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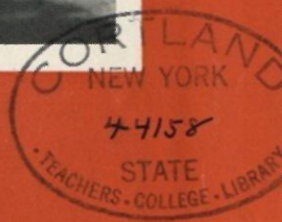
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Cortland State Teachers College Proposed Physical Education And Health Building

Detailed plans and specifications for a Health and Physical Education Building at Cortland State Teachers College have been completed and approved by the New York State Postwar Public Works Planning Commission. The size of the proposed structure is 240 feet long by 230 feet wide, having a first floor area of approximately 53,000 square feet. This compares with the first floor area of the present building of 44,000 square feet. This latter space is devoted to both physical education and general education work, whereas only Health and Physical Education curriculums will be conducted in the new building.

The Health and Physical Education Building is the major part of the building program scheduled by the Planning Commission for Cortland. On the basis of 1940 figures, the building will cost an estimated \$714,950.

The Legislature to date has appropriated a total of \$703,500 from Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's postwar reconstruction fund toward the total estimated cost of \$1,139,850 for the entire building program at Cortland.

To be located 60 feet south of the existing structure and 275 feet west of Graham Avenue, the Health and Physical Education Building will necessitate removal of the five tennis courts now in back of the water tanks. The main entrance will face Graham Avenue. There are to be three side entrances along the north facade of the building, facing the existing structure, as well as two side entrances on the south side.

Limitations of the available site

area, access to it from the playing fields, the location of the present building and of Graham Avenue determined the confines of the project. These limiting factors dictated a square type of structure, constructed around the central feature of Gymnasiums and Swimming Pool. To permit ample daylighting of the Gymnasiums on two sides and to conserve light for classrooms on the south facade of the existing building, an essentially one-story building with main activities centered on the first floor was considered most feasible. The topography of the site permitted development of a partial basement area along the north side for sub-activities and of a second floor area along the east side. This latter area provides space for several classrooms and brings the building into scale with adjoining structures.

The exterior of the new structure is to be of the Georgian period, with red brick walls and limestone trim. This will harmonize with the proposed Library, plans for which are nearing completion, and the Student Union and Dormitory building across Graham Avenue, both of which are to be of similar exterior design. The main entrance of the Physical Education and Health Building is patterned after the entrance to a Colonel Tayloe's residence, located in Virginia and known as "Mount Airy". This mansion was constructed about 1800, and after the War of 1812, during which the British burned the White House, President James Madison occupied it for some time. In February, 1815, the Treaty of Ghent between the United

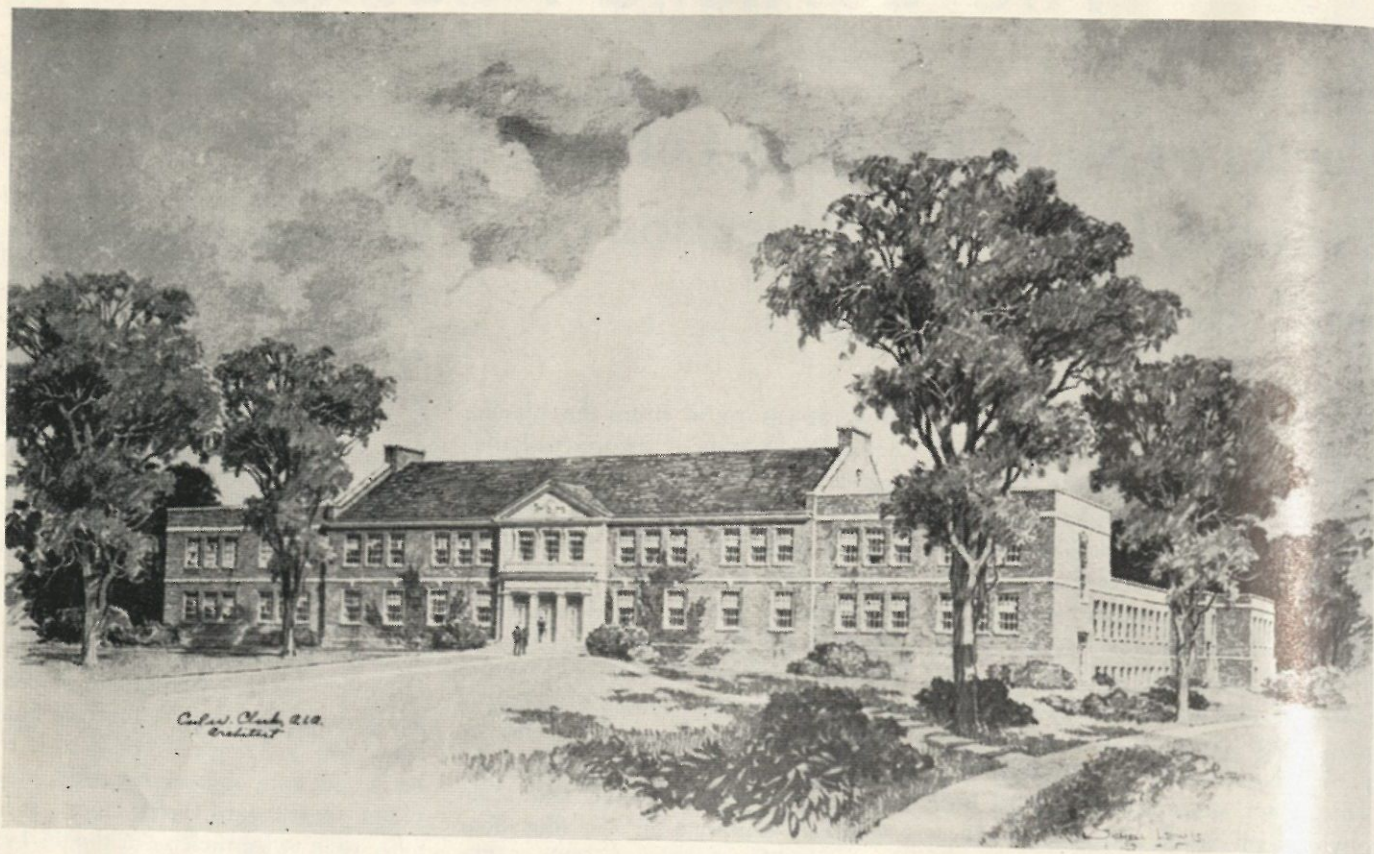
States and Great Britain was signed there.

As mentioned before, the principal facilities are located on the first floor. Here will be found the swimming pool and gymnasium, the Activities Rooms for both men and women, Corrective Rooms, a Visual Education Room, and Administrative Offices. The Basement will be devoted to Team and Visitors' Locker Rooms, two squash courts, and utility rooms. Besides the class rooms on the second floor will be a Laboratory and a Health Room.

In designing the swimming pool, care was taken to insure that the most modern features were incorporated in the plan. Several specialists in pool design were consulted before the final drawings were made. The pool is to be 75 feet long and 36 feet wide, providing six standard racing lanes. It is more than twice the size of the pool in the existing building. Water depth varies from four and one-half feet at the shallow end to a maximum of 11 feet. A one meter and 3 meter board are provided, as well as an underwater observation window and underwater lighting. The swimming pool room will have fixed bleacher seats for three hundred spectators. An Equipment Room is located adjacent to and below the pool room.

The proposed Gymnasiums are of sufficient area to provide one collegiate size basketball court 45 feet by 90 feet and, when divided by sound-proof electric sliding doors, two standard size gymnasium floors. The total floor area of 12,000 square feet (120 feet by 100 feet) can be compared with a total gymnasium floor area in the existing building of 5,300 square feet. Folding bleachers seating about six hundred persons are specified for the gymnasiums. Adjacent to the gym floor will be two apparatus storage rooms and two equipment storage rooms.

The Visual Education Room, also located on the first floor, will be used



Proposed Health and Physical Education Building

to show films on health and physical education training work, for demonstrations, group meetings, etc. The Corrective Rooms are subdivided into special and group areas.

Although plans and specifications are fully completed for this building, actual construction will depend on several factors: (a) the shortage of critical building materials and of construction labor must ease, (b) today's high building costs must settle to more reasonable figures (building costs now are 50% to 60% over 1940 costs), (c) the Veterans' Housing Program must be substantially completed, and competition with industrial demands must be avoided.

The architect for the project is Carl W. Clark, A.I.A., of Cortland, whose office has also prepared the plans for the proposed Library. Design of the project was under the supervision of the Postwar Planning Commission. Plans and specifications were completed in the fall of 1945.

In addition to the Health and Physical Education Building, and the \$225,000 Library (for which the appropriation has not yet been voted), a new residence for the president and a new central heating plant are also scheduled for construction. Mr. Clark is preparing plans for the residence, and the State Architect's office the plans for the heating plant.

Selective Admissions For Phys Ed Applicants

After a lapse, occasioned by conditions of the war years, Cortland State Teachers College is again conducting a competitive program of selective admissions in its Physical Education department. The present regrettable paucity of General Education applicants forestalls a similar program for its applicants.

The Physical Education program has been broadened in its scope and has been made more objective and pointed in its outline. This year it is being conducted in conjunction with the Doctorate dissertation of Roger W. Bancroft, a present member of the Education staff at the college.

To date, approximately 300 men and women have come to Cortland to participate in the day-long, 10 hour testing and interview program. There will be at least one more session for applicants, probably the last week-end in May.

The admissions program is divided into three parts,—the pencil-and-paper tests, tests of physical educability and ability, and medical and personal interviews. The first category consists of the Minnesota Personality Scale, the Kuder Preference Record, the Cooperative English Test and the A.C.E. Psychological College Freshman Test.

The physical tests include The Phys-

cal Fitness and Strength Index, the Johnson-Metheny Test of motor educability, the Burpee agility test and the Jump and Reach test. Also, the applicants are given an orthopedic screening.

Each applicant is given an eye, ear, nose, throat and heart screening by the college physician, in addition to the complete diagnosis done by his local physician. He is interviewed by at least one member of the college faculty, at which time he is rated on the general impressions which he makes.

The data from these tests, together with his Regent's average, his age, height, weight, personal data inventory and principal's and coach's rating, are placed on a profile sheet. These profiles are then analyzed by the Selections Committee who determine his comparative merit.

For those who are admitted, these profiles will furnish the background for an orientation and counseling program during their college years. Also, the results of this admissions program will be studied in connection with the entire educational development and success of the student while in college. If present plans mature, a follow-up study of the in-service growth and success of these applicants will be made in a continuous attempt to determine which admission factors should be measured in the selective program at Cortland State.

(Editor's Note: The above item is considered important in view of the fact that, when the applicants have been selected there will have been some 500 considered applications, with only 250 to be admitted, in the Physical Education Course. To date, there have been only about 60 applicants for the General Education Course, with room for 100 admissions. Our Alumni can do a real service to the college in promoting more decided interest in the field of General Education teaching, especially when the present occupied ranks of the Physical Education field are considered. Why not advise any prospective students for Cortland State to consider the General Education course?)

Health Education Institute

On Saturday, May 11, a Health Education Institute was held at the college; it was sponsored by the Division of Health and Physical Education at Cortland State. Cooperating were the Southern Zone of the N.Y.S. A.H.-P.E.R., the Health and Physical Education Division of the State Education Department, the Division of Secondary Education of the State Education Department, the Division of Health Education of the State Health Department, Ithaca College, the School of Education of Cornell University, the Dept. of Athletics and Physical Education of Syracuse University and the Department of Health of Cortland County.

The entire day was planned for discussing of problems, with between twenty and thirty Resource Consultants available, and on the program for the more formal discussions. Included in these consultants were Prof. Mabel E. Rugen of the University of Michigan and Charles C. Wilson, M.D., Professor of Health and Physical Education at Teachers College, Columbia University. From the State Education Department, there were present Ellis H. Champlin, Warren W. Knox, Florence C. O'Neill and Mary B. Rapaport.

Some of the problems discussed were: Methods and Materials of Health Education in the High School; Interpretation of Certification Requirements for Health Education Teachers; Organizing a Complete Health Education Program in the High School; Administration of the Regents' Ruling for Health Teaching; and Materials in Health Education.

Summer School Course In Aviation

A new course in aviation is offered to those attending summer school at Cortland this summer; the course will be one of six planned throughout the U. S., and will include both theoretical and practical experience for the students who enroll. It is to be a seminar

course, giving six credit hours, and named Aviation Education. It is a presentation of content, teaching methods and flight techniques applicable to general aviation education in the public schools on the secondary level, and throughout the course emphasis will be placed on the impact of aviation on present-day living.

Students who elect this course for the summer session should expect to devote full time to it, and no student should elect the course who is not genuinely interested in aviation education. However, it is not necessary to have had previous flying experience.

As an integral part of the course, each student will be expected to take eight hours of flight instruction, included in which will be the use of such modern devices as mock-ups, wind tunnels, the Link trainer, weather station signals and other training aids.

