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## Pneumonia Strikes President Corson on Coast Trip

**W**HILE on a trip to the Pacific Coast with Mrs. Corson which began in Carlisle on December 27, President Fred P. Corson was stricken with pneumonia and was a patient for ten January days in a Pasadena hospital. He went to Florida to recover from the effects of his illness; and at the same time his fifteen-year old son, Hampton, was a patient in the Carlisle Hospital recovering from a similar attack.

Dr. Corson went to California to attend the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges in Pasadena, and along the route to attend meetings of the Methodist College Presidents' Association and the University Senate, and to meet with various alumni groups.

The Dickinson Club of California feted him and Mrs. Corson at a dinner with 22 present in San Francisco on January 4, in what proved to be the finest party ever held by that group. During their stay in that city, President and Mrs. Corson were royally entertained by Guy L. Stevick, '85.

On the trip from San Francisco to Pasadena, an aggravating attack of acute bronchitis developed rapidly and three hours after his arrival in Pasadena, Dr. Corson was admitted to a hospital there, where he was immediately treated for pneumonia. His acute illness was brief and after ten days in the hospital he was discharged. He spent several days in California and then began his return trip to Carlisle, stopping a week in New Orleans to regain more strength.

He was in a weakened condition when he reached Carlisle on January 26 and his physician, Dr. S. S. Cowell, ordered him

### Heads College Presidents

President Fred P. Corson was elected president of the Association of Pennsylvania College Presidents at the annual meeting held in Harrisburg on January 31. He succeeds Dr. Clement C. Williams, of Lehigh University, who was elected vice-president.

Dr. William P. Tolley, Allegheny College, was elected secretary and Dr. Norman E. McClure, Ursinus College, was named treasurer. Dr. Levering Tyson, Muhlenberg College, was named to the executive board.

Governor Arthur H. James, '04L, made a brief address of welcome at the meeting.

to the Carlisle Hospital for observation and treatment. He was there three days and quickly gained strength. Upon his doctor's orders, he left Carlisle with Mrs. Corson on February 1 for Palm Beach, Fla., and they will return the end of this month.

During their absence, their son Hampton contracted grippe, which has been prevalent this year, and it developed into pneumonia, though not of a serious type. The young lad quickly responded to treatment in Carlisle Hospital, though he was kept there by Dr. Cowell as a precautionary measure during the absence of his parents. His aunt, Mrs. Helen Franckle, Dr. Corson's sister, kept a watchful eye over him during his illness.

## Rebuilding of Bosler Hall is Nearing Completion



THE NEW FRONT OF BOSLER HALL

From a photograph taken February 15, 1941 when canvas coverings were over part of the front door.

**W**ITH the removal of scaffolding early this month, the transformation of the campus in the rebuilding of Bosler Hall, which is nearing completion, was revealed. The new harmonies of color and design can best be seen when standing near the 1900 gate where the eye can catch the Alumni Gymnasium, Bosler, Old West, Tome and East College.

While the weathering by time of the newly quarried limestone used in the rebuilding of Bosler will be needed to blend the new structure with the older buildings, the change which the architects have wrought in the campus is a delightful one, and it is now apparent that the campus is

more beautiful than it has ever been before.

Beauty alone will not be served by the new buildings, which will probably be fully ready for use next month. At the present time, the library is in use, with access to it by a rear door at the College Street end. Reference reading rooms in Old West, which have been used since the rebuilding started, are still in use and will be until the new building is completed.

Until a new auditorium building is erected in the Mooreland Tract, the old chapel will be used though it is scarcely recognizable as the old room. The high,



A SIDE VIEW OF BOSLER HALL  
From a photograph taken at High and College Streets.

round-fronted platform with the ante-rooms on each side have been removed and a new and much smaller platform will be built. Henceforth, the faculty will sit at the side of the platform and not on it as has been the custom of the years.

The greatest change in the chapel is in the ceiling. The large wooden rafters, which were the hiding places for alarm clocks and various devices in many chapel periods, are no more. In their place is a lower, curved ceiling of a new plastic, a guarantee that unlike the old chapel, the new will have good acoustic properties.

The balcony of the old chapel has been removed and a new one built with a seating capacity for about 100 persons.

Entering the building from the campus, there is a large loggia with the entrance to library directly ahead, and two main stairways at the left and right. These stairways run to the third floor.

