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Camp Huntington

Dr. Harlan Metcalf

The Huntington Memorial Camp of Cortland State Teachers College was given to the college by Archer Milton Huntington in memory of his father, the railroad magnate, Collis Potter Huntington. C. P. Huntington maintained this summer home in the Adirondack woods for his family, and for the entertainment of his friends. He also maintained a large staff of guides to take his friends hunting, trapping and fishing when and where they desired. These guides were housed in two structures, the Trappers Cabin and the Guide House, which are still standing.

There are 15 buildings on the property of well over 200 acres, not counting the caretaker's house and the old barn with a shed or two. With the exception of the barn, the house boat and Kirby cabin, all of the buildings are located on a small point of land extending into South Bay of Raquette Lake from Long Point, called Pine Knot Point. This is a beautiful tree-studded peninsula with young balsam firs and red spruce splashed around between the well-spaced buildings, above which tower large yellow birches and hemlocks. But, rising high over everything else, a few giant white pines keep faithful watch in all directions;-toward West Mountain in the west, Blue Mountain to the east, the mouth of the Marion River to the northeast, and South Bay of Raquette Lake to the south.

The majority of the buildings were built by Mr. William Durant, from whom Mr. Huntington purchased most of the property. These buildings are here listed.

The kitchen and two connecting dining rooms, one of which is winter-



Lake and Camp Huntington

ized, and the other a glass-windowed dining room overlooking the lake.

The Nursery, a lovely winterized, three-winged structure where Mr. Durant lived the year round, with his family. The northeast room of this structure is the one in which Collis P. Huntington died; it is now planned to house a camp library and museum in this building.

The Swiss Chalet is just what its name implies; a two-story chalet facing the lake with upstairs balcony on the east, south and west sides. A photograph of this building is to be found in volume II of the book entitled "Life in the Adirondacks."

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The Durant Cabin is a beautiful, 3-room cabin with sidings of white cedar bark, and hand-made furniture of rustic native materials.

The Shop contains many ancient tools, including a harness vise, and a vise for making shingles.

The Lantern House, containing hundreds of old lanterns, (some antique) lamps and wicks of all sizes and designs. Unfortunately this house was recently demolished by a two-foot-diameter hemlock which fell on it during a storm late last fall.

The old "Maid's Cabin" (not the Old Maid's Cabin!) which is a small, well-insulated, four-room cabin which housed the maid servants in Mr. Durant's time.

When Collis P. Huntington took over, he built the following additional structures.

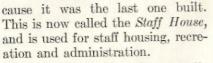
The Play House; now called Recreation Hall, a large, highceilinged, one-room structure with a tremendous open stone fireplace, and with long windows on three sides. This log house has already been found excellent for rally-day campfire programs, square dancing, indoor recreation and evening sings.

The Servants Quarters; a twowinged structure partitioned for men servants on one side, and maid servants on the other; it contains 11 rooms and housed a total of 23 servants. This building has already been utilized by Cortland as a dormitory for campers.

The Icehouse; a large structure on the shore of the lake, next to the kitchen.

The New Cabin; so-called be-





The purchase of a cabin one mile east of Pine Knot Point on the south shore of Long Point straightened out the eastern boundary of the Huntington property. This is called the *Kirby Camp*, named from its former owner.

The present caretaker, John Moore, and his wife Grace, are completing their 29th year at Camp Pine Knot, (the Huntington's name for the camp). John Moore is recognized throughout the North country for his strength, woodsmanship, general nature-lore knowledge, and his skill as a famous Adirondack guide and trapper. He had ten vears of experience working in New York State lumber camps previous to his coming to Raquette Lake, and therefore is our chief instructor in axe-manship. John is a treasurehouse of knowledge concerning interesting historical events which have occurred on or near the camp. As one example: there are on the camp property, and now belonging to the college, two new guide boats which had never been used previous to Cortland's occupation. These two guide boats, John informed us, were built 75 to 100 years ago by Jerome Wood, who was the first white child to be born on the shores of Raquette Lake.

June of 1948 marked the first camp of Cortland State Teachers College at Camp Huntington. Under the leadership of the author, assisted by Mr. MacPhee, the following men from the college had a work-camp experience, giving their services to develop the physical facilities of the camp for use of future camps.



At Camp Huntington in the Adirondacks

Jack Bowman, Bill Brandt, Wm. Bub, Bruce Dick, Lloyd Elmer, George Fuge, Harry Herbold, Jole Holiker, Bill Hurley, Bob Lays, Charles Meisenzahl, Al Molnar, Ed Olivari, Richard Stedman, and Roy Vandenburg.

It should be remembered that none of the buildings had been inhabited for nearly fifty years previous to Cortland's accession. Mr. Moore had been instructed that his only responsibility as caretaker was to patrol the property and run off all trespassers. This job was absolutely essential to prevent destruction by forest fires from careless transient campers, and it took up practically all of Mr. Moore's time, in addition to the work of maintaining his house, raising vegetables and cutting wood for winter.

Mr. Huntington spent no money to maintain the buildings on the camp, and never wanted any trees cut or any of the property lumbered, and, although offered large sums of money for the property, he constantly refused to sell it because of his great love and sentiment for this summer home of his boyhood. This meant that the buildings at camp were deteriorating rapidly. due mainly to roof leaks; all toilet and plumbing facilities had long since disappeared. The boys of the work camp found much repair and construction work to do, and they did willingly and well all they had time to do, in the two-week period.

The next group of Camp Huntington pioneers from Cortland camped during the period of August 17 to September 7. This camp was composed of 21 girls and three boys, mostly undergraduates. These students received four hours of credit and instruction in nature and conservation activities, waterfront activities, survival crafts and camp crafts, as well as camp organization and administration through meeting problems in these areas, doing joint planning, and carrying out the solutions. This camp, although it was composed mainly of girls, did an amazing amount of work, as is shown by the following list of their accomplishments:

Constructed a garbage disposal pit; developed a library, a museum; cleaned the recreation hall; moved pictures to nursery; built ladders on docks; constructed canoe racks; repaired canoes; roofed the dormitory; cleaned up the main trails; made steps in back of dorm to lake: cleared area for church; dug bean hole and constructed outdoor cooking area; built fireplace; cleaned out lean-to; made board for checking out canoes; cut and split wood for winter use; cleared area behind kitchen; fixed woodshed; partly cleaned swimming area; put rubber protectors on dock; built porch on back of kitchen for garbage; piled shingles for tinder; worked on latrines; cleaned out and arranged toolshed; built two dry pits for waste water; piped water into kitchen; put linoleum on kitchen table; investigated swimming area near bath-house; and puttied the kitchen door.

The camp Director, Dr. Metcalf, was assisted in this second camp period by Prof. W. B. Clemens, who taught nature and conservation activities; and Mrs. Metcalf, who planned the meals and handled transportation of both people and food, and acted as camp nurse. Part-time staff members included Mrs. Clemens, outdoor cooking; Mrs. Harriet B. Holsten, water-



front activities; and Mr. Art Howe, whose leadership, skill and hard work in the reconstruction of camp buildings resulted in our being able to get the roofs patched up sufficiently to prevent further deterioration of buildings, for the time being. He also individually performed countless services in the reconstruction of camp facilities.

Because Camp Huntington at present has facilities for not over 50 people (campers and staff) it will be very busy during the summer of 1949. The tentative schedule is arranged at present as follows:

- May 1-15: 7th and 8th grade boys and girls of the Training School, with their teachers and special staff.
- June 8-21: 40 freshmen plus staff.
- June 22-July 4: 40 men, seniors and freshmen combined, plus staff.
- July 5-23: 40 undergraduates, including a science group of about 20, plus some phys. ed. majors.
- July 25-Aug. 13: 40 students; some graduates.
- Aug. 15-27: 40 students; some graduates; some freshmen girls.

Aug. 28-Sept. 10: 40 freshmen girls. The physical education and recre-

ation education majors are required a minimum of 2 weeks at Camp Huntington, for graduation. It is expected that eventually they will attend immediately following their freshman year.