Instructor of the course will be Lloyd L. Kelly, a graduate of Albany State Teachers College, who entered the service in 1941 as a teacher of aeronautics, and later of instrument flying. He was a member of the A.A.F. Standardization Board of Washington, D.C. in the department of directional and experimentation flying techniques. He was located at Bryan, Texas, and completed four and a half years in the service.

Who's Who On The Faculty

MARGARET T. HALLIGAN joined the faculty at Cortland State in September, 1929, following teaching experience at Fredonia Normal School and in Concord, New Hampshire.

Miss Halligan is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College where she held several scholarships. For three years following her graduation she held the position of secretary to the Dean of the Yale School of Medicine, and was enrolled in graduate courses at Yale University. This experience was succeeded by a year of graduate study in the department of History and Political Sciences of Columbia

University, from which she received the degree of M.A.

In 1937 Miss Halligan studied archæology and cultural relations under the guidance of a John Hopkins University professor. The studies led to metropolitan cities, remote wildernesses, and desert areas of Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Transjordan, Turkey, Greece, the islands of the Aegean, and Italy. Such experiences as having sailed the Nile, crossed the Suez Canal, gazed on the Great Pyramids, explored the magnificent ruins of Luxor and Karnak, seen the glorious remains of Baalbek, studied the Res Gestal of Ankara and the splendor of the mosques of Constantinople, Damascus and Cairo, stood on the unrivalled Acropolis at Athens, trekked to Olympia, Delphi and Corinth, and beheld the "glory of Greece and the grandeur of Rome",—all these represent a few of the multitudinous educational advantages of the study. Miss Halligan has a fine collection of beautiful and varied artifacts which are valuable in understanding the culture of peoples of the Near East and of the Mediterranean world.

In further pursuance of her historical studies, Miss Halligan was abroad from June, 1938 to September, 1939. She was enrolled for the academic year at the Graduate Institute of Higher International Studies, affiliated with the University of Geneva and endowed by the Rockefeller Foundation. The Institute has an international faculty and a cosmopolitan student body, and to have been among them at the time of the Munich Pact, the invasion of Czechoslovakia, the seizure of Albania and other tragic events on the road to war was an incomparable experience for one studying international affairs.

Studies at Geneva required intensive research on documents of the International Labor Office. She also attended sessions of the I.L.O. and the League of Nations, seeing at first hand internationally known celebrities.

Travel in the British Isles, France, Italy, Germany, Hungary and Yugoslavia offered opportunities for obser-

vation of political, social and economic conditions in the democratic and totalitarian countries.

Two summers in France, living with a French family and studying at the Sorbonne, resulted in the maintaining of contacts with many European friends, and she has been actively interested in European Relief organizations, particularly the American Friends of France.

Locally, Miss Halligan has contributed to the Cortland County Hospital a minimum of one hundred fifty hours a year during the war years, serving as Volunteer Nurses' Aide. In evening classes she also trained a group of twenty college students as nurses aides, each of whom gave eighty hours of service to the local hospital. She has also spoken on numerous occasions to Cortland County organizations on topics of current and historical interest.

During the academic year 1946-1947, Miss Halligan will be on sabbatical leave, engaged in further study of international affairs.

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NEWELL W. SAWYER, head of the Department of English, is a native of the state of New Hampshire. Up through high school, he lived in Washington, D. C. and received an A.B. from Dickinson College, where he was fortunate enough to win prizes in Latin, English and other subjects. After receiving an A.M. the next year from the University of Pennsylvania, he "took a plunge" in a piece of appleland in the central part of the state of Washington. Perhaps the urge to teach was in his blood stream; at any rate, he found himself soon in an English classroom, until World War I took him into Navy transport duty back and forth across the Atlantic.

After that it was back to teaching in administrative positions in elementary schools in Washington and Oregon, and then as the English Department head in the high school in Boise, Idaho. Then, as the years went by, there were positions as English Department heads in Oklahoma and Ohio, and after that it was four years of graduate study at

the University of Pennsylvania with the help of a university fellowship, resulting in the Ph. D. degree. His thesis resulted in a book on a phase of English comedy in the nineteenth century. In addition, occasional articles have appeared in professional journals.

Dr. Sawyer is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, social college fraternity; Pi Kappa Delta, forensic fraternity; and Phi Beta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi, honorary fraternities.

Since 1931, he has been head of the English Department here at Cortland, both in the Normal School and the Teachers College. During these years he has taught all sorts of classes and got to know, as friends, lots of students—the best that a teacher could ever want out of life. He has enjoyed no end his association with students over the years in the publications of the college—*The Hilltop Press* (formerly *Co-No*) published weekly, and the *Didascalion*, the year-book of life at the college, put out annually by the Senior Class.

Sustaining Members

At the annual meeting of the Alumni Association last June, it was voted to inaugurate the system of Sustaining Memberships, in an endeavor to put the Alumni Association on a more secure financial basis. These Memberships include those alumni who (1) contribute a gift of \$10 a year for ten years, or (2) a gift of \$80 in cash. To date we have received the following:

Paid-up Gift Memberships:

Mabel F. Wickwire

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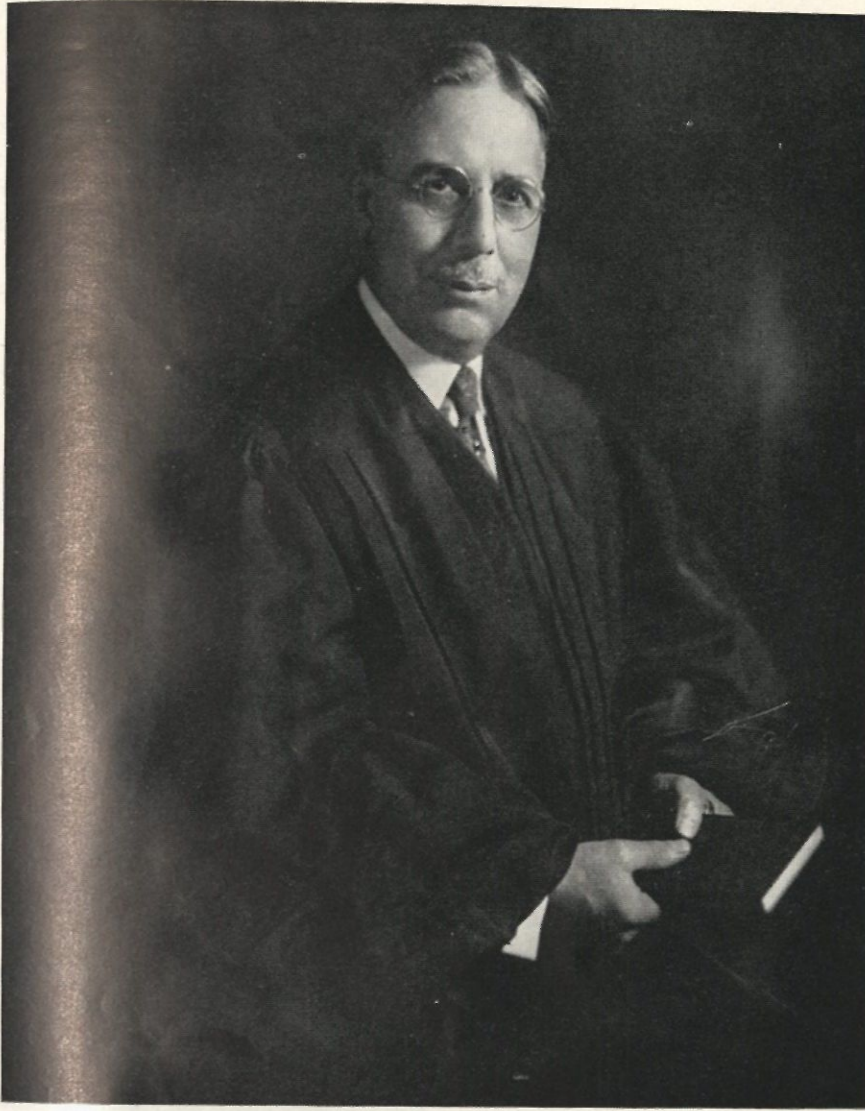
Mary E. Conway Shea

Frank Place

Grace PerLee Howe

Mary Otis VerNooy.

Eileen M. Winchell



Hon. Rowland L. Davis

he married and raised his family on a farm about two miles from McLean, his wife being a resident of a farm about a mile distant, where her family had settled when they came to McLean from Connecticut in 1831.

Judge Davis was born in the village of Dryden on July 10, 1871. When he was four, the family moved to a farm near McLean. He attended District School during the year; at the age of twelve he was kept out of school summers to work on the farm, but attended the District School winters until he was sixteen, when it appeared that his formal education was about to be ended. His mother, however, earnestly desired that one of her three sons should be a graduate of the Normal School at Cortland. So, when her young son Rowland was nineteen, she persuaded him to come to Cortland and take the entrance examination in September, 1890. He dusted off some of his old school books, did some intensive studying evenings and at odd times after work, took the entrance examinations, and was admitted to the D Elementary Class, as it was then known. During that autumn, he drove back and forth each day from the farm to the school, helping with the farm work nights, mornings, and Saturdays. About December, when snow came and the traveling was difficult, his parents engaged board for him in town for the remainder of the school year. This was the extent of the financial aid from his parents; thenceforth, he was "on his own."

In the fall of '91 he was employed as a teacher of the District School a mile from his home at the attractive salary of \$6.25 per week! And, at the beginning of the February 1892 term, he came back to the Normal. He again taught at the same District School, this time with a raise in salary to \$7.50 per week, and went back to the Normal again in February of 1893. That year he was chosen as a contestant in the place of one who had dropped out, in the Y.M.D.C. oratorical contest in June, and was the winner of the gold medal.

fought at Lexington and Concord. Capt. Isaac Davis was the first man to fall, being killed at Concord Bridge in 1775.

John Lane Davis, Sr., great-grandfather of Judge Davis, at the age of 20 fought with the Vermont troops at Saratoga in 1777, and was present at the surrender of Burgoyne. His father, Lucius Davis, was First Lieutenant of Company C, 76th N. Y. Volunteers (the Cortland Regiment) and was in command of the first company of Infantry on the field at Gettysburg, which really opened that battle.

Grandfather John Lane Davis, Jr. came from Rockingham, Vermont to McLean, N. Y. on foot in 1823. There

Our Honorary President

(Editor's Note: In order that all the alumni may better know our honorary president whose term expires this June, we are presenting a short biographical sketch of Hon. Rowland L. Davis in this issue. Judge Davis has achieved noteworthy distinction in his field, and "The Cortland Alumni" is proud to include this sketch in its permanent records.)

The early forebears of Judge Rowland L. Davis came to this country in 1634 from Kent, England, and settled near Concord, Mass. At the time of the American Revolution, three of the Davis family were Captains of the "Minute Men" of local towns and

His parents had, by this time, moved to Cortland, so he lived at home, with a reduction in expenses. In February, 1894, while still in the Normal, he learned of a vacancy as principal in the Chenango Forks Graded School; he applied, and was chosen as principal of the four-graded school at the (to him) munificent salary of \$600 per year. By June of 1895, he had accumulated sufficient savings so that he gave up the position and returned to the Normal, from which he was graduated in the Academic Course in June, 1896. His average in all studies, by the way, was 96.5, so that gave him a place on the Commencement program as a student speaker.

During his years at the Normal he had played on two Normal baseball teams, but finally gave up all sports to devote his full time to the much interrupted studies.

His mind had turned to the profession of the Law. He had had a nominal clerkship in a law office while still a student in the Normal, and in the fall of '96 he entered the Law School at Cornell University. It was a two-year course at the time, but he made it in one year and took his LL.B. degree in June, 1897. That same June he took the State Bar examination, was passed, and was admitted to the bar on July 6, 1897.

That same summer, Mr. Davis began his practice in Cortland as a partner in the firm of Bronson and Davis. After five years, he opened an office of his own, and shortly thereafter, took as a partner CLAYTON R. LUSK '45, who had just been graduated from Cornell in 1902; the firm's name was Davis and Lusk.

Shortly after leaving college, Mr. Davis became interested in politics with NATHAN L. MILLER '87; he was elected Police Justice of the Village of Cortland in March, 1899 and became the first City Judge when Cortland was incorporated as a city in 1900.

In August, 1915, he was appointed a Justice of the Supreme Court by Governor Whitman to fill a vacancy in the Sixth Judicial District; in Nov-

ember of that same year he was elected to the full term, and then re-elected in 1929 as the candidate of both parties. In January, 1921, Judge Davis was designated as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, Fourth Department, at Rochester, by Governor Miller for a five-year term. In November, 1926, Governor Smith sent him to the Appellate Division of the Third Department at Albany. In March, 1931, Governor Roosevelt, at the request of the Court, designated Judge Davis as Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Department, at Brooklyn.

After 18 years and two months of service on Appellate Courts in three departments, he voluntarily retired from those courts and returned home in March, 1939. For two years more he held trial terms in this district, permanently retiring on March 31, 1941.

