
Murmur low and sink to rest,

Lower and lower sinks the sun beyond the western hills, flooding the valley with crimson light. The mirror of the lake reflects the glowing sky and the snowy piles of south-bound clouds.

Why is there a feeling of sadness that creeps on the soul at this sight of the expiring day? Is it that we think of the day after which there will be no tomorrow; of the night that will come after this sun will have set for us the last time? Or is it the same strange feeling of longing that comes at the contemplation of pure beauty?

Music with the twilight falls
O'er the dreamy lake and dell.

The sun has gone. The western sky and the lake are still ablaze, but the crimson dusk over the valley fades into deep blue. A veil of mist rises over the town below, and lights begin to glimmer there like golden stars.



Welcome night and welcome rest;
Fading music, fare thee well.

There is a bench by the Library wall, dedicated "to those who shall sit here rejoicing; to those who shall sit here mourning." There were many who had come here to think their thoughts at

this hour of sunset; there are many others who will come here after me, to forget themselves in the contemplation of the eternal beauty of the setting sun.

I am not rejoicing, nor am I mourning. I feel in me the same peace that is spread around me; the peace of a wanderer who, after a long journey, has reached his goal. I look back on the long road from Volga to Cayuga and to the campus on the Hill. I feel content. I have found what I was after; and when I go away, I shall carry with me the words,

Love to thee, our fair Cornell.

ANATOLE SAFONOV '33

Editors' Note: Mr. Safonov is a "White" Russian who, since leaving his native country several years ago, has worked his way gradually to America through many European cities in order to obtain means to attend college. This essay was not intended by him for publication, but was written as a theme in an English course. The professor in charge sent it to the ALUMNI NEWS with a thought that it is a new presentation of a familiar Cornell scene, a thing which happens all too seldom. Many of our readers will remember Mr. Safonov as the very big bass singer in the Cornell Russian Quintet.

The Freshmen Fight Everybody

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cries, whenever they discovered a sophomore. *Examples of their antics:* heaving rocks through the clock-faces of the Library Tower; invading a sorority dance at the Ithaca Country Club, breaking windows, and inviting the sisters to elect between dancing with them or suffering some vaguely terrible fate; storming Sage College by scaling ladders thrown against the walls, and frightening the women.

Campus sentiment is generally to deplore the actions of the freshmen, especially the throwing of eggs in front of Willard Straight Hall, the property damage, and general distribution of garbage over the community. *The Cornell Daily Sun* calls it "disgusting," expresses the opinion that we have out-grown that sort of thing, and asks for discipline upon the entire freshman class.

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT W. ATWOOD of Washington have announced the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Havens, to Charles C. Remsen, Jr., '30, son of Charles C. Remsen '01. Miss Atwood graduated from Skidmore in 1931. Remsen is attending George Washington University and working in the United States Patent office.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT W. STEWART of Locke, N. Y., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Putnam, to Henry B. Van Duzer '35.

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CLASS SPIRIT

Breaks Out in Blotches

THE STUDENT COUNCIL finds itself in possession of a hot task. Freshmen and sophomores have burst into inter-class rivalry that has already resulted in acts of vandalism and other unpleasantnesses justly requiring the services of the police in a big way.

It is almost impossible to control this sort of situation with a remote, impersonal form of government of the sort afforded by the Student Council. Excellent in many ways, it has eliminated the personal government of the class that formerly existed under class officers. As a matter of fact, the feeling of class solidarity and group loyalty is no longer as keen under committee government, principally by non-members of the class, as it was under the guidance of class officers.

Before this present type of "class spirit" is replaced by a real feeling of membership in a class, it will undoubtedly be necessary to provide a direct government by class officers, perhaps under the general direction of the Student Council, or with a distinct line of cleavage between the functions of the two bodies.

Alumni life would undoubtedly be enriched by this return to class consciousness. It has been almost lacking for many years, since the abolition of class officers, and class autonomy.

The principal objection to class elections seemed to be their encouraging of "dirty politics." Whether the present system is wholly free from this taint or not, we do not propose to discuss here now. If so, perhaps the Student Council

could still control politics. Perhaps, even, the little experiences in politics could be regarded as appropriate training for citizenship. The "old boys" with this experience have certainly not fared badly in elections in later life.