Graduate students majoring in either physical education or recreation may enroll for the following courses at Camp Huntington this summer, 1949:

July 25-August 13 (3 weeks)

- Workshop in Camp Administration and Leadership.....2 Sem. Hrs.
- Modern Trends in Rec-
- Recreation.....1 or 2 Sem. Hrs. August 15-27 (2 weeks)

All inquiries regarding graduate courses offered at Camp Huntington should be addressed to: The Director, Summer Session, State Teachers College, Cortland, N. Y.



The second group at Camp Huntington August, 1948

Dr. Smith Honored

Early in March, Dr. Donnal V. Smith, president of C.S.T.C., was chosen as the outstanding alumnus of Bowling Green University in 1948. The unanimous selection was made by the members of Pick and Pen, senior men's leadership honor society at Bowling Green.

Dr. Smith is the first person to be so recognized, and he has been invited to participate in the Honors Day convocation at Bowling Green on May 24. In 1943, he was awarded the honorary degree of doctor of laws at Bowling Green; this was the same year he became president of Cortland State.

A native of Van Wert county, Ohio, and a graduate of Convoy High School, Dr. Smith completed most of his undergraduate work at the University of Chicago, where he won a \$1,500 competitive scholarship. He taught at Bloomdale High School, was principal at Delta High School, and faculty member at the University of Texas and the State College for Teachers at Albany, N. Y.

Dr. Smith is the author of several books, one of them written in collaboration with Charles A. Beard and James Harvey Robinson, prominent historians.

His fraternity is Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Congratulations to Dr. Smith for the so-well-deserved honor, and gratitude from all the alumni for the reflected glory brought to their Alma Mater by the distinguished president of the cogelle.

Need for a College Pastor

For the past few years, especially since the enrollment at the college has so greatly increased, the faculty and the students have felt the growing need for an on-campus student pastor, for the Protestant students.

During the month of April, pledges amounting to about \$5,000 have been received. Keenly interested in the plan, college students themselves have set out to raise money and pledges amounting to twice that amount—the sum needed to finance the campus pastor for three years; after that period of time, it is hoped that parents as well as students will continue the responsibility.

It is sincerely hoped that many of the alumni will be aware of the need, and being sympathetic with the students' desire for a full-time counsellor and campus pastor, will be willing to help assume responsibility for providing the religious environment for the college students at Cortland during their college years.

Contributions or pledges may be sent—as soon as possible—to Dr. Lynn E. Brown, Dean of the College, Cortland, N. Y. Your help is needed.

As we go to press, word has beenreceived that Camp Huntington at Raquette Lake in the Adirondacks has been approved by New York State, and the sum of \$12,500 is granted for capital improvements there.

The money will be spent for electric plants, water systems, sanitation and sewage treatment. The eighteen camp buildings will be lighted by four 3,000-watt generators. Small domestic water units for winter use, and a 2,000-gallon tank for fire protection in the summer will be installed. One generator and one light plant are now in the process of installation.

For a two-week camping session, thirty-four pupils from the training school and ten faculty members were at the Camp for the last week in April and the first week in May.

Reminiscences: 1900-'05

(Continued from February Issue)

1900

From MAUD BINGHAM (Mrs. Maud C. Wadsworth) R. D. No. 2, McGraw, N. Y.

I have a copy of the Commencement program of July 3, 1900, a copy of The Normal News of October, 1898, and a circular of the school of around 1900 in which it is stated: "Board ranges from \$3 to \$4 per week. Rents vary from 50 cents to \$1.25 per week. Students can rent furnished rooms and have food cooked for \$1 per week."

With nine other members of the graduating class I was chosen to help teach physics and chemistry in connection with the laboratory work under Prof. Booth. One of the trials of the work was the poorly written and untidy looking notebooks which we were required to mark. One of the older men in my class had an especially poor notebook and I insisted that he rewrite it before passing on his work. Later, to my consternation, I was told he was a former school commissioner.

We wore long skirts covering even our laced shoes with their many eyelets. Most girls wore "rats" in their hair, side combs, chokers made of wide ribbon wound around the neck at least twice, with the ends tucked in, or maybe black velvet high collars; maybe a bow in the back extending horizontally or perhaps white collars with narrow black ribbon around the same with a cute bow in front. Many separate "waists," not blouses! Muttonleg sleeves, too. Some wore hip pads and silk petticoats that rustled delightfully as they walked through the aisles.

In one of our recitations in psychology Dr. Cheney was seeking to show that a perfect object was entire without blemish. Turning to one of his charming lady students he said: "Miss —, am I perfect?" His hands were much in evidence on top of the desk and we all knew that the end of the third finger on one hand was missing up to the first joint. The young lady hesitated and then with a smile said, "I think you are, Dr. Cheney!" The doctor seemed as pleased as we were, at her sally.

Many things live on in memory. Teachers of character and worth, chapel exercises, Students' Christian Union; the club receptions; the quiet library; the rush from gym up the winding stairs to a lab session; the slow droll smile on a professor's face; the 'snap in the music teacher's fingers; the tests; rhetoricals; critics; friendship; love: the making of men and women. Good old Normal.

From Alberta E. WATERBURY

(Mrs. F. J. Potter) 28 William St., Cortland, N. Y.

I began my school days in Cortland

Normal in the seventh grade in the Intermediate Department, (having moved from Geneseo) under the principalship of Mrs. Nellie Pearne Beardsley, a most superior woman of rare personality who gave much in ethical training and whose influence continues to this day.

She was succeeded by Miss Anna Cordo, whose father was the local Baptist clergyman; and later came Thomas J. McEvoy whose character, personality, instruction and influence are enduring in their rich contribution to all who were so fortunate as to know him.

In the days of the 1890's, there was a tenth grade in the Intermediate department, and after graduation our group of six girls, Mrs. Stella Sears Tanner, Mrs. Carrie Kellogg Pearce, Mrs. Bertha Birdlebough Robinson, Mrs. Stella Quinn Nichols, Mrs. Lena Hamilton Lee and I went "upstairs" into the Normal department where an illustrious faculty of exceptionally splendid men and women guided us in paths of learning.

Many of our class will recall our frequent response in Latin classes to Prof. Banta's "you may pause there."

In those days the Gamma Sigma and Delphic fraternities; the Agonian, Clionian, and Alpha Delta sororities, all had well-furnished club rooms on the third floor in the old Normal School building. Meetings held Friday evenings were pleasant social and instructive occasions and sometimes, gala events, when there were initiations. Club publics held every January taught us much in literature and dramatics.

The annual June reception given jointly by all the clubs was a delightful social occasion of the year when in our "Sunday best" we strolled throughout the Normal halls and clubrooms to greet the faculty, our schoolmates and friends.

In retrospect, the "good old days" between 1890 and 1900 stand forth as exceedingly happy and profitable years when our faithful teachers contributed their best to give us a firm foundation in general education. From FLORENCE M. CHAFFEE, 942 South Westmoreland Ave., Los Angeles 6, Calif.

What are my most vivid memories of Cortland Normal 50 years ago? Strange how much more vivid those experiences are than many of the intervening years!

One of the first things that comes to mind is our Sixth-Latin Class celebration in the fall of 1899. When Virgil brought us to Dido's death, every class celebrated in some way. Our class had a banquet at a hotel in Truxton, reached by means of a straw ride in a great open wagon. Prof. Banta and Miss Alger went along as chaperons, and a fine time was had by all until it was time to leave and someone discovered that it was raining!

To return to Cortland in an open wagon through pouring rain was, of course, out of the question. So, after an hour or two of charades and other wild games-I can still see what a desperado Prof. Banta appeared as he helped act out "sin-till-late"-the chaperons decided we'd have to stay over night. Rooms were secured for Miss Alger and the less rugged girls, while the rest of the girls stretched out on the floor of one parlor, and Prof. Banta and the boys did the same in another room. Of course there was more hilarity than sleeping. The next morning most of us went back on the train, arriving late for Chapel and 1st period lessons, and feeling very important. But our mood changed somewhat when, taking our written excuses to the office, we confronted a stern Dr. Cheney who mentioned the possibility of unexcused absences-something to be avoided 50 years ago-and uttered a warning which is still a classic when those old grads get together: "In making any plans that involve the school the incipient step is toward the office!" But in the end we were excused.