During the period of his service on the Appellate Courts, he participated in the decisions of more than 12,000 cases, and opinions he has written are in 65 volumes of Appellate Division reports.

On June 15, 1905, he was married to Iva A. Yager, and they purchased a home in Cortland at 30 Madison street where they have resided ever since. Of their three children, two survive. One, Rowland L., Jr., is now General Attorney of the Lackawanna Railroad in New York City, and resides with his wife and two children at Mountain Lakes, New Jersey. The daughter, Harriett, after graduation from college, was secretary to the Principal of Cranbrook Academy for Girls near Detroit. She is now married to George O. Tamblyn, Jr., and they, with their two small sons, reside at Bronxville, N. Y.

Judge Davis says he claims only to be "a nice old man" at nearly 75 years of age; he is retired, practicing law only occasionally as counsel for younger men, and retaining an active interest in the old farm and the home which has been in the family for so many years.

Alumni Organization

Graduates of Cortland who are now living in or near Elmira, N. Y. have perfected an Alumnae Organization during the past year, and the officers of the association are as follows:

President—Miss Wilhelmina Gerard '09

Vice-president—Mrs. Arthur Gamper (Margaret McDonald '39).

Recording Secretary—Miss Edna Updyke '38.

Corresponding Secretary — Mrs. Charles M. Getman (Beatrice Halm '33).

Treasurer—Miss Susan Van Duzer '12.

On Sunday afternoon, April 7, 1946 this Alumnae Association held its first annual tea for high school seniors from Chemung County. It was held at the First Methodist Church, Elmira, and the high school girls who attended were those interested in entering Cortland State. Present from the College were Miss Nancy Mangam '47 and Miss Helen Middleton '48 who talked to the members and guests on the social activities at the college, and Mrs. Eileen Winchell who discussed the three courses, offered:—Physical Education, Health Education and General Education.

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Thomas King (Winifred A. Conner '11) and Mrs. Leo Kingsley (Susie Burdick '12) assisted by Miss Elna Hartman '36 and Miss Edna Updyke '38. Mrs. Charles Getman '33 was hostess and Miss Gerard '09, the president of the local Cortland unit, welcomed the members and the guests. The speakers were introduced by Mrs. Arthur Gamper, program chairman. The tea was under the direction of Mrs. Anne Malone '27, general chairman.

The Elmira Association of Cortland Alumnae now numbers fifty active members. All Cortland graduates of the vicinity are welcome to join.

Alpha Chapter Beta Phi Epsilon Fraternity

The organization of a fraternity at Cortland Normal was achieved when, in the early spring of 1927, twelve men enrolled in the physical education course decided to form a "physical education men's society" and initiate the spirit of brotherhood in an organization on the hill.

Their first meetings were held at their various Monroe Heights residences and later, in empty classrooms at the school. To overcome this obstacle, the men adopted their present Greek title and secured their chapter house at 14 James Street in the fall of 1927. Harold Youker was chosen as the first Beta president, and Mr. Moench took over the guiding reins as faculty adviser—a position he has held all during the nineteen-year history of the fraternity.

Present standards founded then, still limit membership to physical education students of the highest professional possibilities. The history and achievements of the fraternity are strongly connected with those of the college, for from the hundreds of men who became members of Beta through the years, scores of them have gained prominence in the scholastic, social, and athletic activities of the college.

The fraternity has instituted many functions which became part of the school calendar; among them the Beta cup, given to the outstanding senior for potential leadership by the vote of the male faculty; an annual Beta Frolics, the proceeds of which are turned over to the injury fund; and the annual Beta address directory.

World War II enveloped the campus and the fraternity to such an extent that in 1943 all members who were attending Cortland were called into the armed forces. The fraternity had to disband in flesh, but would not in

spirit, for Beta members continued to meet in all theatres of the war and under all kinds of conditions during the four years that followed.

During the war, for the sake of upkeep and finance, the house was rented out to students attending the college. With the cessation of hostilities, returning Beta veterans, some as far back as of the class of '42, did not linger long in assuming their fraternal obligations but set out immediately to reorganize. Fifteen past members, headed by Simon Molnar, a past president, re-instituted the fraternity by electing new officers, pledging fifty new members, and reaffirming and carrying out past policies.

Beta Phi Epsilon alumni can feel confident that the fraternity is continuing to move forward in the preservation of past ideals and professional attitudes. So far this year, a school party has been sponsored by the frat, the Beta frolics resumed very successfully, and plans for the annual dinner dance drawn up.

However, a deep-felt loss has marred the ranks of the brotherhood forever. Brother Robert P. Federico '43 of Buffalo was listed as missing in action while performing his duty as a navy pilot in the Pacific, while Brother Carl Alexander '44 of Manlius was killed in action during air operations in the E.T.O. Portraits of both men are to be framed and placed in a prominent position in the house chapter room as a remembrance of them and of their sacrifice.

Ago and Clio Go National

May 3, 4 and 5 were busy and never-to-be-forgotten days for the former Agos and Clios of Cortland State because it was during those days when the two sororities were formally and

impressively received into the two National organizations of Sigma Sigma Sigma and Alpha Sigma Alpha, respectively.

Early this spring the first steps were taken toward affiliating with the National sororities, when each of the two clubs petitioned the society of its choice, after thorough preliminary investigation and discussion of the issues and aims involved. Acceptance was finally received by each, and thence the plans for formal installation ceremonies were completed. Officers of each of the National organizations were here for the weekend, officiating in the installations and being honor guests at the two banquets which were held simultaneously but separately at Hotel Cortland on Saturday evening.

This is another innovation in the life at Cortland State, and the two new National sororities will be observed with interest by the other sororities on campus. It is always a topic for discussion when an old, established sorority decides to go national; the present members of both feel that it is in line with modern college life, that the links with sorority sisters all over the United States are very valuable, and the purposes and breadth of vision of the national organizations set high standards of worth-while attainment.

Sigma Sigma Sigma (better known as Tri-Sig) was the first of its kind to be chartered as a national organization. Founded in 1898 at Farmingville, Va. State Teachers College, it now has 39 chapters with a total membership of over 10,000, and is the largest national of six Association of Education sororities.

Alpha Sigma Alpha was founded in 1901, and is the co-founder of Association of Education sororities. It now has 28 chapters, stretching across the country from California to New York.

The former Agonians are now the Beta Zeta Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma; the former Clionians are now the Gamma Clio chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha.

Weddings And Engagements

MARY MARGARET GRIFFITHS '40, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Griffiths, 7 Hopson St., Utica, and T/Sgt. Ivan F. Halsted, son of Mrs. Minnie Halsted of Hammondsport, N. Y. were married February 9, 1946. The wedding took place at 9 A. M. in Our Lady of Lourdes Church with the Rev. James F. Collins officiating. Miss Marion Louise Darling and Robert Leroy Griffiths attended the couple, and the ushers were Charles Eugene Halsted and Sgt. John E. Griffiths.

The bride wore a gown of white faille. Her finger-tip veil was caught to a tiara of seed pearls and she carried a prayer-book with a shower bouquet of gardenias and stephanotis. Miss Darling wore a pink chiffon gown with a lattice-work coronet to match, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses and iris.

The bride is a former member of the Kemble School faculty, and the bridegroom has recently received his discharge from the armed forces (*see Visitors to the Alumni Office, this issue*) and he is associated with the Bond Funeral Home at Hammondsport. Mr. and Mrs. Halsted are making their home in Hammondsport.

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From the New York Times of February 17, 1946: "Mrs. Robert Lee Albright of 30 Davis Ave., White Plains, N. Y. announces the engagement of her daughter Miss MURIEL H. ALBRIGHT (Cortland '40) First Lieutenant, Army Medical Corps, to former Major Don Lee Lanford of Blanket, Texas. Lieut. Albright is a graduate of Cortland State Teachers College and was formerly girls' physical education director in Cornwall, N. Y., High School. Mrs. John Cliff Walker of Buffalo is her twin sister. Mr. Lanford, recently returned from the Pacific, is a graduate of Texas A. and M., and is an agronomist with the Department of Agriculture.

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The wedding of CAROLYN STAFFORD '43, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. C.

Stafford of Cortland R. D. 2 to William Robert Gilbaugh, USN, of Winlock, Washington took place on March 23, 1946 in the Parliament Building, Victoria, Canada. The bride had been a teacher of sixth grade at Canandaigua, N. Y., and recently has held the position of timekeeper at the Boeing Aircraft Plant, Seattle, Wash. Mr. Gilbaugh enlisted in the Navy following his high school graduation; he is the holder of several decorations earned in combat against the Japs. At present he is stationed at Brenterton, Wash. on the battleship *Maryland*.

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Married: on Friday, February 1, 1946 in the Congregational Church, Schenectady, Miss RUTH O'DEA '43, of Nichols, N. Y. and Arthur P. Allen of Homer, N. Y. The bride taught for two years after her graduation from Cortland State, and recently has been in the employ of the General Electric Co. in Schenectady.

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Married: ROBERTA BAKER '45 of Cortland, N. Y., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker, and Fred G. Harris of Cortland, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Harris of Lexington, N. C. in the Marble Collegiate Church, New York City. The double ring ceremony took place at 10:30 on Saturday morning, April 6, 1946, and was performed by Dr. Joseph Bowers Palmer.

The maid of honor was VIRGINIA GANTERT '44 of Verona, N. Y., and Miss Connie Harris, niece of the bridegroom, was flower girl. Mr. Roy Harris of Cortland was best man for his brother, and the ushers were Harry Sturm of New York City and Richard Harris of Cortland.

The bride was escorted and given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown with a lace fitted bodice over satin with net yoke, round neckline and fitted sleeves. The full satin skirt over hoops was caught over the left ankle with a large bow of the satin material. The finger-tip veil of tulle was caught with orange blossoms on either side of the coronet cap. Her round Colonial bouquet of white sweet peas was centered with a white orchid,

and was lace-edged, with white streamers.

The maid of honor wore a pink lace net gown similar in style to that of the bride; she had a pink net bonnet and carried a colonial bouquet of pink roses and blue delphinium. The flower girl's frock was of blue net, made similar to the maid of honor's gown, and she carried a small colonial bouquet of roses and delphinium.

A wedding breakfast was held at Hotel Roosevelt immediately following the ceremony, with 30 guests present. A three-tiered wedding cake decorated with birds and flowered designs centered the bride's table.

For her wedding trip, the bride chose a magenta-colored suit with matching flowered hat, and she wore a white orchid corsage.

Mrs. Harris took special work in Columbia summer session last year, and she has been teaching in Cortland. Mr. Harris is a graduate of the University of North Carolina, and is associated with Harris Dry Cleaners.

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A romance that began in India during World War II, reached its culmination Sunday afternoon, March 17, 1946, at the Methodist Church in Cooperstown, N. Y. when Miss AGNES ISABELLE MICHAELS '36, former Delmar teacher and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard N. Michaels of Cooperstown, and Edward Sardis Jay of Utica were united in marriage by the pastor, the Rev. Frederick W. Connell.

The church decorations were baskets of pussywillows, pink snapdragons, white carnations and yellow tulips. Two brass candlesticks on the altar were brought home by the bride upon her return from India and presented to the church.

Mrs. D. O. Walrath, the church organist, played the traditional marches and musical interludes, and accompanied Mr. Harold L. Satten, who sang the baritone solos, "At Dawning" and "O Promise Me."

The only attendant of the bride was her sister, Mrs. R. H. Mumford of Cooperstown; William G. Jay of Batavia was his brother's best man.

Ushers were Howard B. Michaels, Paul B. Michaels, Kenneth Van Denburg and Roland H. Mumford, all of Cooperstown.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a wedding gown of white marquisette with fingertip veil of green tulle, and she carried a nosegay of white and yellow roses tied with ribbon streamers.

At the reception which followed at the bride's home for members of the family and out-of-town guests, daffodils and white carnations, and a three-tiered wedding cake were features of the buffet refreshment table.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay went to New York City on their wedding trip. The bridegroom is professor of English and dramatics at the Manlius Military School, Manlius, N. Y.

Mrs. Jay did graduate work after completing her course at Cortland, studying at both the University of Buffalo and New York University. She was Physical Education instructor for eight years in public schools at North Tonawanda and Delmar prior to joining the American Red Cross.

Late in December she returned from India where she had served for 18 months in the China-Burma-India theater as Red Cross program supervisor, and later as club director.

Mr. Jay was a staff sergeant of the Army Engineering Corps in Chabua, Assab, in the China-Burma-India theater for over a year before his honorable discharge. He received his education at Utica Free Academy, the University of Alabama and Syracuse University, and taught in the University of Alabama and in the North Syracuse High School before entering military service.

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The marriage of Merrill Archard and BETTY LINDSAY '44 will take place on June 22nd in Binghamton, Betty's home town. Merrill, a graduate of this year's class at C.S.T.C., is a veteran who participated in the Italian campaign and was wounded twice. He is a Beta; Betty was a member of Nu Sigma Chi. They expect to make their home in Yonkers after their marriage.