Obituaries

AVERY TURNER '73 died at his home in Amarillo, Texas, on April 14. He was born in 1851 on a farm near Quincy, Illinois, the son of Edward and Lucretia Newhall Turner. He entered Cornell in 1869 and took two years of Civil Engineering, then going out to the Mississippi levees for his first work. For the past fifty-eight years he had been in the employ of the Santa Fé Railroad, starting as a rodman and surveyor, and having an unusual career which ended in his holding various high executive positions during the past twenty years. He was vice-president of the Amarillo Bank and Trust Company, and since his fiftieth anniversary of service with the Santa Fé, he had also been general agent, land and tax commissioner of the Southwestern territory and had handled legislative matters for the Santa Fé. He was "credited with having more to do with the development" of that part of the United States than any other man. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ten Eyck Turner, three sisters, and two brothers.

GEORGE MATSON WELLES, '17 B.S., prominent farmer in Chemung County, N. Y., died on August 17. He was born in Wyalusing, Pa., on July 22, 1854, the son of Matthias Hollenbeck and Mary Ackley Welles. As a farmer he was known particularly for his fruit raising and for breeding of full-blooded Holstein cattle. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ida Bushnell Welles, and four children, Matthias H. Welles '04, George Edward Welles '07, J. Sloat Welles, and Mrs. Emily Welles Hammond.

SARAH HUGHES GILBERT '84, a teacher at the Millersville, Pa., Normal School, died on January 9, 1932. She took a year in the science and letters course.

WILLIAM MORRISON, '94 M.E., until his retirement in March, 1932, president for twenty years of the Highland Body Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of motor truck bodies and cabs, died on April 3. He was born in Cincinnati on April 11, 1872, the son of Thomas and Olivia Procter Morrison. He was a member of Chi Phi. He is survived by a brother, James Morrison '03. He was unmarried.

ABRAHAM LANDE '05, a leading physician and surgeon in Elmira, N. Y., died suddenly of a heart attack on June 20. He was born in Elmira on March 11, 1882, the son of Theodore and Bertha Panimo Lande. He took a year of medicine and later received his M.D. at Buffalo Univer-

sity. He is survived by his mother, a sister and three brothers, William M. Lande, Herman Lande, and Isaac Lande '07.

MAX SMITH HIGGINS, '06 M.E., general manager of the Higgins Supply Company in McGraw, N. Y., which he founded in 1921, died in Cortland on March 18, as a result of complications following influenza. He was born in Truxton, N. Y., on June 22, 1882, the son of Frank W. and Kittie Smith Higgins. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Cora Edgecomb Higgins, a brother, R. Paul Higgins '02, and a sister, Mrs. John S. Howell of Ithaca.

REUBEN GORDON, '25 D.V.M., a veterinarian on Long Island, died at the Metropolitan Hospital in New York on March 21, of tuberculosis. He was born in 1897 in London, England, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marks Gordon. He was a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi, and was president of the Society of Comparative Medicine in his senior year. He is survived by two brothers, Harry N. Gordon '15, and Alexander Gordon '19.

SCHLITZ ELECTS

Cornellians to Office

In line with the policy of the Jos. Schlitz Brewing Company to carry again the name Schlitz to the far corners of the globe, the directors of the company, at a meeting March 27, elected the following new officers, which include four Cornellians of the same family.

Chairman of the Board, Alfred Uihlein; President, Erwin C. Uihlein; vice-president, Joseph E. Uihlein '01; vice-president and secretary, Robert A. Uihlein '05; vice-president, Wm. B. Uihlein '12; vice-president, George Uihlein; vice president, Edgar J. Uihlein '00; vice-president, S. E. Abrams.

Erwin C. Uihlein, the new President, is the youngest son of the late August Uihlein, who with his uncles, August Krug and Jos. Schlitz, founded the company in 1849.

Mr. Uihlein has had a thorough grounding in the art of brewing, having learned the trade some twenty years ago, concluding his studies on brewing at the Wahl-Henius laboratories in Chicago and at the Joergenson Laboratories in Copenhagen, Denmark.

CLYDE A. REYNOLDS '29 B.L.A. is a landscape draftsman with the Long Island State Park Commission. His address is 72 George Street, Babylon, N. Y.

