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Alumni Welcomed Back for Home Football Games

Chapter Welcomes Total of 16 Men

Two Sophomores And 12 Frosh Pledged

In these days of conscription talk and warnings of curtailed college enrollment, your chapter has been successful in pledging 14 fine new men, and welcoming two affiliates from other chapters. Among the pledges are two sophomores and 12 freshmen.

First sophomore pledge is *Fredrick S. Johnson* of Westfield, N. J. son of a fruit grower. Fred stands six two, is out for crew, majors in pomology, and aspires to follow his Dad's line of business.

From Buenos Aires

Second sophomore is *Eduardo M. Ricarte*, Buenos Aires, son of an Argentine diplomat. He attended the Valley Forge Military Academy before coming to Cornell, is majoring in agronomy. First on the freshman list is six-foot *William C. Arthur* of Meadville, Pa., where his father is a mechanical engineer with a bent towards industrial engineering.

First legacy on the list is *Robert G. Conway* of Albany, brother of *Jack Conway* '37. Bob attended Christian Bros. Academy in Albany, is quite a golfer, is enrolled in agriculture, but at this point couldn't quite tell you if he wants to be a lawyer or a farmer.

Brother of Carl Friend

Second legacy is *Edward S. Friend*, Hartland, Wisc., brother of *Carl O. Friend* '38. His father is also a Cornellian, *Robert E. Friend* '09. Ed attended Milwaukee Country Day School, is enrolled in mechanical engineering. His Dad is president of the Nordberg Mfg. Co. in Milwaukee, with which company Carl is also associated.

Charles F. Geyer, Rock Falls, Ill., is a cousin of *Larry Wheeler* '40.

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Sophomore Bill Vinton Killed in Auto Crash

Tragic news came to the house late at night on October 11, news that *William D. Vinton* '43 had been killed in an automobile crash while enroute to the Cornell-Army game at West Point. He was the brother of *Bob Vinton* '39.

Bill was travelling with two companions in a Ford convertible near Highland, N. Y., when the car was unable to make a curve in the road and turned over. The two companions, one of whom was the driver, were unhurt.

Bill came from Birmingham, Mich., was enrolled in Arts & Sciences, was a member of the *Widow* photographic board. *Pete Peterson* '41 represented the chapter at the funeral in Birmingham.

Amortization Campaign Is Proceeding Steadily

The campaign to secure funds for the reduction of the mortgage on the house is being vigorously carried forward by the committee, which at the present time consists of the following men:

R. W. Hooker '21, chairman; *L. B. Colt* '22, vice-chairman; *L. V. Spangberg* '20, *Ansley Wilcox* '21, *F. J. Tone, Jr.* '24, and *H. W. Hooker, Jr.* '28.

Collections have been somewhat disappointing, but Chairman Hooker is confident that, as the various alumni appreciate the needs of the case, their response will take the form of generous contributions. Checks should be made out to Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell, and mailed to *R. W. Hooker*, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Whit Boardman Married

We have sketchy information that *Whitney Boardman* '40 has become the first groom of his class, having married Miss *Sandra Cathcart* of California in June. They are living in Palo Alto, Calif.

Shortage of Tickets For Ohio State Game

Will Boost the Attendance At Columbia Game

These football weekends are passing by so fast we hope there are some left by the time this paper reaches you. We hope many of you have been able to secure tickets for the Ohio State game (it was a sell-out on September 30); if you haven't perhaps you can make the Columbia game, November 2, which is the University Homecoming weekend.

We extend all alumni a hearty welcome to the house and hope that many of you will spend a night or so with us. We can't guarantee to accommodate an unlimited number, but we will take care of as many as the house will hold.

Come to House for Meals

We will accommodate all of you for meals at the house, however, and be sure to bring your family and friends. There is usually a buffet lunch before the game, Saturday noon, followed by the regular Saturday night supper after the game.