Engaged: MARY ARSLANIAN, January '46, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Arslanian of Syracuse, N. Y. and Raffi Dabanoff of Rochester, son of Mrs. S. H. Dabanian. Mary finished her course at Cortland State this January; Mr. Dabanoff has a B.S. degree from the College of Applied Science, Syracuse University, and is employed by the General Motors Plant in Rochester. The wedding is planned for June.

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Jean Merwin '42

The engagement of Miss JEAN MERWIN '42, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Merwin of Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., to Mr. Kenneth Burgess has been announced. Jean was a prominent vocalist, while in Cortland; since her graduation she has studied in New York with Edgar Fowlston and with Joseph Regreas. She taught at Scarborough for three years, and this year has been at Briarcliff Junior College, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. She has sung with New York soloists in several oratorios in New Jersey and in Westchester County, and is soprano soloist at the Church of the Ascension, Fifth Ave. and Tenth St., New York City.

Married: On Saturday, July 28, 1945, IRENE PEPPARD '40 and Corporal William John Rohel at the Post Chapel, Marine Base, Quantico, Virginia, by Lt. William R. O'Neil, chaplain.

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Married: February 2, 1946, in the First Baptist Church, Cortland, by the Rev. C. W. Vandenberg, CAROL F. GEDNEY '45 and James Cowan, Jr. of Cortland. The double ring ceremony was performed against a background of palms and baskets of mixed flowers. Mrs. Harriette Gedney Colgan of Auburn was matron of honor, and Ben Allen of Cortland was best man. Carol has been teaching in the Julius Rogers School in Binghamton since her graduation last June. The bridegroom was discharged from the army last January after having served 29 months, 23 of which were spent overseas. He took part in the fighting on New Guinea, Biak and Mindanao as a member of the 41st Division, and was in Japan for five months.

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FLORENCE LOMERY '40, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lomery of Oneida was married to William W. Rice of Wallingford, Conn., son of Mrs. John Rice and the late Mayor Rice of Oneida, in St. Patrick's Church, Oneida on April 23, 1946.

The bride was the first girl from her home town to enter the WACs. After her enlistment in August, 1942, she was sent to officers' candidate school at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. Following two months of intensive training there, she was commissioned a second lieutenant. She was stationed at Fort Devens, Mass., Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and Fort Bliss, Texas. In December, 1944, she was sent overseas.

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SHIRLEY DOUST '45 will be married June 8, in Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse, N. Y. to Ensign Robert P. Wood, U.S.N.R. Miss Grace Kleinsang, a sophomore at Cortland this year, is to be bridesmaid.

(The following article was written by Mitchell Kraft, an undergraduate student now at the college, and is published in this issue just as he presented it. The editor would appreciate your reactions and comments.)

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The Effect of Teacher Salary on the Future

by Mitchell Kraft

The teaching profession is in a rut, and has been and will be in the future if we, as educators, don't do something about it. It is true we have progressed, and we can be proud that we have made as much progress as we have, considering all the obstacles we have had to meet. There is one area of our profession which hasn't progressed, however,—that of teacher salary. The fact that this area has not progressed, and is still very unattractive to our youth entering college today, is the stumbling block we must overcome if education is to ever reach its just and deserved status as the most important profession of man.

As one trains to become a teacher, there are many theories and philosophies of education advanced by different instructors. There is good teaching and poor teaching, just as there is good philosophy and poor philosophy. Should this poor teaching and poor philosophy be allowed, (and I mean allowed) in a teacher training institution which trains teachers who in turn teach our children, who are our future investment in world-wide security? We must treat this God-given investment of ours with maximum care if we are to reap the harvest of world-wide peace and security that only our youth can give us. Through better education, I believe, we can give our youth the qualities needed to reach this highest objective of man. We can grow into this better education by attracting the best possible teacher material. If our teachers in training throughout the nation are to be as well prepared as possible for their teaching jobs, they must receive the most expert instruction.

The need for expertness in the teaching profession is inestimable. The degree of expertness of our teachers is the greatest influence on our youth and our future. The youth of today is better educated than was the youth a century ago, but how proud should we be of this fact? The question I ask you is not how well educated are they, but rather how well educated are they in relation to how well they *could* be educated. I fear that we have not approached perfection in present-day education. Perfection, of course, is something to be strived for and never actually obtained; but the closer we come to it, the more efficient we are in reaching our objectives. Our *main* objective is not to instill knowledge but rather to prepare our neophytes for an efficient, meaningful and secure life in a highly complex society.

The primary factor in reaching this objective is the making of the teaching profession as attractive as possible, and by so doing, draw the "cream of our youth" into the profession, rather than the present-day mixture of cream, milk, and sour milk.

The most definite attraction of any profession is the salary it offers. It is true that there are some who are so imbued with a *sincere* desire to help others that the salary factor is given secondary consideration, but these people are few and far between. And even if they *are* so imbued, it does not necessarily follow that they have the intellect and other qualities that are necessary fundamentals for most efficient teachers. Do you think, for instance, that the medical schools throughout the nation would be turning away so many thousands of applicants if the profession they represent offered a salary minimum as low as that of the teaching profession? The answer then seems to be to raise the salary minimum of the teachers.

I would suggest a minimum salary of \$2,500 annually. How in the world, you say, would you obtain state legislation to pass such a law? If I had all the political "pull" of a leading politician, still I wouldn't attempt it; but I *would* work with all my heart and

vigor to create a Department of Education in Washington which would supervise national education, and would set up the machinery necessary to make our most meaningful profession a profession of dignity, selectivity and attractiveness. Perhaps such a Department is not the immediate answer; but there must be an answer, and whatever it is, we can not afford to pass it by as we have in the past.

Why must we build such elaborate materialistic pathways for our people to travel, when the most important pathway—that of living successfully with others — is so decrepit and so nearly falling from its trembling foundation? Only when our profession has reached such a status as suggested above, and can then attract the best teachers, will we be able to offer optimum educational opportunity, and by so doing, lead our future generations to security and world-wide peace.

Schenectady Alumni

In Schenectady, the Cortland State Teachers' College alumni held a reception for high school seniors on Tuesday evening, March 26, at the GE Woman's Club. Dr. Donnal V. Smith, president of the college, was present and showed colored slides of campus activities, and also outlined the plans of the school for future expansion. Refreshments were served.

The committee included Mrs. B. H. Knickerbocker, RUTH ADELLE HAMILTON Mather '32, IONE LOTTRIDGE '44, BEATRICE HOGAN Learnan '08, MARION ROBINSON Pulling '29, JANE JONES Leisring '22, Mrs. Betty Dorn, LENA TITUS Thorne '16, LOIS BAUER '36, and Mrs. T. F. Mackey.

Among those attending were EILEEN MCCARTHY '39, KATHERINE STURDY '37, FRANCES FISH '42, C. H. HUNTLEY '02, LOIS COLLIER '40, Mrs. C. R. Stewart, Mrs. H. F. Wainwright, THELMA SEARS Lumgair '36, MILDRED PICARD '32, KATHERINE FASULA '30, ELEANOR FISH '32, RUTH KEARNEY '29, Miss Mary Poutre, Miss Doris Carpenter, CAROL COLWAY '44, and Mrs. J. W. Livermore.

Visitors to the Alumni Office

One of the lovely spring days in March, SAM HESSNEY '41 and his wife called at the office while at college renewing acquaintances with faculty and returned G-I's. In November 1941, Sam entered the Cadet Training Program of the Army Air Corps Reserve and was discharged from this in February, 1942. In September of that year he married Miss Elizabeth Stewart, a Pennsylvania girl, and they lived in Ithaca. Sam was drafted in June of 1943, and did special Training Instruction for the Army Air Force. Most of his time was spent at Fort Myers and Miami, Florida, although he was at Spokane, Wash.; Kearns, Utah and Houston Field in San Francisco, also. Temporarily, he was (in March) located at Geneva following his discharge from active service.

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Ivan Halsted, who left C.S.T.C. in 1939 to enlist, and his wife, MARY GRIFFITHS Halsted '40 who were married early this year, stopped in and Ivan told a bit about his experiences since his enlistment in the fall of 1939. Early in 1940 he went to the Philippines; he was Technical Sergeant in the Air Force. In April of 1942, he was taken prisoner on Bataan; he was kept in Manila for about two years, and part of this time was in the Bilibid Prison, the famous old Spanish camp. Then in July of 1944 he was transferred to Japan and was in the prison at Nagoya until the end of the war. He and his fellow prisoners were released on September 4, 1945 and were taken by the Japanese on board the U.S. Naval Hospital ship *Rescue*; they went to Yokohama, to the Atsugi Air Strip, and then by plane to Okinawa, and down to Manila once again. A week later they left by transport for San Francisco. Ivan has recently

spent a month and a half at Rhoads General Hospital for a physical check-up;—considering the fact that while in prison he lost about ninety pounds (much of which has been regained), Ivan looks fine; he and Mary plan to live at Hammondsport, N. Y.

Mary taught at Ava, N. Y. following her graduation; in 1941 she went to Julius Rogers School in Binghamton and in the fall of 1943 to Delmar, N.Y. where she remained until 1945.

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Captain FREDERICK A. FELTZ '32 and Mrs. Feltz came down from Syracuse one day this spring; they had been "house-hunting" there, as Capt. Feltz plans to attend Syracuse University for his Master's degree. He related that he had taught at Unadilla, N. Y., following his graduation; on May 26, 1942, he entered the Air Corps. He spent a year and a half at Miami Beach, teaching in the non-commissioned officers' school; his work was in the physical training field of basic training. He received his commission in December, 1943, and was sent to Truax Field, Madison, Wisconsin. Here he was in Physical Training for a short time, and then was transferred to Military Intelligence for the rest of his time in service.

Mrs. Feltz supplied the information that Capt. Feltz had received the Army Command Ribbon, a citation from the War Department presented to him by General Hornsby for work in Military Intelligence.

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Former Lieutenant (j.g.) KENNETH MARLATT '37 visited the Alumni Office on the day following his discharge from the service; he was in Cortland on his way to his home in Bath, N. Y. Kenneth was indoctrinated in September, 1944 at Hollywood Beach, Florida; he next went to gunnery school at Shelton, Virginia, and then was attached to the S.S. *Abraham Lincoln* as armed guard officer. He spent much time in the Mediterranean and was detached from this service in July, 1945. After a period at the Personal Service School at Lexington, Va., he

was sent to Sampson as Athletic Officer and then served as mess officer there for four months, until his discharge. Kenneth is married and has two children; he has a partnership in the baking business in Bath and runs the "Betty Kay" Bake Shop there.

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Fred L. Harding, Jr., 2nd Lieutenant in the Marines, visited the office in April while he was at the college looking up some of his old friends. Fred enlisted in the Reserves late in '42, along with Dave Grant, and Bob and Roger Meade, after they had finished their first year of college work. In July of 1943, they were at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., with the V-12 program. They all spent a year there, and Roger stayed another four months. The other three went to Paris Island for boot training; they left Paris Island together and went to Camp LeJeune, N. Carolina.

Then Bob went to Quantico for his commission. Dave and Fred were at Quantico together, were commissioned and went to Camp Pendleton, Ocean-side, Calif. Still unseparated, they went through classes there, and in July, 1945, they went to Pearl Harbor, although on different ships. Dave next went to Maui with a Service Battalion, while Fred went to a reclamation and salvage school. Later, Fred relieved a 1st Lieutenant who was on point leave; he had 125 men under him, working there.

Bob Meade came to Pearl Harbor on his way out to China with the Sixth Division. Fred was in Pearl Harbor the entire time. He was enroute to Philadelphia, and expected his discharge soon.

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Staff Sergeant George Candrea spent a day at the college last month, and visited the Office for a short time. George was in the enlisted reserve program while at Cortland State, and was called out in April of 1943. He went first to Camp Upton for induction, then for basic training to Camp Pickett in Virginia, where he was in the

medical department. Next he was assigned to Laboratory Technician's training at Lawson General Hospital in Georgia. Along about this time, he was married to ESTHER BRICCETTI '43, whom he had met while in school here at Cortland State.

From Georgia, he went to the 14th General Medical Laboratory, San Antonio, Texas. He was hospitalized for six months while there, and was unable to rejoin his unit, in Hawaii at this time. He was transferred to the 18th General Dispensary Team and disembarked at Calcutta. V-E Day had come and gone by this time, and V-J Day was just around the corner. So, in just four days, George's unit was disbanded.

He was sent to New Delhi, India, and volunteered to take over a subsistence warehouse that was supplying officers' messes and clubs in the American Delhi Military Area Command. He was thus occupied for four months, and then his duties were enlarged to include administrative n.c.o. of the Colonels and Generals Officers Club. There followed six or seven very pleasant months, with some time to cultivate contacts and to travel. He became associated with a Nationalist newspaper, *The Hindustan Times*, the paper of Nehru's party, and this presented a great opportunity to meet writers, artists, philosophers and foreign diplomats as well as the ranking men of the country.