MR. OTTO W. SARTORIUS of Montclair, New Jersey, has announced the engagement of his daughter, Janet D., to J. Evans Estabrook '32, son of William S. Estabrook '00. Miss Sartorius is a graduate of the Bennett School. Estabrook is on the staff of the *Syracuse Post-Standard*.

The Week On The Campus

PEOPLE used to make jokes about the college graduate, bloated with pride and confidence, stepping forth into the world with his diploma under his arm and expecting the world to vacate for him its posts of power and influence. Such jokes never had much basis in fact, and now they have none at all. The senior of today is a humble, cringing fellow; he expects no welcome from the world, and the most he hopes for is the permission to cling, an unnoticed flea, to the sickly body of Business.

WE HAVE ESTABLISHED a University Placement Bureau (under the direction of Herbert H. Williams '25) whose chief function at the moment is the dispensing of sympathy. The chances for young engineers, architects, teachers, and agricultural experts is unmitigatedly bad. And yet there are certain gleams of cheer. "A fair number of the law school graduates are already placed, and if the experience of the past two years is any criterion all of the men will be placed by next September or October," says Professor John W. MacDonald '25 of the School of Law. Few of our law alumni are unemployed; there are a good many openings for qualified men in the smaller cities of the state. And Professor Howard B. Meek of the Department of Hotel Management confidently expects to place all the June graduates by September. He notes that of the 174 graduates of the school 170 are now employed. "The opportunities for trained men in the hotel industry will be unparalleled."

MEANWHILE, most of the undergraduates seem to be philosophical. The undergraduate animus is directed not against society but against members of rival classes. They are throwing eggs, not hand grenades. Some of them show their philosophical mood by planning to stay on to do graduate work. A few are going to the South Seas, said to be the best place to be philosophical. Daniel B. McElroy '35 of Grosse Pointe Park, Mich., L. S. Serfass, Grad., of Easton, Pa., and R. S. Knowles '34 of Voorheesville are going on a little trip in a 50-foot schooner by way of Panama, Samoa, New Caledonia, and Singapore to New Bedford. This will take a year; when they get back either the Trouble will be over or they can make a living as pirates.

WILLARD STRAIGHT Memorial Hall was jammed for the New York State Smoker. The principal speakers were President Farrand, Dr. Floyd S. Winslow '06, and J. T. (Terry) McGovern '00. The versatile Terry McGovern, who is lawyer, author, sports writer, orator, and social worker (he is president of the "Gas House Boys' Club," an organiza-

tion of a thousand East Side boys who have graduated from prisons and reformatories) is planning to write his first novel. He is thinking of contrasting the life of a typical Gas House Boy with that of a boy who grows up on Park Avenue, a few blocks to the west. His book will be definitely not that of the Theodore Dreiser-Sinclair Lewis School, which gives rise to serious misconceptions of American life and even mutual face-slapping.

ANOTHER OLD FRIEND in town during the week was Clarence F. Hirshfeld, M.M.E. '05, formerly Professor of Mechanical Engineering here, now Chief of Research in the Detroit Edison Company, and the man who used to delight Freshman banquets by his demonstration of the efforts of a prognathous and apognathous family to blow out a candle. Mr. Hirshfeld talked on "Straight Thinking" to the A. I. E. E. and A. S. M. E.

THE SAGE PREACHER was the Right Reverend Charles Fiske, Bishop of the Central New York diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

THE *Law Quarterly* Banquet was attended by many eminent jurists and friends of the Law College.

THE CREST of Connecticut Hill, the highest elevation in this neighborhood, has been purchased by Robert H. Treman '78. The hill lies between Seneca and Cayuga Lakes; the view in two directions is broad and long, and very soothing to the reflective eye. Mr. Treman will do some planting and landscaping, in the unobtrusive manner adopted in the new State Parks; he will permit free access to the public at all times. And the public is grateful for this latest act of its tribune, who has preserved for the people many other of nature's favored spots. Mr. and Mrs. Treman personally gave to the State the land that is now the Enfield and Buttermilk State Parks; they gave to the city the land at the foot of Cascadilla Gorge, and a large tract beside Six-Mile Creek. They are also the donors of the County Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Taughannock Falls.