About the same time a bust of Shakespeare treasured in the literature room was unfortunately knocked over by a student and smashed to bits. The luckless student received a severe verbal spanking from Miss Hendrick and much sympathy from the students. In the next issue of Normal News, some poet (was it Sam Howe?) succinctly summed up the outstanding events of the month with—

"Dido's dead; her dust is dusted! Shakespeare's dead; his bust is busted!"

I remember other things; dear Prof.

Cornish ("That is sufficient!") who was never too busy to help, and always acted as if you were the only person in the world he wanted to see: Miss Alger, with such dynamic power to draw music from the most unpromising that you sang for her whether you could or not; Miss Gale with personal interest and help for each of us, and for the children of the practice department as well; Miss Bishop, always polished and serene; Miss Curry, whose hands we liked to watch, and who opened to us a new and interesting world of mythology-remember the blue print books we made in Latin Class? And Prof. Booth who came to Cortland with his beautiful young wife, and whose home became a haven to many a homesick student.

Perhaps most fondly of all I remember my sorority, the Corlonor, afterwards Agonian. We always answered to roll call on Friday nights with a quotation, one favorite being so true that it is timeless: "Thy friend hath a friend; thy friend's friend hath a friend: be discreet!" I remember those all-important "Club publics" that came at mid-year; do they still have them? One that stands out was a mock trial that our sorority put on, in which an especially inoffensive little girl was brought to trial for stealing a pair of rubbers from the cloak room. We spent hours visiting court under the sponsorship of Rowland Davis, a young local attorney, and preparing a suitable court calendar, besides our prosecution and defense. In the trial I still remember how Frances Graham, a juror, snatched off her own rubbers and clutched them tightly in her bag when the prosecution thundered about the thousands of rubbers that were being stolen!

I remember going up alone after graduation in the opera house,—to say farewell to the club rooms about which there were so many fond and meaningful associations. I remember so many other things, mostly happy ones, that a whole issue of the Alumni magazine would scarcely contain them.

From Louis Lindsey,

854 Maryland Ave.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

In July, 1947, I retired from teaching after being engaged in this for the greater part of 53 years. The last 36 years was in teaching mathematics at Syracuse University.

Among my vivid recollections is that of the deliberate manner with which Miss Hendricks would place her glasses on her nose and read a question, then remove her glasses and call on some unlucky student to answer.

The most surprising thing was that I received a diploma qualifying me to teach music, although I do not know a tune. My success in music was due to three conditions: 1) The knowledge that Dana Dennison who sat in front of me in class always failed his question, which then came to me after I had had time to count out the correct answer; 2) when Miss Alger played two chords for an ear test, she always played a major and then a minor; 3) the fact that I could recite rapidly the order of sharps on the scale; i.e.—f, c, g, d, a, e (Frances Chenev Goes Diving After Eels!)

I believe the academic work done at the Cortland Normal of that time was far superior to college work in the same subject today.

1901

From Bessie L. Park, 79 Prospect Terrace, Cortland, N. Y.

To reminisce about the happenings at Cortland Normal School of fifty years ago brings to me many thrills and happy memories.

Being interested even at that time in physical education which I later made my life work, I can recall very vividly a number of interesting experiences. In the spring of the year in which I graduated, I recall that a tennis association was organized for both men and women. Pictures of the "ladies" costume worn on the courts at that time cause one to wonder how fast a game could be played. The "new look" skirts of today are short as compared to those worn in 1901.

I so well recall the one extra-curricular activity for girls—basketball. To help us especially in speeding up our game it became a practice for us to play with the Y.M.C.A. junior team, while our varsity team played girls from Syracuse University and Oswego Normal School. At Syracuse one of our players, I think it was Grace Halsey, ran into a post in the gymnasium and cut a deep gash in her forehead. After first aid was applied she continued with the game. Needless to say, she was the heroine of the game.

Mrs. Caroline Monell Curry Hawkins was our chaperone when we played Oswego Normal at Oswego. After the game we were guests of our opponents for the night and were expected to be in bed by 11. We were, but only for a short time. When all seemed quiet in the dormitory we all assembled in one room and had a luscious chafing dish "feed," finally retiring in the wee small hours of the morning. On our way home we told Mrs. Hawkins of the escapade, and to our amazement she approved!

Our costumes for basketball consisted of very full dark blue bloomers which bagged well below the knees, white middy blouse with blue wool collar, long sleeves with blue wool cuffs, black stockings, and sneakers. Long hair being the style, it was necessary to keep it in place usually with ribbons tied in a bow on the top of the head.

The girls' basketball games every Wednesday and Friday afternoons were well and enthusiastically attended by a large part of the student body.

I recall the enthusiasm with which we attended night classes in astronomy which were held in the cupola of the school building. While this served as an opportunity to study firsthand the stars and planets, it also provided an occasion for "girl meet boy."

One afternoon it was announced in every class that we were to be excused for a few minutes to go to the north windows to see, in one of the elm trees, a pair of scarlet tanagers—a real event and treat, as these birds were seldom seen in Cortland.

How well we recall our clubs, "club publics" and all that they meant to us. Remember the fire doors always closed on Friday-club night, thus separating the Gamma Sigs and the Delphics from the Clionians, Corlonors and the Alpha Deltas? Remember the business meetings carried on according to Roberts Rules of Order, and followed by a literary program? As a member of Alpha Delta, I recall how Mr. Seeber used to knock on the club-room door about five minutes before nine,-a signal to be out of the building in about five minutes; and then how the members of the three girls' clubs would file down the stairs to be greeted, we hoped, by a boy friend from the Gamma Sigs or the Delphics who assembled by the outside door in advance.

Perhaps I should finish my reminiscing by recalling Commencement, 1901. The date was set for July 2 or 3 in order that New York City teachers might attend, and the weather—

well, it was the never-to-be-forgotten kind; so very, very warm that many of us actually stuck to our seats in the Cortland Opera House on Groton Ave. And our white graduating dresses had long, full, and much ruffled skirts with a short train, long sleeves and high, stiff collars which pointed up to the ears. The program which began at 10:00 a.m. and lasted until after 1 o'clock consisted of "orations" and "essays" presented by honor students; music, and finally an address to the class by a distinguished speaker. Immediately following these "exercises" the class went to the Normal gym for the alumni luncheon and a program of more speeches which lasted until around 5 p.m. Thus, after seven hours, we separated from our classmates carrying with us the highly treasured diploma-a large sheet of sheep skin tied with a bow of red ribbon.

From GRACE PERLEE Howe, 203 Fair St., Ithaca, N. Y.

About nineteen hundred, the plan of government-by-the-students themselves in higher institutions of learning had swept the country. Cortland Normal, always in key with the times, decided to organize a self-governing "Normal School City." A democratic election was held to select the various officers. I remember that Bert Gross was chief of police; Charles Dowd, prosecuting attorney; and I was chief justice.

In order to learn court procedure I consulted a prominent local lawyer, David VanHoesen, and attended some court sessions in the old court house where the library now stands.

The first law-breaker to be arrested was Glenn Woodin who (horrible to relate!) walked in the halls during class period! The trial of Mr. Woodin, who was his own defense council, was somewhat sensational. Upon being convicted and sentenced to be reprimanded by Dr. Cheney, he became very angry and proclaiming, "It is the most abominable injustice that I ever heard of," stalked from the court room. The friends of the various parties took sides in the matter and there was considerable conflict resulting in unpleasant publicity. Dr. Cheney decided it was simpler to return to benevolent despotism! Thus ended the "Normal School City." It is interesting to wonder if Mr. Woodin, later district attorney at Dunkirk, N. Y., ever thought of his first court appearance, and smiled at his youthful defiance.