During December of 1945, George traveled with a correspondent of *The Hindustan Times* to attend the first session of the All-India Writers Conference, called The Conference of P E N (playwrights, essayists and novelists).

In March, 1946 he left for home, landing in Seattle, Washington; his discharge was effected early in April. George is now at Sayville, L. Is., and is planning to come back to Cortland State next fall to finish his interrupted college work. He has an opportunity for a Fellowship at Lucknow University, made possible through Dr. Radhakumud Mookerjea, India's outstanding historian, with whom George

became associated at Jaipur and whose home he visited in Calcutta.

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During the Easter holiday, GEORGE A. FOSTER '27 of Yonkers and his young son Bobbie were callers; George is Physical Education Instructor at the Gorton Senior High School in Yonkers.

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Another graduate who called during the holiday was MARIAN CORNETT Egelin 1917 of Sea Girt, N. J. who was in town enroute to Oneida. She visited the college with her husband and daughter Dorothy, who is now a junior in high school, and is thinking of attending her mother's Alma Mater along about 1947.

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ALBERT COMANDO, a graduate of the Academic course at Cortland Normal in 1922, had a most interesting story to tell of his experiences as a Red Cross Field Director in Europe. He started his service in December, 1944, and had two assignments in this country before going overseas, one at Fort Belvoir, Va., and one at Camp Atterbury, Indiana. Upon receiving his orders to report to Washington, D.C., he was appointed group leader for the 130 American Red Cross workers going overseas at that time. They sailed on the *Queen Mary* with 15,000 troops.

Mr. Comando's first foreign assignment was in the Field Director's office on the world-famous Rainbow Corner, London. Next, he was put in charge of the London District of the American Red Cross.

After V-E Day, he became Field Director of the 406th Infantry Regiment of the 102nd Division at Hof, Germany, which is on the Russian-Czech border. During his overseas stay, he visited England, Scotland, France, Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Switzerland.

His work consisted mainly of the handling of personal problems of the soldiers; he also worked with thousands of prisoners of war, as they were released following the advancement of the American troops into Germany.

One highlight of his stay in Europe

was the chance to observe personally the 21 criminals at the Nuremburg trials.

Just before returning to the United States, Mr. Comando was one of seven of the American Red Cross Directors selected to plan the permanent Red Cross organization for post-war Germany to coincide with the permanent military occupation. When asked about personalities, Mr. Comando mentioned seeing the King and Queen of England very often, and also that he found two who stood out in his memory,—the late George Arliss, and Lady Cavendish (sister of Fred Astaire) who was a great favorite in London with the G-I's.

He gave high praise to the "ordinary" servicemen, saying that he found them fine, clean, decent, genuine Americans, for the most part, and felt that in such hands as theirs, this country will be secure.

In Memoriam

1880

ANNIE WATERS (Mrs. Edward A. McMillin): on Thursday, January 31, 1946, at her home in North Adams, Mass. Following her marriage in 1881, she lived for a year in Amsterdam, N. Y., and then moved to North Adams, Mass., where her husband was founder and proprietor of the McMillin Box Co. Quoting from *The Boston Herald*: "She was a past regent of the Fort Massachusetts Chapter, D.A.R., and State chaplain in 1917. She was chairman of the local Red Cross branch at the time of the 1927 flood, when that organization did much to aid those made homeless by that catastrophe. She had served as president of the Monday club, and at various times held office in the organizations of the Congregational church. She was deeply interested in the work of the North Adams Child Welfare association, and of the hospital, which she served actively for many years as a trustee."

In addition to her civic interests, Mrs. McMillin had genuine literary ability; several of her works have been published in well known magazines.

She is survived by three daughters, six grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren; also, her younger sister, Miss HELEN I. WATERS '92, of Syracuse.

1891

CALVIN BABCOCK: Died October 16, 1943.

1896

MARY A. WHEELER (Mrs. Raymond Scott): Died, September, 1945. Interment was at Nutley, N. J.

1901

LEILA M. BARTHOLOMEW: Died, July 1, 1940.

1902

MARY HOLMES (Mrs. Frederick Walton) of Gary, Indiana; on January 22, 1946, as a result of an automobile accident, in which the car she was driving was struck by a New York Central train. Mrs. Walton had been a home visitor in the attendance department of the Gary school system. She was born in Cortland, and went to Gary as the bride of Rev. Frederick Walton in 1908. The late Dr. Walton was the founder of the First Presbyterian church in Gary. Mrs. Walton was very active in church affairs; she was a charter member of the Ladies' Aid Society, and was the founder of Tri-Mu organization, 37 years ago. She is survived by two brothers. Interment was in Oak Hill cemetery, Gary, Indiana.

1907

LILLIAN CARTY, a native of Cortland who taught in Schenectady for approximately 35 years, died suddenly in that city in February, 1946. Burial was in Cortland. Miss Carty was a Life Member of the Alumni Association.

1909

JESSIE BARTHOLOMEW: Died, August 16, 1943.

1926

EVELYN A. FRENCH; after a long illness; in Daleville, Penn. She taught in Silver Creek, N. Y., in Homer, N. Y., and in Gloversville, N. Y. Later, she went to Daleville, where she operated a poultry farm with a friend, Miss

Margaret Stanley, for six years. Last spring, she returned to Cortland and accepted a position as Girl Reserve Secretary at the Y.W.C.A. Last November illness forced her to resign. Besides her mother, Mrs. J. R. French, she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Helen F. Lyman of Cortland and Mrs. LONNELLE FRENCH Bell '23 of Geneva. Interment was in the Cortland Rural Cemetery.

1931

BEATRICE LAMB MILLER (Mrs. Fred Miller) died March 10, 1946. Mrs. Miller was married while she was at school in Cortland; she taught at North Norwich for about 12 years, and was a native of South Edmeston, N. Y. Burial was in the Lamb's Corners Cemetery, South Edmeston.

Class Notes**1890**

CORA E. WOOD of Newton Mass. writes: "As a member of the class of eighteen-ninety,— I can only say that my life as a teacher has been years of service spent in the training of subnormal or backward pupils.

"In the autumn following graduation, a position was accepted in the Walden Union School and Academy at Walden, N. Y. where I remained for three years. Then, to the Seguin School for Mentally Deficient Children, a private school then located in New York City, where I had six years of experience in the training of all types of pupils who deviate from the normal. In November of 1900, I was appointed teacher of the first special class in the city of Boston, where I remained until my retirement in 1930. Incidentally that special work in Boston has grown from the original pioneering class that opened the way, to the present number of one hundred and twenty-six classes scattered throughout the city.

"During my years of service, four summers have been spent abroad, and one in the West, one winter on leave of absence in Florida and a part of one sabbatical year in southern France.

A goodly number of summers have been passed in the different camps maintained by the Appalachian Mountain Club of which I have long been an interested member. I retired at the age of sixty-five on account of ill-health."

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ADELIA TUTTLE (Mrs. John M. Crumb) writes from DeRuyter, N.Y.: "I was born on a farm. After teaching eight terms in the school district where I was born, I entered Cortland Normal. My first year after graduating, I taught in Georgetown, N. Y., then twelve years in Morrisville, N. Y., six years in Yonkers, and, after marriage, the last twelve years in Endicott, making a total of about thirty-five years. I retired in 1930, not being able to finish my thirty-five years on account of the illness and death of my husband.

"About three years ago, I fell in my own home and fractured my right hip. After returning from the hospital, I came to our local sanitarium, where I have been since my fall. I hope to return to my own home this spring, as I can walk without aid of any kind."

1896**FIFTIETH REUNION YEAR**

Class Secretary:

Mrs. Evelyn Thomson Melvin
41 Magnolia Ave.
Floral Park, N. Y.

From A. FRANKLIN ROSS: "—A few memorabilia which may have some interest in view of this coming fiftieth anniversary of the graduates of 1896. It was my lot to graduate first in the 'Scientific Course' and in the following June in the Classical Course. The difference between the two courses consisted in the fact that three years of Latin was required for the latter together with two years of Greek or two years for a modern language. By the end of the year I had completed the needed language requirement. In the January '96 class it fell to my lot to choose the class motto. Evidently Virgil and Prof. Banta must have made an impression on me for I chose 'They Can Because They Think They Can.'

"I am enclosing a copy of the Program of the Fifteenth Public Debate of the Young Men's Debating Club. All institutions of higher learning of fifty years ago had counterparts of the Debating Club. You may notice that on the program Arland Weeks and Frank Gleason opposed Rowland Davis and Bert Landpher.

"Upon my entering Brown University, it was a fine asset for me that I was a Normal School graduate. Directly, I was appointed as an evening-school teacher with FRANK O. JONES '92 (also a Cortland graduate) as principal. The next year I was made principal of a common school; and the next year after that I was put in charge of the advanced school which was vacated by ANDREW S. THOMSON '89, a Cortland graduate. Here are the names of teachers who were Cortland graduates and were likewise students at Brown University:

Archibald Freeman
Arthur D. Call
Frank Oscar Jones
Rufus E. Corlew
Charles B. Duggan
Ernest K. Tanner
Charles E. Bryant
Andrew S. Thomson
A. Franklin Ross
Howard Tracy

1897

Mrs. E. C. Burke (HATTIE M. EDWARDS) wrote in last winter from Nyack, N. Y.: "Graduating in February, 1897, I left immediately for New Canaan, Conn. to fill a vacancy there. I enjoyed my work very much there, but due to the fact that I was offered a much more lucrative position in the larger schools at Nyack-on-the-Hudson, I decided to make the change the following fall. I taught here for eight years, doing special departmental work in two intermediate grades. I then gave up teaching, married, and turned my efforts toward making a home.

"We had two sons, one taken from us at birth, and the second (Charles) recently discharged from the service, after serving three years in the Army Air Forces. At present he has re-

sumed his Social Security Managership at Kingston, N. Y. His wife is the former KATHERINE GEISE '36.

"Ten years ago, I had the misfortune to lose my husband, but I am still living in the home he gave to me as a wedding present.

"Until recently, when ill-health intervened, I spent a great deal of time doing church, hospital, Red Cross and other civic work. I shall always look back to my two years in Cortland Normal as one of the very bright spots in my life. I'm sure its influence and success will continue for many, many years to come."

1898

From Castle Creek, N. Y., RHODA A. YOUNG (Mrs. H. B. Councilman) writes in: "After graduating in the last class to complete the course in the middle of the year, I taught 35 years in the public schools of the state, mostly in Binghamton; the last twelve were in an executive capacity, four of them as vice-principal and eight of them as principal of an elementary school. Since retiring, I have been able to follow my hobbies of needle-work and gardening along with housekeeping,—all of which bring both health and happiness."

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"For sixteen years after leaving school", writes ALICE E. SERGEANT (Mrs. Charles N. Moore), New Castle, Penn., "I taught in the public schools of New Rochelle, N. Y. Then, I married a minister and lived in a Presbyterian Manse until my husband's death in 1941. My home now is here in New Castle; my teaching has continued through the years in Sunday-school and other Church organizations. All praise to my Alma Mater for her influence upon my life."

1899

Mrs. Frank Wood (PEARL HALL) had just returned from a trip to Washington, D.C. where she had been visiting a married daughter when she wrote in to the Alumni Office; she remarks that she is just an "average" alumnus, but her sense of loyalty to the class of '99 will not permit her to

"let us down". She taught for 13 years, mostly in the Greater New York system. She took up Spanish and short-hand in New York night school, and later attended night lectures and forums conducted by such men as H.V. Kaltenborn and Stanley High. She was married in 1905 to Benjamin Wood of New York City, and a son was born to them in 1911 and a daughter in 1913. "Each are college graduates, and I have kept step with them all the way and have had the time of my life. I have two grandsons, whom (I hope) will never have to become soldiers. I have belonged to the League of Women Voters, and have done much hospital sewing—through my church."

1901

From the State Home for Boys, Jamesburg, N. J., GERTRUDE SALEM (Mrs. Bartlett) wrote in, some time ago, to tell about herself. She said: "An Alumni magazine for Cortland State Teachers College is an excellent idea. It is always interesting to hear any news whatever from former classmates.

"At present, we are living at the State Home for Boys here in Jamesburg, N. J. where Mr. Bartlett is Director of Scouting, having held this position for sixteen years. Whenever called upon, I do substitute teaching in the school here.

"Following graduation, I taught kindergarten in Binghamton for seven years, and then married. In 1911 we went to California to live and returned in 1915 to again take up teaching in Binghamton at the Susquehanna Valley Home, a home for indigent children. The work here was so interesting, I remained there for thirteen years and gave it up only when my husband accepted his present position.

"I have taken some extension work in history and child psychology, under Dr. Barnes of the University of Pennsylvania, and also work in speech re-education under Dr. Hellman of Syracuse University.

"After World War II began, I devoted two days a week to Red Cross

work, making clothing, knitting sweaters, caps, helmets and scarfs and making surgical dressings.