IT IS PROPOSED to erect a memorial to the late Professor Othon G. Guerlac on the summit of Connecticut Hill. One can only applaud the motive that prompts this proposal, and indeed one must deem such a memorial entirely fitting. And yet, for myself, I feel that a means of remembrance could be found that would be more in keeping with his dominating thoughts and purposes. In his own scale of values, his delight in the beauty of our countryside was something less than his

desire to help the cause of international understanding, less than the importance of his daily work, the dissemination of the best French culture and tradition. I think that better than a personal memorial on Connecticut Hill he would have liked the establishment of a book fund in the University Library, for the purchase of books representing French thought; or the endowment of a prize in the High School, for proficiency in French.

"MRS. THILLY is Reported Beer Choice," says a headline in the *Ithaca Journal-News*. Being interpreted, this means that Mrs. Frank J. Thilly, wife of the Professor of Philosophy, is likely to be the state appointee to the Tompkins County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.

PROFESSOR James E. Boyle, of the Department of Agricultural Economics, urged upon the Rotarians of New York State and Canada, in convention in Utica, the cancellation of war debts and the abolition of tariff walls.

THE EDWARD YORK Memorial Prize in Architecture was won by Elmer Manson '35 of Massena.

THE FUERTES MEMORIAL Contest was won by Morgan Sibbett '34 of Provo, Utah. The second prize went to Don F. Hackstaff of Huntington, and the third to F. P. Clark '33 of Kingston.

THE SUNDAY MUSICAL was given by William Gizzarelli, a boy prodigy violinist, assisted by his brother, Ermanno F. Gizzarelli '32 of Port Henry.

ALPHA ZETA, by defeating Theta Chi, became the volley ball champion of the University.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP for Cornell! Lindy's Carlina, three-year-old Ayrshire, produced in 305 days 16,458 pounds of milk, yielding 568 pounds of butter fat, a world's record as a producer in her class. Who remembers "producer of producers; she must go on?"

FIFTY YEARS AGO: "Those who complain of the present cold and disagreeable season should find consolation in the fact that it might be much worse. The spring of 1852 it began snowing on the 19th of April and continued until the 21st, from two to three feet of snow covering this entire section of the country."

TWENTY-FIVE years ago: "If they decide to, Ithacans will be given the opportunity this summer to see the aerohydrodynamic flying machine 'Boomerang,' owned by Charles Oliver Jones of Hammondsport."

M. G. B.

Concerning The Alumni

'86—Philip Eltinge, formerly Collector of the Port of New York, was presented on his retirement with a leather-bound vellum album inscribed with the signatures of employes of the Custom House, in a farewell ceremony marking the close of Mr. Eltinge's ten years of service. Nearly two-thirds of the 600 employes who have served under him since his appointment in 1923 by President Harding attended the ceremony. Mr. Eltinge intends to return to his law practice in Kingston, N. Y., where he makes his home.

'90BL—J. DuPratt White will preside at the unveiling of a tablet in memory of Stephen Mather, former director of National Parks, on May 27 in Bear Mountain Park. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will speak at the ceremony.

'96ME—Malcolm C. Rorty, and two associates, form a committee representing the holders of fifteen-year debentures of the Associated Telephone Utilities Company, which is to "give the debenture holders an independent voice in the framing of any plan of reorganization" and otherwise to protect their interests.

'03-'04 Sp—George H. Phelps of Detroit has been made an officer of the Legion of Honor. He served as president of the American committee of the International Exposition held in Paris last year. He was presented with a ribbon of the Legion of Honor in 1930, and awarded the Grand Cross of the Black Star of Benin in 1932.

'00—Clarence H. Knapp has been named director of publications in the New York Department of State. He served as mayor of Saratoga Springs from 1923 to 1927 and has been prominent in Democratic politics. He is well known for his contributions to humorous publications under the name of "Ambrose Glutz."

'05 AB—Wallace T. Holliday, president of the Standard Oil Company of Ohio, has sent a letter to all department heads ordering them not to purchase materials from manufacturers who indulge in unreasonable wage or price cutting. He said recent disclosures of sweatshop conditions in some lines prompted a definite outline of the company's policies on purchases.

'11 BS—J. Charles Laue is executive secretary of the Consolidated Home Owners Mortgage Committee.

'14 BS—Dr. Nicholas Kopeloff was a speaker at the fourth annual conference on interpretations of physical education held recently at New York University. Other speakers were Dr. D. B. Dill of the Fatigue Laboratory at Harvard, and Dr. George Crile of Cleveland.

'15 LLB—Walter M. Hort has been elected recording secretary of the Metropolis Club in New York.