The election of class officers usually involved considerable fraternity and sorority rivalry and intrigue. Dr. Cheney, deciding to eliminate such machinations, outwitted the class of 1901 by calling a surprise class meeting and commanding that the officers be elected then and there. This "free election" resulted in the selection of James Beha for president; his very distinguished later career as State Superintendent of Insurance and in many other equally notable positions, shed luster on the class of 1901 and Cortland Normal as well.

I think the Cortland Normal teacher who most inspired me was Miss Alger. One of the things she taught us was that if there was any extra commotion in the back of the room caused by a person's entering or leaving during class period, not a head should be turned. Sounds simple, doesn't it? But it was surprisingly hard to do; a real lesson in self-control.

Upon the board in her class room Miss Alger usually had some notable quotation which she planned we should automatically read and absorb. I well remember this one: "I will be lord over myself. Only he who is master of self is worthy to rule and he alone *can* rule." In my teaching years, when confronted by a class of difficult pupils, those words often came to me, giving me poise and courage.

(The following poem, written by Mrs. Howe, was published in *The Cortland Standard* on February 27, 1919, following the fire which destroyed the old Cortland Normal School.)

The Old Cortland Normal

Burned Down! A mass of rough debris Is all that's left;

- I gaze upon thy ruined walls And am bereft.
- 'Twas naught but sticks and bricks, they say;
 - Nay, that's not right!
- For me those bricks possessed a soul, Loyal and bright.
- Each door a friendly hand outstretched
 - To eager youth;
- The windows shining eyes alight With hope and truth.
- Each room a willing shrine where some Heroic heart
- Taught ever wisdom's way to act The better part.

Burned down! Not so, my childhood's friend,

For deep ingrained

- In thousands scattered everywhere Thy form remained.
- For fifty years thou sent thy legions Near and far;
- And now in truth thou livest Wheresoe'er they are.

-Grace PerLee Howe.

1904

Charles D. Corwin 206 Elm Street Groton, New York (Works Manager at L. C. Smith & Corona Typewriters Inc.)

One of the memories which I have cherished thruout the years since Cortland Normal days is the memory of the Morning Chapel Devotional periods of about 15 minutes prior to classes. A verse or two was read from the Bible, a short prayer was offered and a song was sung by all. I believe these periods did much to start the students off in good spirits for their day's work. Dr. Cheney and other professors alternated frequently in conducting these exercises. When Dr. Cheney conducted the Devotional periods his prayer contained one sentence which has remained in my memory as a clear cut gem. The sentence was-"Dear Lord, Bless the efficacy of the means used for the restoration to health of our loved ones." I wonder how many others recall this sentence. When Prof. Cornish's turn came about, he would, with a twinkle in his eye, suggest the song, "Grow Old Along With Methe Best Is Yet to Be." He knew that we young ones were not giving much thought to growing old.

Another memory is of the same Prof. Cornish while he lived on Stewart Avenue. On a pleasant evening in Spring, he frequently wheeled a baby carriage with his baby within it, using his right hand for the carriage and in his left hand would be a book which he proceeded to read as he walked along.

I am certain that the old timers will never forget Miss Carrie Monell Curry who later was married to Prof. Layton Hawkins. And then, there was Miss Booth, tall and statuesque, and Prof. William Booth who taught chemistry and physics and who was always respected, not only as a teacher, but also as a fine type of man as was Prof. Robertson who succeeded Prof. Booth just prior to 1904. In those days the hair-do for the ladies was voluminuous and hefty and even so-called "rats" were worn, apparently to increase the size of the hair pile which, while on the street, was adorned with a very large, spreadout, plentifully adorned hat which was an extremely great nuisance when one took the lady out for a buggy ride. (The word, "buggy," was the term then most usually applied to a horsedrawn vehicle.)

Then, there was the gay crowd at parties and especially at Christmas time when the students were returning home for the holidays and the greater portion left Cortland by way of the D. L. & W. R. R. as the automobiles had not yet made their appearance. At that time the railway station was located on the south side of so-called Railroad St., now known as Central Ave.

Last, but not least, was the smell of floor oil on Mondays. Our beloved janitor, Mr. Seeber, vigorously applied this to the wooden floors during the week ends and we often referred to it as Mr. Seeber's cologne.

1905

From Ruth I. Austin 6 Harrington Ave. Cortland, New York

The good old days. Yes, and good old Normal. I see those halls now, and a feeling of nostalgia is mine. How many precious memories cling around the old school when serious people labored both in and out of season to accomplish that whereunto they had set their goal. Many students gained an education through sacrifice on their part as well as that of their families. Eagerness for a better way of life, willingness to live simply, and a certain stamina of character led on to success.

To our revered Dr. Cheney we owe much. A gentleman of fine character, a person who was faithful to his duties, as well as a strict though kind administrator, he wielded an influence "more to be desired than much fine gold."

To our instructors I pay homage. Though we younger ones were somewhat awed by their great dignity and strong personalities, how often I thank them for their contribution to our lives. Among them were: Professor Parker, Latin; Mrs. Hawkins, Latin; Miss Booth, German; Miss Hendricks, literature; Miss Gale, critic and methods; Miss Hamilton, history; Professor Cornish, mathematics; and who does not remember him with that fatherly way and glowing smile. He became the confidante of many. No fear lurked where he reigned. Perhaps there was more awe in Miss Hendrick's room, but I can better appreciate her wonderful equipment to teach us untried and immature youngsters to understand some of the world's best literature. Her friendship for Miss Booth was like that of David for Johathan. There must have been some great quality of mind and soul. I cannot omit Miss Alger, the one who inspired many to love the offerings of the great musicians, and it was her influence that turned others to accept that as their field of endeavor. It was in the hour of a great sorrow when she gave that understanding and sympathy so necessary. Few there are who can heal pain of soul, as it is not given many to read beneath the surface. It is that "human touch," mentioned by the poets, which tides us over the rough places. and that ability was hers.

Life for me in Normal was on the whole smooth, yet I recall many experiences which are not forgotten. Those famous "rhetoricals," dreaded by most of us, made great impressions and led to certain "situations." In spite of the fact that I was not given to be uncooperative or disobedient, I wrote a theme on "The Use of the Latin Horse." This aid to translation was not approved, yet I tried to prove its necessity. When Professor Parker appeared at those exercises when I was to give my oration, I seemed to feel the need of a hole in the floor. Young, serious, and inexperienced as I was, it was entirely too "awful" to see him there. Since no calamity befell me, I recovered my equipoise and respect.

Among the simple pleasures were the times when we went out into the open to gather flowers, etc. for decorating the club room. Then the club publics were a yearly affair. One entertainment I recall was the dramatization of "The Houseboat on the Styx." I was Artemus Ward, and among others were Shakespeare, Boswell and Tennyson. Those long, black robes will never be forgotten. Miss Cody, a member of the staff at the old Cortland Conservatory, was our coach, and those rehearsals were not play spells.

Pranks were played in those days, yet I fail to recall that any harm was done. Some embarassing moments ensued though. When a party went to the old Raymond House at

Little York for dinner, friends seemed to wish to make it an "event," so they removed wheels from the carriages. When the revellers were ready to return, it was necessary to either walk or find other methods of transportation. Then there was the time when Professor Banta was absent from his duties for a short time. On his return he was escorted to chapel by a bodyguard, and to his amazement a very late model of a bicycle was forthcoming and presented to him. Yes, there was on the whole a most admirable spirit among the personnel of our Alma Mater, both instructors and students being involved. Then there was a funeral of "Queen Dido" when the toastmaster was kidnapped, so the "obsequies" had to be changed somewhat. But the next morning the victim was brought into chapel upon the shoulders of the offenders with this song upon their lips: "Beha, Beha, They took him away, We got a hack and brought him back, And now he's come to stay."

The method of living adopted by some of the men was in this wise:— A group living in the same neighborhood formed a "club." A member was appointed to act as buyer by the week, the others sharing expense. Some woman nearby would prepare the meals, her name being chosen as the name of the club. One I recall was the "Ross Club." This led to a spirit of comradeship as well as providing fun and a homelike atmosphere.