"Since our chapter closed down recently, my spare time is given over to instructing young boys in knitting afghans for wounded soldiers in hospitals. These boys are always very enthusiastic in working for soldiers and do remarkably well.

"My hobbies are so varied,—perhaps you would say that keeping busy is my hobby! I love to knit, crochet, make my own Christmas cards, write to as many service men as I can, cultivate African violets, care for my pet Boston terrier, Patsy, and keep the cookie jar filled for my husband!

"Best wishes for your success."

1902

A note from HELEN G. WAGNER is quoted in part: "When I read of the death of JAMES BEHA '01, I brought out the picture of our Sixth Latin class, and—there we all were, just as we looked forty-five years ago!

"At that time, we received our high school work in the Normal. Four years of intensive work in three, as the last year was given to methods, child psychology and practice teaching.

"If we had successfully escaped all the pitfalls and encounters of the other Latins and had arrived unchallenged at Sixth, there was great rejoicing and celebrating. We had a class president and ended up with a banquet, which some of the jealous ones in the lower classes tried to prevent.

"James Beha was our class president and the place chosen for the grand finale was Preble. Somewhere, either on the way or before starting, our president was kidnapped! But some of the other male members of the class immediately located him and brought him back. Whereupon, some bright member composed this as our victory song:

Beha, Beha, Beha

They carried him away.

*We got a hack, and brought him
back,*

And now he's here to stay!

"Our motto was *Forsan et haec, mem-*

inisse juva bit. That is about all the Latin that I remember, and that may not be an exact quotation!"

1903

MARGUERITE MORSE was graduated in the Kindergarten-Primary Course, and that fall following her graduation, she went to Ithaca to teach under Superintendent Boynton and she established the first Kindergarten in Ithaca. She remained there for five years, and then went to Rochester as critic in the City Normal School. Later she went to the Elwanger and Barry School where she remained until her retirement. While she was located in Rochester she took some extension work at the University of Rochester. Following her retirement in 1938, she travelled quite a bit, as long as conditions permitted, going to Florida several times, and to California and to Mexico. She is now living in her own home at "Triangle", Whitney Point, N. Y. where she is active in civic and church circles.

1906

Quoting from a letter from HARRIETTE STOUT (Mrs. Herbert M. Hawkins): "After my graduation in January, 1907, I taught steadily until my marriage in 1915 to Herbert M. Hawkins, a merchant of Southold, L. Is. I have resided in Southold ever since. My teaching was done in the towns of Southold, Pearl River, Red Creek, Port Chester and Schoharie. Most of the time I taught grade work. In Schoharie I was in charge of the Teachers Training Class, and I also taught a sewing course.

"Since my marriage I have lived a quiet but busy life helping my husband in his store and doing lots of church work. Also, I was for years a trustee of the Public Library, and also a member of the E. L. J. Hospital Auxiliary. For a long time, I was the local correspondent to the *County Review*; also, I am a member of the Red Cross sewing group. In short, I have tried to be a good citizen and a useful member of this oldest town on Long Island. I haven't earned any degrees, but did take a summer course in agri-

culture at Syracuse University, and a course in Junior Methods of Sunday-school teaching. My pet hobby is bird study.

"I have one son, Ralph, who trained as an electrical engineer at Cornell University. He is married and has one son, Ralph Jr., resides in Everett, Mass. and has a responsible position with the National Radio Co. of Malden, Mass. He was one of 25 key men out of 4,000 whom the firm asked to have deferred; he directed the work of his group in the war contracts which were turned out for the army, navy and coast guard."

1911

A note from ALBERT BARTHOLOMEW from Summit, N. J., says that he often sees FRANCIS KANE '11 who is with the Veterans Administration at Lyons, N. J. and who has been in great demand as a speaker and counselor with veterans' affairs. Albert also sees BILL HALLORAN '00, a principal in Elizabeth, N. J., every now and then at meetings.

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From a recent issue of *The Boston Herald* and bearing the title "Gracious Ladies": "Mrs. Harold P. Gurney, the able president of the Brookline (Mass.) Woman's Club, was imbued early with the importance of women taking an active interest in community affairs, for her mother was a leader in the suffrage movement in New York State. The former IRENE FINEHOUT (Cortland '11), Mrs. Gurney was born in Canajoharie, N. Y., attended Elmira College and was graduated from Cortland State Normal. Specializing in primary school teaching, she taught in Batavia and Mt. Vernon, N. Y. until her marriage. Now a resident of Brookline, she belongs to the Chromatic Club, the Brookline circle of the Florence Crittenton League, and the Boston Branch of the Parliamentary Law Club, and is also a member of the Elmira College Alumnae Club.

"During the war she was active in Red Cross work, and with her husband sent records and a radio to the Lovell General Hospital. For recreation she enjoys playing classical music

on the piano; she is also a collector of antiques. Her summers are usually spent travelling, and favorite vacation spots have been Cape Cod, Canada, and California."

1912

Graduates of 1912 will read with interest this extract from a letter from MABELLE SEELY (Mrs. Ray W. Smith) "—A little about myself since leaving Cortland. I taught in Canastota for two years, and in Syracuse for eight years, when I resigned to be married. My husband has a B.S. degree from Syracuse University, and his M.A. from Columbia. For the next ten years, I taught for my husband, as he was Supervising Principal or Superintendent. Five of those years I was Supervisor of a Teacher-Training Class at Clinton, N. Y. During that time, I was Editor-in-Chief of the Teachers' Training Class Bulletin,—a state-wide publication. The rest of the time I did grade work.

"We have been in Buffalo for ten years, my husband being principal of the largest elementary school here,—a school of sixteen-hundred youngsters. When there was a shortage of teachers, I went back to teaching and have taught here for the last three and a half years;—at present am teaching first grade. We have no children,—but keeping house, entertaining a bit and doing my teaching keep me busy.

"You asked about news of others. Of course you remember IDA LOFTUS. She left teaching and went into clerical work. Her husband was James Woods of Syracuse who died last year, leaving her with two young daughters. MAE SHIELE, ill for several years with arthritis, is now in a nursing home at 1464 S. State St., Syracuse. MARY TIERNEY '13 is teaching in Syracuse; I talk with her at Christmas time each year, at least.

"By the way, my husband has an alumnus of Cortland as one of his gym teachers, FRANK BARON '26. He is married and has two of the sweetest and brightest little girls you could find anywhere."

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FROM MARY STEELE (Mrs. A. C. Atkinson): "A quick scan of the years since 1912 would show that nine of them found me teaching in New Jersey. Then I headed west but got no further than Cleveland Heights, Ohio. I taught here a year, and then was married. A husband and three youngsters have kept the succeeding years busy ones. The oldest daughter is now married to an army doctor and makes her home in Pittsburgh; the second one is a senior at Michigan State College, while the third is in her last year of Junior High School. The senior is majoring in Child Development and she plans to go into Nursery School work. I am proud, too, to have a niece this year at Cortland State. "I've never been able to give up teaching, and have remained through the years on the substitutes list, helping out when it was possible for me to do so. Our grand city offers wide possibilities for further study along many lines. We are in the front rank of adult educational work; we are proud of our Cleveland Orchestra, our Art Museum and our fine colleges and schools of many types.

"For me, the war years added civic responsibilities—block plan leadership, bond drives and Red Cross activities. The peace years will bring other opportunities to be fulfilled.

"As always, my best and warmest wishes go out to the old school and all she has meant through these many years. Here's hoping to see many of the 1912-ers for the thirty-fifth reunion in 1947!"

1913

MINNIE DECKER (Mrs. Minette Partrick): "Taught two years in the kindergarten in Yonkers. Married, and while the children were growing up, participated in the civic, church and club life of Ridgewood, N. J.,—as president or chairman, usually; why, I never quite understood. In 1940, I accepted the position as Chairman of Volunteer Services, organizing all nine of those services; this I continued until 1944. After my husband's death I had an opportunity to try business (some-

thing new again); so here I am with a career in my lap, as I am Managing Director for the Eve Brueser Studios, Inc. of New York City. We are designers and manufacturers for Interior and Window Displays of the top-ranking Department Stores in the country, and have showrooms in Chicago and Los Angeles.

"I have two sons who left college in 1941 to serve their country. Ensign Arthur D. Partrick served overseas twenty-one months, sailing with the first contingent of Sea Bees to leave these shores. He received his discharge last October and then went to Lehigh University to complete his senior year. Captain Richard H. Partrick, my younger son, served nineteen months in the southwest Pacific as Flight Commander of a squadron of 'The Crusaders.' He is making the Army Air Arm his career, and is located in Santa Monica, Calif."

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A letter from MARY ETHEL WISE from Syracuse: "Upon graduation in 1913, I began teaching in the first grade at Lawrence, L. Is. After two years there, I was assigned a position in Syracuse and have been here since. For years I taught grades 2nd through 7th. I studied at Syracuse University and received my B.S. degree in Education in 1928. While I was at Cortland I did a great deal of accompanying on the piano and in all my teaching, I had assignments in music work. In 1929 while teaching Social Science in the 7th grade, I was asked to reorganize the music instruction in Roosevelt Junior High which involved both choral and instrumental work. Wishing to acquire certification and a fit background, I spent one summer at Columbia, and four summers at New York University. Completing my music work at Crouse College and School of Education, Syracuse University, I received my M.S. in Education in 1933. Further study of the Boys' Unchanged Voice was done in New York City at a summer school with Father Finn, instructor. In 1940 I spent two weeks in the Christiansen Choral School, and in 1942 I did a

semester of choral work with Dr. Frederick Haywood. Besides studying piano, I enjoyed two years of organ study.

"At present my hobby is collecting antiques,—pattern glass, old lamps, furniture, etc. I maintain a home for my mother, and for two years have had a married sister and her baby living with me, while the husband and dad was in the service."

1915

Around holiday time last December, RUTH WATSON '15 (Mrs. Selah Harper) wrote in from Clyde, N. Y. to tell us that she had just received a map of Scotland from her oldest son, Dick, 21, who was then spending a month's furlough in Glasgow, Scotland and in England. He had been in the service since April, 1942. He had seen active service in France, not far from where his father had been in the fighting of the First World War when the Armistice was signed in 1918. The daughter in the family was graduated last year from Rochester Business School, and there is a younger son in school in Rochester.

1918

Following her graduation, the first position held by MABLE ADELLE BATES (Mrs. Milo Weaver) was in the grammar school at St. Johnsville, N. Y., where she spent five years. During her last year there she was married, and a local rule against the employing of married teachers forced her to leave. She secured a position in Little Falls in sixth grade work, with the last few years a departmental set-up from sixth through eighth grades. In 1934 she took summer school work at Syracuse University.

In 1935 she was asked by her superintendent to take the special class course at Oswego; since September, 1935, she has done special class teaching with a group of mentally handicapped, which has been very much enjoyed. An extension course from Syracuse in the spring semester of 1940 was followed by its sequel in the fall of 1940.

Leaving on July 3, 1940, she was a member of the New York State Teach-

ers Association tour; going via Glacier Park, the trip included the inside passage to Alaska, on into Whitehorse, the Yukon territory and home via the Canadian Rockies. Again in July, 1941, she toured New Mexico, the Grand Canyon, California and the Pacific coast, and came home via Mt. Rainier and the Yellowstone.

Mr. Weaver commutes daily to Herkimer from Little Falls; he is a plumber, connected with the Pelton Hardware Store. Mrs. Weaver says that, besides daily teaching and house-keeping, she found time to complete both standard and advanced First Aid courses, did some Red Cross knitting, and served eighty-five hours as an airplane spotter. She also donated 7 pints of blood to the blood bank. She is also interested in church work, being secretary of the woman's organization. Last summer she taught handcrafts at the Vacation Bible School. She says she does manage to keep busy, but never too busy to enjoy *The Cortland Alumni*; and she sends her very, very best regards to all former classmates.

1919

Now living in Corning, HELEN HOLLISTER (Mrs. Francis T. Lenane) taught for eight years following her graduation, one year in Gloversville and seven in Cortland. Then she was married, and was kept busy being a housekeeper. She is a member of both the women's clubs in Corning, and has served on various committees of them, recently being on the Welfare Committee of one and in the Music Department of the other. She says, "My big job is to be a good homemaker. If any of my classmates are in Corning or vicinity, I would be extremely happy to welcome them in my home."

1920

Class Secretary:
Mrs. DeAlton Smith
Broadfield Road
Manlius, N. Y.

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To the class of 1920, the fire which destroyed the old Cortland Normal in

1919 is a vivid memory. At reunion time last year for this class, ANNIE E. HANDLON sent in the following poem "not as poetry,—but rather as simple impressions in rhyme jotted down on the day of the Normal School fire."

THE BURNING OF CORTLAND NORMAL

The morning light was breaking,
And the cold, clear air was still;
The world was full of peace and
hopes
Of a new-born world—until
Another light was breaking forth
And a flame leapt high in air;
The cry of "Fire!" rang clear and
strong,
And terror this did bear.