If we can arrange special accommodations for you kindly drop a line to chapter president *Walker Peterson* '41. We hope every alumnus who comes to town will find time to come to the house, and the longer you can stay the better.

"Ham" Knight Marries Lorraine Lundy of Iowa

William B. (Ham) Knight, Jr. '38 of Ithaca made a trip to the altar in Watkins Glen on September 25 with Miss *Lorraine Lundy* of Albia, Iowa. His sister was the bride's attendant, *Jack Conway* '37 was his bestman.

The bride was graduated from Stephens College, Missouri, and the University of Iowa. She is a member of Delta Gamma. "Ham" is associated with his father at the Public Market in Ithaca.

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Appreciation Expressed For Rushing Assistance

Sincere appreciation is forthcoming for you men from the chapter in general, and rushing-chairman *John C. Eddison '42* in particular, for the splendid cooperation on sending in recommendations for fraternity membership. Some men even did some personal contact work.

Rushing, as you know, is always a hectic period, and any such assistance goes a long way to lighten the load. Our good success this year is due in a large measure to your help. Here's hoping that subsequent years bring as good, and possibly, even better cooperation and good success as this year.

Alva Bradley '07 Tells Why Players Go to Him

You baseball fans probably suffered a pang or so when *Alva Bradley's '07* Cleveland Indians were dropped by the wayside during the closing games of the red hot American League race (unless you are a Detroiters).

In commenting upon criticism that players on the Cleveland team were able to go above the manager to present grievances to him, he remarked: "I've been in business all my life. Baseball is only one of my activities. From the start my brother and I decided we would be as close to our employees as we possibly could. We decided there never would be a time when one of them could not come to us with a grievance".

The brother, of course, is *Charles Bradley '08*, operator of the Higbee Co., one of the largest and most successful department stores in the country.

Canadian Resident Tells of Life in a Country At War; Spirit and Cooperation Are Remarkable

By J. C. Smith '41

One rather unexpected development in the house has been an increase in the number of foreign students. Now there are three: *Eduardo Ricaurte* from Buenos Aires; *Julio "Nick" Cadenas* from Havana, Cuba; and the writer. As someone remarked the other day, we are almost running a Cosmopolitan Club.

Although my "permanent" address has always been Montreal, Quebec, I have hardly been there three weeks out of the 52 in the last five years. Living so much in the U. S. I had come to feel almost more of an American than a Canadian. But that is past.

Made Aware of Nationality

One of the first effects of the war was to make everyone aware of his nationality. Everyone has been classified and segregated. And the border between the countries has become much harder to cross. For Canadians to get out of Canada involves enough red tape to tie down even a customs official.

Many people have asked me what the feeling is in Canada regarding the war. Perhaps the best way to describe it is "determined optimism". Certainly no one up there is blinding himself to the possibilities of disaster, but everyone intends to do everything possible to avert it. The cooperation is remarkable.

Profits May Mean Nothing

While industries welcome the business which keeps them going at full capacity, 24 hours a day, they recognize that the profits they are making now may mean less than nothing in a year or two. No one crows over a rising sales curve. In a fight like this private ambitions are given second place.

Perhaps indicative of the sentiment is the fact that when the second war

loan was launched in September, \$300,000,000 was subscribed in less than ten days. Considering that Canada is a country of only 11,000,000 people, it is obvious that the will-to-win is there. More directly affecting the people at large, however, are the increased taxes. The National Defense tax of 3% on incomes over \$1,200; a 70% tax on new automobiles; a 50% tax on liquor; municipal, provincial and federal taxes on everything that can conceivably be considered luxury—all make living more expensive than ever.

Everyone Over 16 Registered

Many of the companies have given their employees a 10% increase in salaries to take care of this, but many of them have also cancelled all vacations. Still, nobody complains, or at least not much.