Should a present-day student see a typical attendant of the old Normal, she would not only be surprised but highly amused, as we all would. Pompadours over "rats," the higher the better; high-boned collars and points as far under the ears as possible; jabots; no bobbed hair; but all kinds of knots, some of which were very "individualistic"; and those delightful "sweeps," making us feel very grown-up, and worn with no regard for sanitation, as they were wonderful to gather up the dirt as they did their "sweeping" along the floor, Full sleeves, puffed, shirred, and as long as one could get on the armthese were some of the foibles of dress in those bygone days.

Proud am I to be numbered among the throng that trod old Normal Halls. Many of the graduates have won enviable positions in life as teachers, lawyers, doctors, etc. My plea is that the present generation may have the same feeling of gratitude 8

(*Editor's Note:* The entire group of letters containing "Reminiscences from 1900 to 1905" has been compiled into a booklet and will be sent to you upon receipt of the cost: \$1.00.

Send to The Alumni Office, State Teacher's College, Cortland, N. Y.)

Fourth Annual Drama Festival

The Fourth annual Drama Festival was held at the college April 8 and 9, with over 900 persons registering for the two-day event. Guests were present from many parts of the state, and various high schools and colleges had representatives in attendance.

The theme of this year's festival was "New York State Folk Lore and History," and townspeople and merchants of the city cooperated to make the entire community "drama festival conscious." Seventeen Main Street merchants had special displays in their windows, exhibiting objects of bye-gone days which attracted a great deal of comment and interest. Lovely old silver, furniture, guns, dolls, historical papers and records, costumes and the like were loaned, and the entire shopping area of the city took on an "antique" atmosphere for the week of the festival.

Opening at 2 P.M. on Friday with a welcoming greeting from Dr. Smith, president of the college, Dr. Harold Thompson of Cornell, author of "Body, Boots and Britches" and Louis Wolner of Homer, authority on the Cardiff Giant, were the speakers at the afternoon session. At 4 P.M. a song fest was held, and at 8:15 P.M. the play "Our Town" was presented by students of Binghamton Central School.

Saturday morning, a workshop was held, dealing with such problems as casting, directing, lighting and scenic design. At 11:00 A.M., Dr. Louis Jones, curator of the New York State Museum, spoke on "The Supernatural in State Folk Lore," and delighted his audience with his tales as well as his rare aptness for telling a "tall tale." Luncheon followed the morning session; it was held at Lolli's Restaurant, and the speaker for the invited guests was Prof. Alexander Drummond of Ithaca, originator of the New York State Plays project. At 2:15, in the college auditorium, Folk Songs were presented; at 2:45, two one-act plays were given, and at 4 Folk dancing was presented by Miss Ball and students from her classes at the college. The final banquet was held on Saturday evening in the college cafeteria, and at 7:45 the high schools of Groton, McLean, Virgil and Marathon, and St. Mary's of Cortland presented a series of folk plays in the college auditorium. A forum for evaluating the festival concluded the program on Saturday evening.

It was a very worthwhile project, and Mrs. Mary Noble Smith and her committee of college students, all of whom worked long and tirelessly for the success of the festival, received many well-deserved compliments and congratulations for the unusually ambitious undertaking. It was a fine demonstration of statewide neighborliness in historical backgrounds of our area, as well as a practical workshop for critical analysis of the presentation of amateur plays by students in the schools of our state. As Dr. Smith remarked in his welcoming speech: "The teaching of dramatics is one of the more practical aspects of present-day education."

BOOKLET AVAILABLE

A booklet giving information on the Cortland State Teachers College graduate division is available to anyone wishing information on the program, according to Dr. Sueltz, chairman of the graduate committee.

This booklet has been prepared by Dr. Ross Allen, Dr. Ross Bowers, Dr. Harlan G. Metcalf, Dr. Donovan C. Moffett and Dr. Maxwell G. Park, under the general direction of Dr. Sueltz. It lists courses and requirements for graduate work, and gives an account of the intensive training program.

Interesting to note is the fact that the actual printing of the booklet was done on the college's recently acquired Davidson Offset Press. Philip S. Jennison, college director of publicity, was in charge of printing this 36-page pamphlet.

Late in April, Dr. Smith, president of Cortland State, announced the inauguration of a program in early-childhood training at the college, cooperating with the recently approved plans of the establishment of two nursery schools in the Cortland school system. These three public nursery schools mark a definite progress in the city program, and is a new step at the college, which, up until now, has not included such a course in its curriculum

Former Faculty Member Dies

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Barbara Fretz Kempton of Garden City, L. I., on Thursday, April 14. Mrs. Kempton as well as her husband, Donald Kempton, were former members of the faculty of Cortland State. Mrs. Kempton was a graduate of Cornell University, where she earned her A.B., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. She was a member of the education department of Cortland State from 1926 to 1939, when she was married to Mr. Kempton. She was treasurer of the Cornell Women's Clubs, and a former president of the Cornell University Club of Cortland. She is survived by her husband and her mother, Mrs. Franklin Fretz of Easton, Pa.

REUNION CLASSES

1899

- 50 yr. Reunion Class—Addresses Lost Alexander, Harriet W.—Mrs. Garland Myatt
- Baker, Mrs. Ada L.—Mrs. Geo. P. Williams
- Carle, Netta-Mrs. Theodore K. Rowland
- Eilhauer, Marietta
- Enright, Daniel E.
- Hanneen, Elizabeth-Mrs. C. Connolly
- Hopkins, Antoinette—Mrs. G. G. Bardo
- Kelleher, Julia-Mrs. John J. Daly
- Kelley, Mary A.—Mrs. M. Ahern Lamont, Emily A.—Mrs. G. M. Foulds
- Landon, Olive M.—Mrs. Marion C. Holcomb
- Male, Roy R.
- McDermott, Lawrence M.
- McHale, Lauretta C.-Mrs. L. C. Buckley
- O'Connor, Mary A.-Mrs. Mary A. Callahan
- O'Laughlin, Anna
- Palmer, Etta M.—Mrs. Grant Holmes
- Powlesland, Ina B.
- Ruggles, Edna
- Ryan, Jennie L.
- Savage, Anna M.
- Saxon, Ida M.—Mrs. W. Heath Smith
- Seeber, Nina-Mrs. Curtis M. Smith
- Sheehan, Joseph P.
- Skellinger, Clara-Mrs. Ferd. W. Goldsmith
- Stevens, Mabel L.—Mrs. Benjamin F. Love
- Taylor, Luella K.
- Tumin, Bessie-Mrs. David Katz
- Wetmore, Mabelle-Mrs. F. E. Fox Wills, Eda May

1924

- 25 Yr. Reunion Class—Addresses Lost Belding, John
- Blackman, Martha-Mrs. Carl Reynolds
- Eddy, Kathleen-Mrs. Reginald Case
- Gillette, Florence-Mrs. Clinton D.
- Harman Levey, Isabelle—Mrs. Newton Craw-
- ford
- Mullin, Mary—Mrs. Paul F. Martin Palmer, Louella
- Park, Catherine
- Shaw, Adelia-Mrs. A. S. Luscomb
- Stone, Marion J.—Mrs. Roland V. Hendrickson
- Tobey, Gertrude M.—Mrs. Gertrude T. McGinness
- VanZandt, Vola-Mrs. T. R. Sterling