'16—Harold L. Bache, of J. S. Bache and Company, is head of a special committee named by the new Commodity Exchange, Inc., to co-operate with the Stock Exchange and other commission houses, and to arrange to obtain options for the purchase of extra memberships from members who have such memberships available as the result of the consolidation of the National Silk Exchange, the National Metal Exchange, the Rubber Exchange of New York, and the New York Hide Exchange.

'16, '17 AB—Dr. Harry N. Glick has recently been appointed assistant otolaryngologist at the Barnes and Children's Hospitals at Washington University in St. Louis, and laryngologist at the Missouri Baptist and the Lutheran Hospitals in St. Louis. His address is 3115 South Grand Boulevard.

'19, '23 WA—Edgar M. Queeny, president of the Monsanto Chemical Works in St. Louis, has announced that his company has acquired control of the Swann Corporation of Birmingham, Ala., which has as subsidiaries the Swann Chemical Company of Birmingham, the Provident Chemical Company of St. Louis, and the Wilckes Company of Camden, N. J.

'19—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Leavenworth Smith have announced the marriage of their daughter, Harriet Large, to Frank G. Royce '19, on April 8 in Toms Rivers, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. Royce are living at 126 South Eighteenth Street, Philadelphia.

'25 BS—Joseph H. Nolin is resident auditor for Horwath and Horwath at the Commodore Perry Hotel in Toledo, Ohio. His address is Plaza Hotel, 2518 Monroe Street.

'26 AB—L. O. Rostenberg, chairman of the business property division in White Plains, N. Y., and president of Rostenberg Associates, commenting on the latest vacancy survey of the city of White Plains, believes that the bottom has been reached in conditions there, and that they are due for an upturn. During the past year the percentage of store vacancies has remained unchanged, although for the past two years there had been an increase in vacancies. He said, "More so than ever before, White Plains is apparently a trading center for a huge population outside the city proper."

'26 BS—Alan W. Crosby, who has been studying landscape architecture at Harvard, has been awarded a traveling fellowship for the academic year of 1933-'34, under the Frederick Sheldon Fund.

'27 AB, '28 EE; '27 AB—The address of Francis P. Keiper '27 and Mrs. Keiper (Helen M. Fien '27) is now 4320 River Road, N.W., Washington. Keiper is a patent attorney with the Bendix Aviation Corporation.

'27—Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Spitzer of Brooklyn have announced the engage-

ment of their daughter, Harriet, to Raymond Reisler '27. Miss Spitzer is a graduate of Adelphi and is taking her master's degree at New York University. Reisler graduated in 1929 from the Columbia Law School and is now practicing law in Brooklyn. He is a member of the board of governors of the Brooklyn Junior Federation and the Unity Club.

'28 ME—Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Williams of Glens Falls, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Josephine Birdsall, to Foster T. Rhodes '28. Miss Williams is a graduate of Vassar. Rhodes is with the Onondaga Pottery Company.

'29 ME—Dr. and Mrs. Frank Quackenbush of Northport, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia, to Wade W. MacConnell '29. Miss Quackenbush graduated from Mount Holyoke in 1929.

'29 BArch, '30 MArch—Edwin H. Cordes is now on a world cruise.

'30—Milton S. Billmire is with the First National Bank of Baltimore.

'30 AB, '32 LLB—Maxwell A. Gronich has recently opened an office for the general practice of law at 305 Broadway, New York.

'31 BS; '32 ME—Eugene Barvian '06 and Mrs. Barvian of White Plains, N. Y., have announced the marriage of their daughter Mary '31, to Henry C. Purcell '32, on April 16. Mr. and Mrs. Purcell will live in White Plains. He is associated with an oil company in Bronxville.

'31 AB—Daniel R. Terry is teaching in the Port Jefferson, N. Y., Station school. His address is Terryville, Long Island.

'32 AB—Archie R. Morrison is in the investment banking business in Miami, Fla. He lives at 1408 Castile Avenue, Coral Gables.

Mailing Addresses

'88—Henry W. Fisher, 385 North Baldwin Street, Sierra Madre, Calif.

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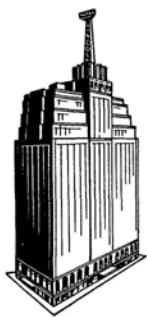
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