On August 16, last, everybody over 16, except convicts and cloistered nuns, registered. In five days some 7,000,000 people filled out blanks giving their life history and abilities. One of the chief questions was; "Can you milk a cow?" It was the first step toward the draft.

In September all single men of 21 and 22 took a medical examination for the army; those who passed will be required to take six weeks training for Home Defense. As yet there has been no draft for active service. All Canadians overseas are volunteers.

Old School Friends in Action

There are a great many volunteers. The war comes considerably closer home when one boy I went to school with helped destroy Dunquerque after the evacuations; another was killed in a bombing raid; and a third received the Distinguished Flying Cross. The army has entered everyone's life. I expect to take training next summer; my brother-in-law has joined.

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Treas., Republican Committee

All good Republicans can imagine that *Charles B. Goodspeed '08* is a busy man these weeks as treasurer of the National Republican Committee; and particularly so since the Hatch Act has given each party cause to watch the tactics of their opponents as well as to keep things legal in the home office.

Bill Luke is Expecting

Bill Luke '39 and wife Peggy won't be up for their annual football trip this year—they are expecting a newcomer along about November, for which we wish them the best of luck. Bill is with the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company at Mechanicsville where his address is 128 South 2nd Street.

New Pledge Class Includes Relatives Of Four Alpha Delts

**Unusual Number of Tall
Boys Among Frosh;
Prospects Good**

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He comes from a manufacturing family, is enrolled in mechanical engineering, and looks forward to continuing the family business traditions. Second man from Culver is *Ralph W. Harris* of Chicago, son of a physician. Ralph stands well over six feet, goes 190, and is a promising polo man, having played varsity at Culver. He was also editor-in-chief of the year book. He plans to follow his father's profession. *Richard P. Roenke* comes from nearby Geneva where his father is a merchant. He is another lanky lad, comes from The Hill School, and may make good basketball and polo material. He is majoring in dairy farming.

Attended University School

Tallest of the class is *Lincoln R. Scafe, Jr.* who stretches six three. He comes from the University School in Cleveland, and strangely enough for his height, his favorite sport is hockey. He is related to a member of the Hudson chapter; his father is in sales work, and he is enrolled in electrical engineering.

Second man from Milwaukee Country Day School is *Herman C. Schumm, III* of Milwaukee, another son of a physician. Although fairly short of stature, he was captain of football. At Cornell he is a football and hockey prospect. He is majoring in government courses, but plans a career in business.

Will Make Good Pianist

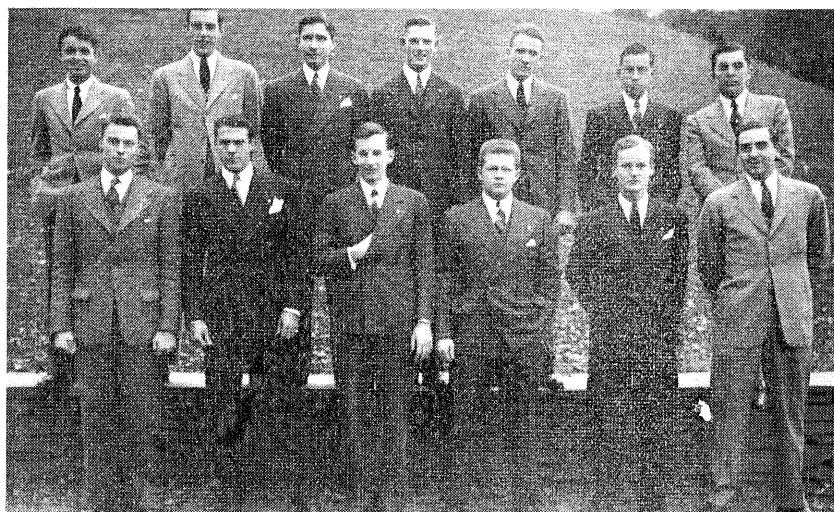
Pianist of the class is *James C. Totman*, Baltimore, Md., son of the president of the Summers Fertilizer Co. Jim attended Phillips Exeter

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Back for Colgate Game

Among the alumni we bumped into on the weekend of the Colgate game, October 5, were *Elliott Tubbs '30* and *Hal Sawyer '30*. Tubbs is a special agent for the Royal Indemnity Company in Buffalo; and Hal is with DuPont in Wilmington, Del.