1929

20 Yr. Reunion Class-Addresses Lost Aguzzi, Rose-Mrs. Salvator Loudis Baker, Ruth A. Barber, Ruth C. Bebout, Ethel S. Belden, Hazel E .- Mrs. Hazel B. Bush Bell, Marion S.-Mrs. Marion Bell Dewey Bennett, Susie-Mrs. Susie Balurdo Bohmwetch, Betty-Mrs. Elizabeth B. Spain Broumberg, Fred Burdick, Reginald Burke, Helen-Mrs. Helen Tighe Button, Eva-Mrs. Kenneth F. Bott Chevalier, Mrs. Amy Tillotson Coats, Velma E Mrs. Coiley, Mary Elizabeth-Mrs. Mary Eliz. Coiley Palmer Collins, Fred Collins, Genevieve Eades Mrs. Combs, Lois E. Cook, Edith F.-Mrs. Herbert H. Fouts, Sr. Cook, Marie W .- Mrs. Bradley Gormel Cornish, Catherine-Mrs. Catherine Wohlschegel Crozier, Wm. Cummins, Christine C.-Mrs. Christine C. Ostling Cummings, Milton F. Curtis, Alice Marion-Mrs. Marion Stewart Darling, Lillian M.-Mrs. Chester Brotherton DeBarr, Helen E.-Mrs. Alan F. Snow Deegan, Alice M.-Mrs. Alice D. McGivney DeGroat, Rosalie W .-- Mrs. Rosalie Werner Dolan, Anne Ernenwein, Mary Eliz. Eychner, Mabel E. Fay, Lois M.-Mrs. John Emmett Conners Finn, Hilda Flanagan, Margaret Fordham, Josephine M.-Mrs. Josephine Wilbur Gibson, Lucille-Mrs. Peter Young Griswold, Ruth-Mrs. Chas. E. Vermilve Guilfoyle, Margaret J.-Mrs. M. G. Lober Harris, Helen Mary Hartigan, Cecelia-Mrs. Merton G. Aiken Hefferon, Fred L. Hines, Florence-Mrs. Jas. E. Berean Holmes, Stella H.-Mrs. Stella H. Meade Ives, Myrtle E.-Mrs. B. Harrison Budlong

Johnson, Anna M.-Mrs. A. J. Havlis Johnston, Helen Keeler, Eleanor E.-Mrs. A. D. Passinger Kelley, Marie A. Kenna, Mary Eliz. Kenney, Josephine F .- Mrs. Josephine French Kenyon, Mildred Kessler, Barbara-Mrs. Barbara K. Walter Kile, Teresa O.-Mrs. Teresa Whittier Kimberly, Edna - Mrs. Chas. E. Welch, Jr. Koebel, Clara-Mrs. Russell Cobb Koen, Maud J.-Mrs. Maud Fallon Lamson, Esther E .- Mrs. Esther Cuddeback Lazarus, Sylvia C .-- Mrs. David L. Frisch Leishear, Margaret E .- Mrs. Margaret Clark Lella, Marian Lloyd, Marjorie J.-Mrs. Marjorie L. Keifer Loosman, Pauline-Mrs. Robert E. Doran Lounsbury, Margaret-Mrs. John H. Reineking Lynch, Marguerite-Mrs. Chas. Weidenfeller Mahar, Cecelia Mildred Martin, Dorothy B .- Mrs. Eugene Albert Smith McCarthy, Alice Clare-Mrs. Merrill A. Phillips McCarthy, Florence C. McChrien, Anita Jeanne McGarr, Elizabeth-Mrs. Elizabeth Barry McGraw, Helen Margaret McKendrick, Genevieve E. McKevitt, Elizabeth-Mrs. F. J. Oberhausen Mee, Kathryn E.-Mrs. Wm. E. Barney Miller, Alice Mae Miller, Dorothy M.-Mrs R. W. Hughes Miller, Jerome P. Mineah, Ruth L.-Mrs. L. A. Nottingham Mitchell, Mary-Mrs. Clifford White Morley, Ruth S.-Mrs. John Roberts Nixon, Dorothy-Mrs. D. N. O'Hara O'Brien, Agnes S .- Mrs. Richard McGrath Onisko, John Ormiston, Doris M.-Mrs. Doris O. Gibson Pardee, Lucy B.-Mrs. Virgil Barber Partridge, Cora E.-Mrs. G. Creighton Lusk Perkins, Beatrice-Mrs. Joel W.

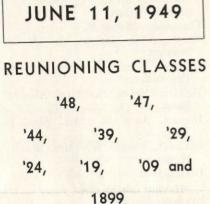
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- Perry, Mae Evelyn-Mrs. Mae P. Schultz
- Powers, Rena-Mrs. Thos. Brogan
- Putnam, Angie-Mrs. Orville G. Haggerty
- Rands, Mabel F.—Mrs. Delmar Wilson
- Record, George
- Reig, Willis R.
- Reinhardt, Carol M.
- Rooney, Mary K.
- Rounselle, Leon
- Scanlon, Cecile R.—Mrs. Cecile S. Jones
- Scott, Dorothy
- Shapley, Anna Roberta
- Shaw, Margaret-Mrs. Wells W. Wood
- Shaw, Minnie M.—Mrs. Wm. C. Roblee
- Shearer, Mary P.—Mrs. Clarence D. Wilcox
- Sheldon, Ethlean-Mrs. Roland Kinney
- Sheridan, Agnes-Mrs. Clive Van Fleet
- Slagel, Elizabeth M.—Mrs. Eliz. S. Stinard
- Sliter, Alice H.
- Smith, Dorothy M.—Mrs. David R. C. Smith
- Spencer, Frances-Mrs. Frances A. Gould
- Sprague, Kenneth
- Stewart, Ruth M.-Mrs. Ruth S. Massad
- Storing, Adella M.—Mrs. Adella M. Muise
- Storing, Ruth G.—Mrs. L. Raymond Cone
- Sturdevan, Luella-Mrs. Lawrence Olds
- Taylor, Annabelle-Mrs. Chas. M. Schwitter
- Thompson, Grace I.—Mrs. Donald A. Freeman
- Toulson, Marjorie-Mrs. John R. Owens, Jr.
- Turney, Katharine P.-Mrs. Frederick Miller
- Vill, Margaret C.
- Vining, Reginald W.
- Warren, Lela-Mrs. R. Peltz
- Weig, Mildred L.—Mrs. Andrew W. Mitchell
- Werth, Frances-Mrs. Frank S. Nicolle
- Wheeler, Elizabeth—Mrs. Fred Collins
- Whipple, Vera C.
- White, Alice J.—Mrs. Alice W. Mc-Carthy
- Wildrick, Doris-Mrs. Roy S. Morris Williams, Arnold B.
- Williams, Lucille M.—Mrs. Chas. G. Adams
- Young, Ethel N .- Mrs. A. M. Ferner



Eileen M. Winchell: Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association of C.S.T.C., whose resignation, effective April 1, 1949, has been accepted by the Executive Board of the Association.

ALUMNI DAY



NOTICE:

With this issue, a large number of subscriptions to *The Cortland Alumni* expire for the coming year. If this copy contains a renewal blank, it is to call your attention to this expiration. Will you kindly send your renewal in soon, so as to keep the records of the office straight? It will be sincerely appreciated.

The Editor

With the resignation of Mrs. Eileen Winchell, Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, this month, the alumni of Cortland State Teachers College are losing a most valued officer and the students an understanding friend.

Mrs. Winchell assumed the duties of Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association in September '45 following Miss Bessie Park who established the Alumni Office and started the Alumni Magazine. Faced with a variety of duties in her new office, Mrs. Winchell has capably administered their many details, finding time as well to listen to the needs of students.

Her intellectual qualifications as a former teacher of English have enabled her to edit the quarterly issues of the Alumni Magazine most successfully, continuing its policy of reporting college affairs as well as alumni news. Her more recent experience with radio work and her keen interest in student problems have fitted her admirably for representing the alumni in public.

The officers and committees of the Alumni Association have appreciated Mrs. Winchell's tact and resourcefulness as she guided their activities, especially at commencement time, while returning alumni have been made to feel at home by her friendly welcome. In other towns where she has visited alumni groups, a renewed interest in the college has been aroused.

While the members of the Executive Committee regret exceedingly Mrs. Winchell's leaving, they extend to her every good wish for her future work in the field of radio. April, 1949.