The fire bells were ringing,
And a crowd rushed down the street.
The air gave forth the tang of smoke
And the sound of rushing feet.
A call: "The Normal School's
afire!"
Awoke us from our dreams;
The flames were leaping higher now
With fitful jets and gleams.

The firemen worked their hardest
The dear old place to save;
But each part went like tinder, dry,
In spite of their efforts brave.
As we looked at that roaring furnace
core
We thought of the day before
When we chattered and laughed and
ran through the halls,
And loitered outside the door.

In the flames are the hundreds of
memories
That we see as we see in our dreams;
Our beloved Alma Mater in ruins
We find, and a tear drop gleams.
We grieve for the dear old building
That withstood so many years,
And its fiftieth anniversary
Is filled with doubts and fears.

O dear old Cortland Normal,
We give thee a fond farewell;
And out of thy ashes shall come a
school

Where genius and hope shall dwell;
And many a yearning student then
Shall turn toward the future years
And gain from thy inspiration,
Satisfying careers.

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In *The Cortland Alumni* for February, 1945, Miss Handlon wrote most interestingly of her years since her graduation. To supplement that item, we quote from a more recent letter from her: "It was to follow an urge to do something special that I went to the Smoky Mountains of Tennessee to teach at Pittman Community Center, a Methodist school. For seven years I taught primary grades there, making home calls on horseback and walking miles up mountain trails to isolated cabins, where the climbing was so steep that I might just as well have been trying to scale the side of a house. Once I ran onto a still, but ducked back into some rhododendrons, fortunately without being seen. Those were the days, Prohibition days, when informers about stills were often 'bumped off' with a well-aimed shot.

"Part of the time, my work took me into a small community above the school, where I learned, from the mountain people, to like bear steak, squirrel, rabbit, ramps (wild onions), home-made sorghum molasses, and corn bread made from white southern corn meal. While in that place I was teacher, nurse, social worker, religious instructor and community counsellor. During a political-religious-family and moonshine feud, the schoolhouse was burned down. Standing over the burning embers of the building, I declared that we would hold school there on the creek if it had to be held out under the sky. While the new building was being erected, I was invited to teach in a little one-room Baptist church, and this was quite a concession as I was a Methodist! The pupils sat on hard plank pews, and for a blackboard I used wooden boards fastened together and painted black. Neither moonshiners, religious fanatics nor family squabblers put us out.

"As the children learned the three R's, a la Cortland Normal style, I

learned from them the best way to kill a rattlesnake, what herbs are good for ailments, and how to imitate the cardinal's call. It was a thrilling experience, and it gave me an insight into human nature as I interpreted the behavior of the mountain people in the light of their Early American background and customs.

"Now I am back in Solvay again. Looking back, I can see how two school fires have had a tremendous influence on my teaching life, especially the adventurous side."

1922

From RUTH STOW of Horseheads, N. Y.: "1922, received my diploma from Cortland State Normal School. 1922-1927, taught in Hendy Avenue School, Elmira. Had some extension courses at Elmira College. 1927-1929, studied at Lucy Webb Hayes National Training School (Methodist) in Washington, D. C. Graduated, 1929. 1929-1930, taught at Erie School, Olive Hill, Kentucky. 1930-1933, Deaconess work at Deaconess Home, Wilmington, Delaware. 1933-1937, at Mary Todd Gambrill Neighborhood House, Wilmington, Del. 1937, back to Horseheads to care for parents. Mother died in April, 1944. Father is now 83 years old."

1926

From DORIS M. WRIGHT: "I, too, think it is true that we are especially interested in news of our classmates and friends. I was graduated from the Normal in 1926, so you see it is all of 20 short years since that eventful day! My first position was in Utica, in 2nd grade; then kindergarten which was just what I desired.

"Then I came to Syracuse where I could continue study at the University and teach at the same time. Most of this teaching has been in 4th and 1st grades. In 1936 I received my B.S. degree, and now I am working toward my Masters. This fall I have a new position as Head Teacher of Merrick School in the city. So you see I have had quite a variety and feel that my Alma Mater, good old Cortland Normal, is responsible for a good foundation.

"Hobbies? Travel, when that was possible; to the west coast, the Canadian Rockies, Maine, New England, Cape Cod, etc. Also, I enjoy gardening and garden clubs. For bird study, the Audubon Nature Camp. Add to these a little writing, a little music, and my bit of war work; time is never heavy, for there are so many interesting things to do."

1927

From MADOLA E. WARNER: "Graduation from Cortland Normal in 1927; ten years teaching, mostly in eighth grade at Brighton District No. 1, Brighton, N. Y. In June 1938, received a B.S. degree from Albany State Teachers College; (had spent that year in Albany). In September, 1938, began my present position of grade teacher in Laurelton School at Irondequoit, N. Y., teaching mainly social studies. In June, 1943, I received my M.S. degree from Albany State, having completed requirements in August, 1942, majoring in Social Studies."

1928

Born: to HENRY M. BALDWIN and Mrs. Baldwin of Nanticoke, N. Y., on March 3, 1946, a daughter, Doris Marie.

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From Mrs. VERA BYRNES KELLEY: "After graduation, I taught at Homer Academy for ten years. Then I came to Utica with my husband (whom I had married in 1925). In 1940, we bought a new home in New Hartford, N. Y. Now we have a little girl four years old and a little boy not quite a year old. They are my hobbies!"

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IVAH JACKSON (Mrs. Kenneth Rothe) taught Phys. Ed. for five years, and then was a housewife, until Pearl Harbor. Her husband enlisted in the Navy, was in Trinidad for sixteen months, and then in the Pacific; he received his discharge last December. Ivah was Instructor at the Curtiss Wright Airplane Corporation, teaching such things as blue prints, rivets, and math. Last school year she was teaching in a rural school. The Rotheres have two children, Beverly Jo, 9 years old, and Charles, 7.

1929

LUCY MASTIN (Mrs. Eber Salley) was married in August following her graduation, and in September of that year began her teaching in Genoa High School, Genoa, N. Y. She taught for two years, and then took over her "most important job,—that of raising her family." There are four children in the family now,—Ernest, 14; Ralph, 11; Beverly, 7; and Richard, about 5. Mr. Salley operates a commercial hatchery at Mexico, N. Y., and Lucy helps him as bookkeeper, as well as being housekeeper. Her life, she says, has been a busy one, inasmuch as she has been very active in church work, the Home Bureau, and the Grange; she served for several years as a member of the Executive Committee of the Cayuga County Home Bureau and also as president of the northern district of the N. Y. State Home Bureau. In concluding her letter, she writes: "How often I think of the happy days at Cortland Normal, and feel that what I learned there has helped me to live a very full and happy life."

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MARION COOLEY Ellis, now the mother of three children, lives in Waterloo, N. Y.

1932

GORDON DUNNING was in Cortland this spring, calling on old friends. He was expecting to receive his discharge very soon, and planned to complete his work for his doctorate at Syracuse University in the science field. While a student at Cortland, he was active in the work of the C.M.T.C. and was well known as a champion in riflery. He taught at Newburgh, and while there became a member of the National Guard. When war started, he went into service early; was given the rank of Captain, and at the time of his visit here was a Lieutenant Colonel. He was with the Army of Occupation in Germany for some time, giving instruction in Guidance and Education.

1934

MARY KAMLER (Mrs. PAUL BRADT '34) tells us that, after graduating, she

taught in Moravia High School for two years. Then in August of 1936 she and Paul were married. Since then it has been summer school and extension work at Buffalo State, Syracuse University and Albany State for Paul; and for Mary it has been four children, Charles, David, Mary Lynne and the baby John Paul, "Whom I enjoy immensely. We have lived in Fayetteville, in East Syracuse, and now in Delmar where Paul is Vocational Guidance Director and Vice-Principal of Bethlehem Central High School. My children keep me occupied, but I still enjoy pre-school study group, church work and bridge club. HAROLD BROWN '36 is coach at Berne, not far from here. He is married and has two children, Diane, 3, and a baby boy."

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MARY CONTI (Mrs. Frank Spaulding) taught in Cobleskill for eight years and met her future husband there; they were married in 1942 at Windsor Lock, Conn. They then went to Colorado for six months; when he went overseas, Mary went back to her home in Endicott. Mr. Spaulding was discharged from the service last October and they came back to Cortland then; they now make their home here, and he is operating the Spaulding Photographic Studio.

1937

BORN: TO CHARLOTTE KREWS GRIMES and LAWRENCE GRIMES '38 of Rye, N.Y., a daughter and second child, Kathleen Ann; on April 30, 1946 at United Hospital. Their older child is Gary Sherman Grimes, aged three and a half. Larry is physical director at Rye Country Day School, Rye, N. Y.

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BORN: to Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Freeman (ALICE VAN DE BOGART) of Cincinnatus, N. Y. a son, Leslie Vann, on December 7, 1945.

1938

DOLORES DUNN (Mrs. DEANE K. FISH '38) wrote in about holiday time, last year, and her letter told us that, following graduation she taught in the

primary grades of the Vestal Central School. In 1940, she and Deane were married, and they have two children a boy and girl of three and four years. Needless to say, they are their parent's chief interest, and there is never a dull moment. Since 1942, they have lived in Sidney, N. Y. where Deane has been connected with the Production and Engineering Departments of the Scintilla Magneto Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation."

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DORA EVERTS (Mrs. Edgar Swart) has resigned from her teaching position at Fall Creek School, Ithaca, and will leave the first of June with her husband for Chicago, Ill., where they will make their home. Mr. Swart received his discharge from the Army Air Forces last December, and is to be associated with the San-Equip Co. in Chicago.

1939

NEIL MARVIN is living in Seneca Falls, N. Y., after having served in the Navy. He expects to go into the frozen food business with his father in Geneva, in the near future.

1940

Class Secretaries:

P. E.—Grace R. Bryant

C.E.—Emma Todd

Address for both:

233 Park Ave.

Williston Park, L. Is., N. Y.

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From *The Binghamton Press*: An overflow audience packed the Norwich High School auditorium Thursday night (March 7th, 1946) to participate in the 'Breakfast in Hollywood' program during which Miss GERTRUDE SHILLABEER of South New Berlin was honored and named as Chenango County's 'Good Neighbor.' Chosen by a committee of judges from a long list of nominations made by letter from residents in all parts of the county, Miss Shillabeer was recognized for her home, church, school and community contributions. Announcement of her selection was acclaimed by the en-

thusiastic audience. Miss Shillabeer was presented with an Eversharp pen and pencil set!"

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GEORGE ANDERSON was discharged from the Navy last January, and is teaching at Gorham, N. Y. He expects to work for his masters, next fall.

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M. LYON DELONG, following his discharge from the Army Air Forces, has been with American Airlines in New York City. He lives in Flushing, N. Y., with his wife and baby.

1941

FIFTH YEAR REUNION CLASS

Class Secretary

Mrs. Harry Kristiansen

6 Halbert St.

Cortland, N. Y.

JIM SNYDER and MARGUERITE HAVILAND ("Smudge") SNYDER called on friends in town lately, and they had with them their little daughter Sandra Lee, who is seven months old, and a decided red-head! Jim is going to attend Columbia Summer school, and is teaching at Orchard Park.

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WADE BOWSER, following his discharge from service, joined Solar Aircraft Co. of Des Moines and San Diego, as resident salesman for Chicago. Wade is married and has one son, Raymond T. Bowser, II, aged two and a half.

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WARD MERRILL was discharged last December and, since January 1, has been teaching at Hartwick College, Oneonta, for both summer and regular sessions. He and ELAINE WADSWORTH '43 were married at Coral Gables Florida, and have one son, Peter William, born July 8, 1945.

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DAVE PARSONS, who has been taking work at Columbia, will be teaching at Medina, N. Y. next year.

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Mrs. ALICE HOPKINS, a special General Course student, is now at Hayts', right across the road from Biggs Memorial Hospital, Ithaca; she says she has found "just the right

place", and is most enthusiastic over all the potentialities.

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FRANK RATHBONE and his wife, the former Mary Hull, had been seriously considering going out to Kansas to take up ranching, but, according to latest reports, Frank now plans to go to Columbia in June, for further study.

1942

From Nedrow, N. Y., SHIRLEY ROWLAND (Mrs. Stanley Stowe) writes: "I taught three years at Onondaga Hill School, in the third and fourth grades. Most of my extra-curricular time was spent working with the Junior Red Cross. September 3, 1943 I was married to Stanley Stowe. I resigned from school last June to take on a full time job which came along August 24th in the person of Douglas Rowland Stowe. At this point we are thoroughly convinced that parenthood is a pretty wonderful status."

1944

Class Secretary:

Dorothy Learn

77 Greenbush St.

Cortland, N. Y.

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From BETTY GRIFFITHS (Mrs. Frederick C. Fortran): "What have I been doing since graduation? This can be answered like this:—first, I married, second, I traveled; third, I'm teaching. On July 13 following graduation, I married Lt. Frederick J. Fortran; the ceremony took place in the Baptist Church in Binghamton. He had just returned from the Aleutians. My matron of honor was THELMA WATERS Billings '42, and my bridesmaids were MARTHA DAM '44 and SHIRLEY JOHNSON '44. On our wedding trip we went to Atlantic City and Philadelphia.