Newest Candidates for Membership



THESE ASSORTED EXPRESSIONS are on the following, back, left to right: Totman, Scafe, Arthur, Whittier, Riggs, Friend, Conway. Front: Johnson, Woods, Whitaker, Schumm, Geyer, Harris. Missing: Ricuarte, Roenke.

Singing at Meals Improved; Athletics Show Promise; Classical Musical Popular

Singing at dinner seems to have improved considerably this year. While the quality of the voices is probably not much better, there is more zest exhibited, and often the harmony sounds reasonably harmonious

With boys out for football, crew, polo and track; and with four managers of sports in the house, things are looking up athletically. Athletic manager *Bud Richardson '41* predicts a good season in interfraternity football, cross country, golf and tennis this year, to which prediction we add our blessing.

Scholastically we weren't too good last year, but things should take a turn for the better. Several fellows hold scholarships; one man made the Dean's list; and our newly-formed scholarship committee will do much to help the freshmen.

Classical music, from being almost unknown and discredited in the house, has spread until it is hard to say which is more popular, swing or Beethoven. The classicists are rather more retiring, however, so you needn't worry about coming into the house about dinner time and finding the phonograph giving forth with Schubert's "Unfinished".

Doors Have Closed On Alpha Delt Club

As you may have read in other periodicals, the Alpha Delta Phi clubhouse at 136 West 44th Street, New York City, closed its doors on September 20, the building turned over to a New York bank to satisfy a mortgage. A dwindling membership, and the overflow of Broadway's noise to the club's location, combined with the mortgage, were the reasons for closing a club which served Alpha Delt alumni for 33 years.

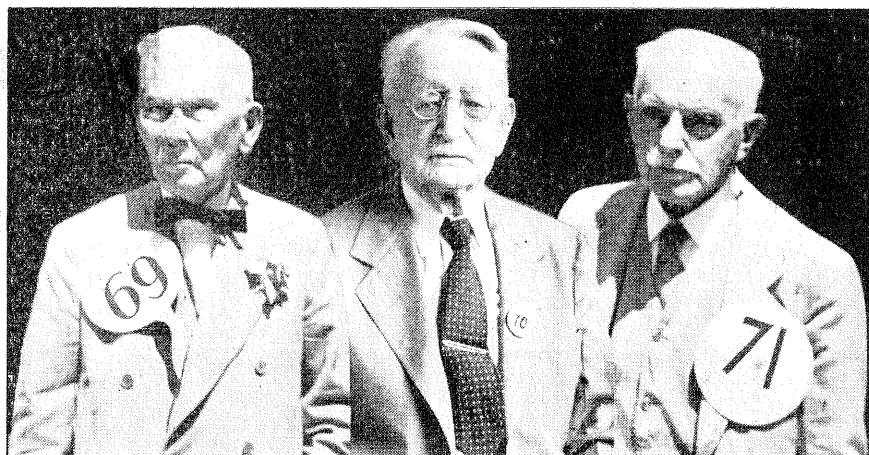
Temporary quarters have been set up at the Williams Club, 24 East 39th Street; plans are indefinite for a new location. Among the club's belongings which have been placed in storage are autographed books of Theodore Roosevelt, Edward Everett Hale, Francis Parkham, historian; James Russell Lowell, Joseph H. Choate, all Alpha Delt.

Dust has already settled upon the library and bar of the quarters which was home for many Alpha Delta Phi alumni for many years.