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CAMPUS NOTES

Theme for this year's Beta Frolics was "Campus Daze;" all the sororities and the Delta Kappa members took part, with Beta performing between the skits. Admission was free, with the customary donation going to the Children's Home in Cortland, as a gift from C.S.T.C. It was March 4.

Dr. DWIGHT THOMAS of the English Department of the faculty is the co-author of the book entitled "Reading Poetry; An Introduction to Critical Study" with Stuart Gerry of the University of Wisconsin. This book, recently published, is now in use in 65 colleges and universities, and is designed to improve the student's ability to read, understand and criticize poetry.

Dr. CHARLES F. STUBE, formerly faculty member, and now a resident of Hendersonville, N. Car., will be the Commencement speaker in June at Yorktown High School, in Westchester county, where George Candreva '47 is teaching social studies.

Word has come to the Alumni Office that Dr. E. LAURENCE PALMER '08 of the faculty at Cornell University will be presented a Fellowship by the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences, in May. Dr. Palmer is the immediate past president of the Cortland Alumni Association. * * * *

Miss Faye Corey and Miss Dorothy Hanlon of the faculty, assisted by Jane Finley '52 and Jeanne Francisco '49 have organized a committee for Faculty-Student teas once a week, held in the student lounge. These teas are informal, and are held each Wednesday afternoon, from four to five.

Earl Keefer (Dick) was chosen as second string fullback on the United Press All Upstate New York football squad. A member of the class of '49, Keefer was the leading ground gainer for the Big Red; he carried the ball 113 times picking up a net total of 441 yards, for an average of close to four yards per trip. He placed second to Jack Brennan '51 in total offense for the team.

FRANCIS J. MEONCH was in Albany for several days in early March, serving on a committee which has been set up to evaluate a study made by the State Education Department Research Division in 1945 and '46. The original study, divided into three sections, was to appraise the health and physical education program of the state; Mr. Moench served on the committee to evaluate the study of physical education teaching.

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At a recent meeting of the College Board of Visitors, Mr. LOUIS FOLMER, attorney of Cortland, was elected president, to succeed the late Dr. R. P. Higgins. Mr. Justin Corcoran has been appointed as a Board member, succeeding Dr. Higgins.

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At the request of the Director of the Cleveland Health Museum, a working model of a human heart, constructed by Dr. R. DEAN SCHICK of the science department of College faculty will be on display at the museum, in Cleveland. It is one of a series of working models made by Dr. Schick, which include models of the human eye and ear.

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Miss RUTH WALBERG of the faculty won first prize for painting in the 23rd annual exhibition of the Associated Artists of Syracuse. It was an oil entitled "Construction." She also won honorable mention in the graphic arts section for her engraving "Self Portrait."

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Two young ladies from Puerto Rico are on campus this year, taking a year's course at Cortland State as part of the Good Neighbor policy. They are Conchita Maymi Marti and Nora Algarin, and they came to the United States after earning scholarships from the Department of Education in Puerto Rico, to learn American customs and ways of life.

Having taught three years each in elementary schools in their native land, Nora and Conchita find the subject matter is similar, but the classes are very different. The large classes, lecture courses and one final test at the University of Puerto Rico which they attended for two years are very different from C.S.T.C.'s smaller classes and much outside reading. At their University the chancellor is rarely seen by the students, and the teachers and professors seldom know or recognize the students in their classes. If a student maintains an A or B average, his tuition is automatically paid and his only expense is for a few fees. Working one's way through college is practically unheard of in Puerto Rico.

The girls especially note the different custom of dress on campus; bluejeans and slacks would never be seen in their homeland on campus; South of the Border girls wear high heels, flowers in their hair and even party dresses to school. They, and their teachers are judged by the extent of their wardrobe.

Basketball is the favorite sport at the University of Puerto Rico, and they have many social activities such as concerts, plays and radio programs, as well as sports. Of course, sororities, fraternities and W.A.A. are a large part of their college life. They report the boys as very handsome and very jealous, and dating is very restricted.

Conchita and Nora like Americans and their way of living, and they like Cortland and C.S.T.C.

Married: on Saturday, February 5, 1949, Miss M. Alta Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hayes of Richfield Springs, N. Y., and Robert R. Hertel of Cortland, assistant librarian at Cortland State. The bride has been the secretary for Dr. Donnal V. Smith, president, until her resignation in January.

The wedding took place in the Methodist Church at Richfield Springs, and in the wedding party were Philip S. Jennison of the college faculty and Benjamin J. Comi, financial secretary at C.S.T.C., both of whom acted as ushers.

Following a wedding trip to Bermuda by plane, Mr. and Mrs. Hertel are at home at 55 Clayton Ave., Cortland.

Fay Welch Marries Cortland Alumna

Miss FRANCES M. WIGHAM '46 and Fay Welch of Syracuse were married on Wednesday, April 13, 1949 at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Kenneth H. Maine in Edmeston, N. Y.

The bride is a teacher of Health and Physical Education at the Sauquoit Valley Central School in Oneida county. The groom is a member of the faculty of the New York State College of Forestry at Syracuse University and Director of Tanager Lodge, a children's camp in the Adirondacks.

Mr. Welch is very well known to many of the alumni of Cortland State; for several years our students have gone to Tanager to get camp training, specializing in waterfront work, nature work and crafts. As a result of this training, a considerable number of Cortland graduates have been placed in responsible summer positions.

Did It Actually Happen?

The following story, never denied, has been handed down by tradition through the years, although it may be unknown to any of the alumni and to most of the students today at C.S.T.C.

In the last decade of the last century, a young man, not long out of college, came to Cortland to be present at the graduation of a cousin who had completed the old fouryear Normal course.

In the evening before Commencement, the four sororities, Agonian, Alpha Delta, Clionian and Theta Phi were holding open house in their adjoining club rooms located on the third floor of the old building which stood on the site of the present Court House. The club rooms were attractively furnished and their highly polished floors seemed to indicate that strict injunctions pertaining to dancing were not always strictly observed.

Where the faculty advisers were on this particular night has never been revealed. Perhaps some of them were there and the girls suspected they would be blind to some of the things they saw, and discreet about what they told.

As the spirit of the party was beginning to lag, the suggestion was made that some of the couples should begin to dance—but not before watchers had been placed at the head of the three or four flights of stairs to observe a possible upward approach of the principal and give a warning signal of such approach.

This was one occasion when the girls picked their partners and kept them, too, since the men were in the minority. Surely at such a time a young man who *could* dance and *would* not must have felt like a heel, to stand among the girls longing to dance and not be able to secure any partners other than girl classmates.

At any rate, the young man featured in this story didn't want to feel like a heel and so, by participating in the dance, he became a party to the breaking of a rule of the school—of which fourteen years later he became the principal.

CLASS NOTES

1886

In Memoriam: FANNIE L. RAY-MOND; in Binghamton, N. Y., on March 14, 1949. Miss Raymond had been a teacher in the Binghamton schools for 42 years. She taught first in the Theodore Roosevelt School, beginning there in 1892, and then went to the Bevier Street School. She had taught five years elsewhere before going to Binghamton. From 1926 until her retirement in 1943, she taught social studies in the Junior High School there.

Burial was in Floral Park Cemetery.

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In Memoriam: LILLIAN P. BEACH of East Orange, N. J., following a short illness. Miss Beach died February 19, 1949. A native of Groton, N. Y., she was a first grade and industrial arts teacher in Newark schools for 41 years, retiring several years ago. She was a member of the Newark Teachers Association, the New Jersey State Teachers Association and the Retired Teachers Association. Burial was in the Groton cemetery. * * *

1902

In Memoriam: JOHN HART, in Dickinson Hospital, Northampton, Mass., on February 5, 1949, after an illness of considerable time. Quoting from the newspaper clipping sent in to the Alumni Office: "Prominently known as an educator who went far beyond the call of duty in giving his time and money unsparingly for the benefit of boys and girls in his schools, Mr. Hart has been principal of Hawley Grammar School for 37 years.