"Freddie returned to Camp Shelby, Miss., and shortly after I joined him there. For the rest of the summer I played the part of a typical army wife, living in one room and being transferred from Mississippi to Georgia, and then to South Carolina. In early September I returned home, and started teaching sixth grade in Candor. My first year of teaching went

'as well as could be expected.' In October, Freddie was sent overseas, so I didn't feel too bad about having to return to teaching. In April, I got a position in the Binghamton city system. And lucky for me that I did, for no sooner was school out than Freddie was shipped to Cambridge, Ohio, a patient in Fletcher General Hospital, a result of wounds received in Germany. I immediately joined him there, and we spent the remainder of the summer together.

"In September I returned home and started teaching third grade at the Benjamin Franklin Junior High School in Binghamton. I am enjoying my work very much. We are now looking forward to getting a home of our own."

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From the class secretary.

SYLVIA LARSON Sinclair is the proud mother of a very sweet baby girl, we hear. Sylvia Lee is the daughter's name.

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News of couples reunited again is always welcome to ears. MARTY GALLOWAY Fluke will teach in Syracuse next year to be near her husband, who will be attending Syracuse University.

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RUTH COONEY McKOWN plans to live in Unadilla with her husband, following his discharge from the service.

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JEAN WRIGHTER, ambitious girl that she is, not only will be teaching in Port Jervis next year, but also plans to take some courses at Columbia. VICKY SIMONS YOUNG will also be down near New York City, teaching.

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HELEN KURILECZ has signed again for another year at Endwell. CAROLYN COLWAY and IONE LOTTRIDGE plan to stay at Scotia,—with a substantial raise. (Congratulations, girls!) JOAN BEAN's job at Carmel is still open for her, and CALLIE SCHMER-SAL will remain at Vestal.

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We'd love to hear more from NAT-

ALIE E. NORTH about her home and her job in Bermuda.

Hats off to IRENE SILCO and her grand phys ed job at Oneonta Teachers College.

Now to wind up our column with a few items of interest which will help, we hope, to keep us in touch with the old gang at C.S.T.C.

We all hope our friend Joe Latino is none the worse for wear since his unpleasant experience awhile ago. He's been attending N.Y.U., taking a three-year course to get his master's degree in mathematics, but an emergency appendectomy interrupted the procedure. His wife, our SKIP WATHERSON, was kept pretty busy with a teaching job, an apartment and a sick husband; but by now we're sure things must be on an even keel again.

DORRIS ZUFELT was in to call the other day, accompanied by a very nice sailor from back home. Thanks for remembering us, "Zu".

Once again the irresistible force of the Big Town has drawn another from our ranks. This time it's "Ginny" Gantert. She has given up her job in Verona for next year to attend Columbia and work for her masters' in dance education. She also has been awarded a scholarship for the second time to attend the summer course at "The Pillow" under Ted Shawn's direction. We say that spells "going places" in modern dance.

MARCIA HOLLISTER Ray writes that the California weather *is* wonderful, and that she and her husband are looking forward to the fall when they will move into their own new home.

So the class of '44 reaches 'way out to the golden west, even. From Bermuda to Los Angeles is a long way, not to mention the distance south to Florida. All of which makes the *Cortland Alumni* magazine doubly appreciated when *you* let us know where you are and what you are doing so we can pass it along to the rest. That definitely means YOU, too.

Next year will be even better for the John Nostrants. ROSEMARY WILLIAMS Nostrant has given up her teach-

ing to be a full time housewife, and will go wherever John is. (Good luck in finding a place to live!)

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PHYLLIS SMITH Pidlypchak resigned her position when she married, and the lucky gal has been basking in the Florida sun this winter. Ray has been stationed down there but his orders for the future are still a Navy secret, at last report.

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BETTY DWYER is still teaching at Suffern.

1945

Class Secretary:

Dorothy Jorgensen
East Greenbush, N. Y.

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From the class letter:

BOBBY FEUCHT: "Going back to school to study Physical Therapy".

ELLIE KAPUSCIENSKI: "Like my job (Syracuse) immensely. Perhaps going to school in the fall."

PAT RYAN: "I am teaching 4th grade and have 31 children. There are two other Cortland grads here, GINNY GANTERT '44 and DOT STAS '42.

PATTY BRANDIS: "Like my job, but don't want to get in a rut. Might get my Masters'."

PENNY NOLLER: "Going to N.Y.U. on Saturdays. Had fun playing hockey on the Long Island team last fall. Often meet several of those from our class."

Ward Kimball: "Returned to C.S.T.C. in February to finish up. Married to Alice Newton and we have a daughter Pamela."

BETH BREEN WOODCOCK: "I'm not going back to school; Dick is. Naturally I like my job,—housekeeping." (Beth has a little girl, born last July.)

GINNY R. HALLENBECK: "Leo is back in the U.S.A. and our plans are indefinite except that Leo is going back to school and I will go with him."

LUCILLE CARY (Mrs. Howard Miller): "I was married last October to Howard Miller, whom I met while teaching in Lafayette. He's now working in Syracuse while I am teaching in Ithaca. Hope to get a job in Syracuse next year."

Hugh Lipsius: "Have been out of service since December. Am anticipating taking up where I left off,—a long four years but I'll enjoy it. Am married and we have one child, three years old."

Roger Mason: "I'm out of the army now after three long years. The period of indecision has set in,—to go back to school, or not to go back. I am married and have a daughter and that responsibility enters into the decision."

EDITH LUX: "Like my job very much. We are having reunions in New York, and seeing Broadway plays. I'm directing the dancing for a community show."

HELEN SZANCILO: "Like my job at Chadwicks very much."

PETE (MURIEL) GRAF: "Working on my Masters' at Columbia (*Sect. Note: My, such ambitious people in our class!*) Met MAURICE PAGE '43, BOB STUHMLER '43, JEAN WRIGHTER '44, JOE SMITH '43, Miss Alway, and others at Columbia."

ELYNOR THOMPSON: "Love my job here at East Aurora. Just working hard and having lots of fun."

HELKY YLINEN: "Married? No such luck! Am playing basketball with a girls' alumnae team."

JANE MCKENNAN: "Basketball Officiating—some fun! Skiing—fun again."

MARMIE CRANDALL: "I'm keeping five-year-olds on the straight and narrow. (*Sect.'s Note: Rumor has it that Marmie is getting married in the spring. Ah, Spring!*)

LILLIAN STAFFORD: (To the query, "Married?") "Nope." ("Going back to school?") "Maybe". (Like your job?) "O.K." (Talkative, isn't she?)

ALICE HANKS: from Peru, N. Y.;—"Am working, collecting pay, eating, drinking, sleeping, flying airplanes, and have a partnership in a Hobby Store with an ex-WASP. If you need any handicraft supplies in Plattsburgh we've got 'em."

JOEY BURKE: "Going to school in Columbia. Enjoying teaching very much."

SHIRLEY DOUST: (See *Weddings and Engagements, THE CORTLAND ALUMNI* for February, 1946) I'm now engaged to Robert Wood, U.S.N.R. Am teaching kindergarten at Manlius. Looking forward to the Alumni banquet next June."

EVA NEVEL: "I'm studying Italian in an Adult Education group,—and am looking forward to another summer at Syracuse University for music."

VIRGINIA BOWER: "Like teaching, but find that it takes plenty of time. Plan to go cross-country this summer."

GLADYS GRIFFITHS: "Routine stuff."

MILLIE ROBARDS: "Married? Are you kidding? Will be teaching at Vestal next year, I think."

SOPHIE FINCH: "Married? Nope; hopin'. The only reason I'm sending this back is because I saw Jorgensen recently and she's making me!" (*Ed.'s Note: Good for Jorgensen!*)

YRSA KOLDING: "Just doing a lot of things I've always wanted to do."

FRANKIE GROVER: "Married? Yes, to my 35 years in the field! (*Sect.'s note:—Don't believe it!*) "Getting a bang out of my Rifle Club. I'm pin-up girl for my 36 bowling teams. Am playing with a semi-pro basketball team. Volunteering a service to future mankind by subjecting myself to the experimental cookery of Marmie Crandall."

Coach BEA EMERICH: "Married? No,—but,—hubba, hubba, hubba. Coaching J.V. B.B. team; and we do win a few games."

MARGIE KINSMAN: "Like my job."

DOTTY KING: "Am chalking it all up to experience."

EILEEN McCORD: "I'm studying for my M.A. at Columbia. Generally having a wonderful time. Miss Cortland, but it's fun to be out, too."

LYNN TURNBULL: "Like my job, —especially on Saturdays and Sundays! Some U.S.O. work at Lido Beach Naval Base. Am learning to type with all *ten* fingers, at night school. Visit the city on weekends."

JEAN CROSSGROVE: From Tioga Center, N. Y.,—"Have a super apartment; am living with ELLIE STRANGE. If you're ever on Route 17, stop in."

The following people are either back at Cortland or are contemplating returning to school in the near future:

Warren Ruppert: "Discharged on Feb. 8, 1946. Am now at home, taking it easy."

Charles May: "Loafing at present. Expect to go back to school. Am married now."

Charles Schwartz: "I'm now back at Cortland, going to school once again. It's really good to get back, but I do miss the old gang." (*Sect.'s note: See 'em all during the Alumni week-end, come June.*)

Dean Yazak: "Married to VICKY FRONTERA '43. A lot of the boys are back."

John and Lou (Kaczmarek) Polanko: "We were married last June. Wonderful;—need I say more? We're both starting school again under the G.I. Bill of Rights."

Arnold Rist: "I was discharged on Nov. 5, 1945, and started at Cortland on Feb. 5, 1946. Visited Lake Placid during the winter."

Hazel Shannon: (No news. Engaged?)

Lloyd Tobin: "Discharged March 2; am going back to school, but don't know where as yet. Did quite a bit of traveling in the past few years, and had much fun."

Dave Fraleigh: "I'm not married; the natives of New Guinea are too black! Going to school at Bard College, here in my own home town (Red Hook, N. Y.). Discharged on Feb. 3, and am back at the old grind."

Sid Graybeal: "Am now going to the University of Maryland; am giving the course of Aviation Administration a try down here. Don't know any one; at times I wish that I were back at Cortland with the old crowd of swell fellows and girls. (*Sect.'s Note: See you in June, Sid?*)

Jack Kuckens, 1st. Lt., 7th Inf.: "Not married as yet, but soon. I hope to go back to school. Have been overseas since March of 1945; seen lots of Europe, aside from France, Germany, Switzerland, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Austria. Fought with the

third division in Germany and Austria. Now I am Company Commander of Hq. Co. and Adjutant of the Battalion north of Frankfurt. Hope to be home this summer or on my way. Then back to Cortland."

They are engaged. (Do they use Bonds?)

MARILYN MALTBY: "Am now engaged to Pfc. Charles Christie, Jr. of Providence. We're waiting for his discharge. Like my job very much."

LEYTA NEWING: "Wasn't able to work from November to February because of illness. Left for Florida on February 21. Not married yet, but am engaged to Ken Tobey."

HAPPILY MARRIED

Bob Kimball: "I'm now married to Poppy (DORIS POPE '43) since May 28, 1943. Am studying pre-med at the University of Rochester. Sid Graybeal and I saw each other quite often when we were on Guam at the same time, but I've lost track of the others."

JANE McDONALD OSBOIN: "Married on Nov. 17, 1945. Honeymooning in Florida as of February."

BOB WAGONER: "Back at Cortland and living in a trailer with my wife Rist, Waye, Schaffer, Yazak and Schwartz are back."

SHIRLEY BRISBIN BROWN: "Doug substituted in Bingo as a teacher for a while; now back at Cortland."

Charlie Legg: "I was married on August 11, 1945; expect to go back to school."

MARY FRAZEE FOUND: "I quit my job in January and am now trying to get settled in an apartment in New York City and keep house."

Gordon (Tiny) Bernard: "I'm planning on going back to Cortland for the summer session this year. Have been married since June, 1944. We have a son, Douglas Perry, born January 9, 1946. Am playing basketball with a team here in Leroy, N. Y."

Jerry Armstrong: "I am in the Marine Air Corps; stationed at present on Midway Island. Hope to stay here for a few years. Married to Dolores Thies of Chicago, and we have a baby girl."

NOTICE TO ALUMNI

The time has come for the College to consider the matter of gathering complete statistics of its men and women either formerly or at present in the service. Such a record will of course be of vital personal and historical value. To be complete and comprehensive, it should include such information as the person's name and the College class and course; the present address and occupation; the branch of service; ranks attained; and all places involved in their record from induction to discharge, with reference also to actual front line experience; and any personal human interest material.

The College urgently requests all Alumni to send in any such information as they are acquainted with. Mark it "For Service Records." It will be greatly appreciated.

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