W. D. Grand '12 Deceased

We were recently notified of the death of *Warren Douglas Grand '12* which took place on August 3, 1940, in Montreal, Canada. His brother, *Gordan Grand* (Williams chapter) notified us that he died very suddenly while reading a book.

Dixon '70 Among Oldest Alumni



Cornell Alumni News

THESE ARE THE THREE oldest living alumni of the University as they attended class reunions last year. Center is Alpha Delt Dr. Brandt V. B. Dixon '70, president emeritus of Newcomb College University from New Orleans, La. Left is John A. Rea '69, and right is Royal Taft '71. All three were given a fine ovation at the reunion rally.

New Freshman Class Includes Four Legacies

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where he was tennis manager. He is enrolled in Arts & Sciences, plans to go into business. Another slender six footer is *Vernon R. Whitaker* of Birmingham, Ala., who comes from the Woodberry Forest School. Interested in guns, he is quite a crack shot. His course is chemical engineering.

Still another tall lad is *Frank W. Whittier*, Douglassville, Pa., who attended The Hill School where he was on the track team. At Cornell he is out for track and crew. Son of a cattle breeder, he is enrolled in A. E. M. E.

Last on the list is *Robert J. Woods* of Pelham Manor, son of a New York City broker. Bob participated in football and track in high school, is now most interested in track and polo. He also stands over six feet, is enrolled in A. E. M. E.

Schurman Tries Scalise

Recent trial of George Scalise, notorious unionizer, was held before Judge *Jacob G. Schurman, Jr.* '17 with a conviction of stealing from his union.

Resident of Canada Tells Effect of War

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ed the air force; and my brother *Jos Smith* '38 has signed up as well.

The will to win is apparent everywhere. The taxes accepted almost without complaint; the enormous number of volunteers, particularly in the air force; the heightened, yet far from hysterical activity—all show a grim determination to do everything possible for victory. Slogans are numerous. In the second War Loan, the chief cities were "bombed" with pamphlets reading, "Buy Bonds to Beat Barbarism". And every other car carries a sticker which reads, "Chins up! There will always be an England".

I think all Canadians now feel the related sentiment — the hope that there will always be a Canada as well.

For the Political-Minded

Some months ago *Edgar M. Queeny* '19, president of Monsanto Chemical Co., announced that he was going on half time and half salary with his company to devote his services to the candidacy of Wendell Wilkie.

Alumni News Briefs

Bill Rockwell Married

Although we are a little late, we would nevertheless like to extend best wishes to *Bill Rockwell* '38 on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Olive Vroman, Cornell '39, Alpha Phi, which took place in June. Bill is an engineer for the Public Service Electric & Gas Co., West New York, N. J., where he may be addressed until we learn his new residence address.

Sails Yawl on Sound

Among the many sailors on Long Island Sound is *H. Roy Manny* '13 who's yawl, Night Wind, did some fine work last summer in the races from the Larchmont Yacht Club. Roy operates the Atlantic Zinc Works in Brooklyn, lives at Larchmont. The engagement of his daughter Lynette was recently announced. She was introduced into society in 1936.

From Texas to Ohio

Charles M. (Rep.) Reppert, Jr. '34 has moved from Texas to Columbus, Ohio, where he is resident salesman with the Floor Division of the Armstrong Cork Co. His mailing address in Columbus is 2544 Bryden Road; and at this writing we hope he sees the Buckeyes return home October 27 with a defeat in their pockets from the Big Red.

Rev. F. H. Luckey, '82, One Of Oldest Alumni, Passes

After a career which included the stage, business and the ministry, the Rev. *Dr. Frank R. Luckey* '82, one of the chapter's oldest alumni, died at the age of 81 on October 9 at his home in New Haven, Conn. He retired several years ago from a pastorate of 30 years.

His church was the Humphrey Street Congregational in New Haven where he was noted for having attracted the largest young people's group of any church in New Haven. He leaves a widow and one son, Charles P. Luckey, Yale '23, vice president of the New York Trust Company.