"Mr. Hart came to Northampton in the fall of 1908, and he began almost immediately to raise money by popular subscription for athletic equipment and a well-stocked playground. He gave freely of his own money and at no time asked the city to support his program financially. . . Never relaxing his interest in athletics for younger boys and girls, Mr. Hart gave his lunch hour time for development in basketball and was able thus to send many to high school well trained in advance.

"In 1918 Mr. Hart went to Rochester University for more study and he returned to Northampton with an idea for starting a club program in his school. One result of this is the famous Hawley Grammar Drum Corps, which has won many first and second prizes at the Eastern States Exposition. Mr. Hart raised \$8,000 for the corps."

The city's flags in Northampton flew at half staff the day of Mr. Hart's death.

Besides his wife he is survived by a sister NELLIE MARGARET HART (Mrs. John Kelly) '05 of Vernon, N. Y., and two brothers, also of Vernon.

1911

Married: on Saturday, February 5, 1949, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Syracuse, N. Y., by Rev. Martin J. Watley, FRANCIS L. KANE and Mrs. Marie Roche Kernan, widow of the late John Harold Kernan, of Syracuse.

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Married: August 28, 1948, by Rev. Lawrence I. Horan of Cortland, N. Y., MARJORIE COLBY Reagan, widow of the late Kenneth Reagan of Cortland, and Clifford R. Johnson, of Cortland. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson are living in Cortland, where Mrs. Johnson has been a teacher for several years.

1926

THELMA BALDWIN (Mrs. J. C. Evans) lives in Burlington, Vt., where her Scouting activities keep her "head over heels." She says they have 22 troops with over 400 Scouts, so it keeps her very busy. Her son, Jimmy, is in third grade and "growing tall."

1931

A visitor at Cortland State early in March was LEWIS S. MARKHAM, principal of the school at Ontario, N. Y.

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CHARLES BENNETT DALY earned his M. of Ed. degree from Boston University. He is now teaching at East High, Rochester, N. Y. During the war he spent two years in E.T.O. with the Combat Engineers Airborne Division. The Dalys have two children, Charles B., II, aged 5 and E. Maurene, aged 2.

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1939

Married: PETER KUCHINSKY and Miss Doris Duff, secretary to the superintendent of schools at Mineola, Long Island. The church wedding took place on the morning of February 26, 1949, at Freeport, L. I. Best man for the bridegroom was CARL MOLUSKY '39 of Merrick, L. I., and one of the ushers was TONY TESORI of the faculty of Cortland State. A reception was held at the Yacht Club, following the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuchinsky are living in their apartment on Babylon Turnpike, Roosevelt, L. I. He is teaching at Mineola High School.

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From DOROTHY ("Dotty") PARMAN Andrus: "Finally settled in southern California, as of July last. We like it in Riverside, and Bill should be permanently established here."

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Major and Mrs. Hugh J. Irish (JANET McGOWAN) have returned from Adak, Alaska, where Major Irish has completed a tour of duty as Commandant of the Marine Forces stationed there. They are now stationed in Washington, D. C., where he is assigned to Marine Headquarters in the Department of Plans and Policies.

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1941

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. David Parsons (VERA DUBARRY '42) of Medina, N. Y., a son and second child David Parsons V. They have a daughter, Jo Anne.

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1942 Born: to Mr. and Mrs. David

Phelan (IRENE WEGLINSKI) of Rocky River, Ohio, a daughter and second child, Ellen, in March, 1948.

NANCY CROSS is at San Rafael, Calif., where she is teaching.

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1947 Born: to HAL CHASE and JEAN BARBER CHASE '43, a son and first child, Timothy Douglas. Date: March 25, 1949. Hal is a member of the faculty at Oneonta State Teachers College.

MARY M. LEACH will again be at Windham - Ashland - Jewett Central School next fall, teaching physical education.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Wesley (NANCY STEVENS) of 114 Prospect St., Endicott, N. Y., a daughter Sharon Anne, on March 22, 1949, at the Ideal Hospital, Endicott, N. Y.

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1948

Married: on February 28, 1949, in Buffalo, N. Y., Miss Mary Lawton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart Lawton, and Leo Peter FROME II, of Buffalo.

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From PEG HARVEY, G. E. Class Secretary:

WINNIE FULLER and HELEN HUN-TER spoke in behalf of their Alma Mater at a teacher-recruiting meeting in Valley Stream, recently.

VIOLA BOTTLE, teaching in Ithaca, likes teaching, although she has 34 lively fourth-graders.

Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Mason (ISABELLE STOKER) of Genoa, N. Y., on November 10, 1948, a daughter, Audrey Ann.

CLEONE CROSSGROVE, who is teaching in New Berlin, N. Y., has an apartment with another C.S.T.C. alumnus, SHIRLEY PERKINS '43.

Latest "Footenote" is a 7¹/₂ pound son named Kevin, born January 10, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. John F. Crowley (REGIS FOOTE). You remember her "Footenotes" column in the Hilltop Press.

ANN NOLAN, teaching in Moravia, has taken on a Girl Scout troop and is an assistant leader.

Married: on December 28, 1948, at St. Mary's Church, Cortland, by Rev. Father Hurley, MARY O'CONNOR and Herbert Gates. The bride wore a royal-blue satin dress and carried a bouquet of white roses. Maid of honor was LORRAINE VAN CAESELLE, who wore powder-blue satin. A reception was held at the home of the bride, immediately following the ceremony. Among the C.S.T.C. alumni who attended were: HELEN ISAF '46, MARY MULLEN '46, EDITH STRUGLIA and MIMI STRYKER.

A recent note from JOHN F. MC-NEILL, at Teachers College, Columbia University, tells us that he will be teaching physical education in the elementary school system at Hempstead, L. I., next fall.

From JEAN CHAPIN, P.E., Class Secretary:

SUNNY COOK is coaching a girls' basketball team that plays prelim to the boys' games. They're pretty good, too. She'd like to hear from Cortland grads in her territory, which is Clarks Summit, Pa.

RUTH HACKETT is recuperating from a stay in the hospital, and is now at home. Hope you feel better, Ruth.

BILL GILCHRIST is in the army; when last heard from he was in Camp Pickett, Va. His address is: Co. F, 514th Regiment, 17th Airborne Division, Camp Pickett, Va. JOE DENTE is going to be married in June.

BARBARA KRAYKA Becker added one to her family, in February.

GLORIA DONLON is engaged to James McCormick of Johnson City, N. Y. He attends Scranton University.

From DORIS SNEDIKER Banfield comes the following item:

MARILYN KELLAM was married in Binghamton in October to William Mable. She received orders March 8th to join her husband, who is stationed in Japan. Kel is anxious to receive mail from Cortlandites, so drop her a line. Her address 'is: c/o Lt. William Mable A.O. 2059320, 35 Fighter Wing J.A.F.B., Box 400, A.P.O. 994, c/o P.M. San Francisco, Calif.

And that, kids, is the scoop for this issue. Keep those letters coming. Best.—CHAPE.

A nice letter from HUGH JACK came in from Hicksville, N. Y. "I resigned from Hofstra on February 1st," he writes, "and was appointed to a new post at Wisdom Lane School, with a nice raise. By the way, JEAN ZAHN is teaching at the same school and naturally (being a Cortlandite) is doing a swell job.

"At present I am the only phys ed instructor in the new system, and next year we are having more instructors to teach in the two new schools. Building has started and they will be ready by September. . . . My wife and the two youngsters are all doing fine. Sandy, the older, is going to my school and is very thrilled about my being a teacher there!"

This summer, PATRICIA CHRISTY will be Sailing Counselor at Camp Trebor, Frysburg, Maine. In the fall, she will again be at Wetmore, Seymour and Bleeker Schools in Utica, N. Y., teaching elementary physical education.

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BETTY CLANCY is to be at Camp Wawokiye at Cutchogue, Long Island, this summer. She will be at Spencerport in the fall, returning there for her second year.

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FLORENCE SKILLMAN writes that she is planning a two-weeks hosteling trip into Canada, this summer.

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LORRAINE COOK is making plans to spend the month of August visiting in Texas.

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