Above the loggia on each of the three floors is a large room in the top of the

T-shaped part of the new part of the building. In the lower parts of the top of the T, there are even larger rooms on each floor, and likewise two such rooms in the basement. Except for the librarian's office on the first floor, the exact use of each of these rooms has not been determined. They will, however, provide for the Dickinsoniana room, a music room, a museum, a faculty room, and several reference rooms. One or two of these will be furnished with study cubicles.

A shaft has been built from the basement to the roof in the larger rooms on the left of the entrance to provide a fire-proof safe in each room. This is the type of vault which stood the test in the Denny Hall fire of 1904.

Toilet rooms and various storage rooms, including a library stack room are in the basement. There is also an elevator shaft, where an electric lift of some type will be installed later.

The structure which will be known as

the James W. Bosler Library replaces a building of that name which was begun in 1884 and completed in 1885, and was built of brown stone. The rebuilding cost will probably total \$125,000, of which the trustees of the college have given \$25,000.

When this amount was pledged by the trustees more than a year ago, authorization was given for the rebuilding and William W. Emmart, Baltimore architect, was commissioned to prepare the plans. It was Mr. Emmart who designed Memorial Hall, the McCauley Room and the Alumni Gymnasium. The project has been carried forward by a building committee composed of Boyd Lee Spahr, president of the Board of Trustees, President Fred P. Corson, Samuel M. Goodyear and Gilbert Malcolm with much of the active supervision detailed to Roy R. Kuebler, superintendent of grounds and buildings. The general contract for the work was awarded to Ritter Brothers, contractors of Harrisburg, Pa.

The new structure is as nearly fire-proof as modern skill can make it. That it

has been so recognized has already been revealed in the insurance rates granted for it. The new policy with its much greater face value will cost no more than the old one. But this will not be true of all costs for the larger building will add considerably to the annual college budget in heat, light and upkeep. The heating which is an entire new system will be supplied from the main plant in the old gymnasium. A new steam line was laid from the main plant to the new building during the summer and was a major operation because of the great amount of limestone which was encountered along the route of the proposed line. At the same time, all electric supply lines were laid in water-proof conduits.

With the coming of spring, changes will be made in the former walk from the 1906 gate at the corner of High and College streets to provide the proper entrance from that gate to the front of the building. Changes will also be made in the landscape planting about the building at that time, and will probably be completed before Commencement.

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

THE deficiencies of the liberal arts colleges are constantly being pointed out. Some of them are inconsequential so far as the larger outcome of education is concerned. They really make no difference. Their solemn repetition, however, is likely to shake the confidence of persons who are not equipped to weigh these assertions critically in the liberal arts colleges.

Some of our short-comings are serious and as a group the liberal arts colleges must do something about them if they wish to continue to be the dominant factor in higher education.

The most serious deficiency of our present undergraduate higher education is the lack of a unified goal toward which all institutions are striving and the absence of common methods and requirements for achieving it. The goals are many and the

curriculum differs for almost every institution.

The graduate schools in contrast to the undergraduate schools know exactly what they want to achieve and for the most part there is common agreement among them both as to what shall be required of the student and what he is expected to accomplish. In medicine, for instance, the same general basic requirements are to be found in all of the best medical schools. Therefore, the graduate schools are saved many of the problems which are now besetting the undergraduate institutions.

This lack of unity as to goal and method for achieving it has led to destructive competition among the colleges. It may be difficult to get an A.B. degree from some institution, but it is a comparatively easy thing to get an A.B. if you know where to



go. Americans are attracted by the "easy way" because the average American thinks a diploma means an education. The rank and file have not yet awakened to the fact that the value of an education in after life depends upon the amount of mental capacity, social adjustment and moral development it has produced.

At Dickinson College certain courses are required, certain methods followed, and certain standards insisted upon. The student and parent who know the real value of college appreciate these requirements. But the student just seeking a degree can go to an institution where none of these are required. And many are attracted by the "painless method" which is subtly offered by certain types of institutions.

Too often institutions jump at doing the popular thing rather than the thing that is really valuable in education. Short professional courses in undergraduate schools is a current example. In most business and professional fields there is common agreement that these courses are of doubtful value and often a real detriment to the youth starting in the particular business or professional field. The development of basic mental capacity on a broad educational foundation, these leaders say, is far better in the long run. Yet the average American parent and student are attracted by what they mistakenly think is an advantage in these undergraduate professional and business departments.

Until the colleges as a group come to a common agreement and develop a code of adherence to that agreement, each individual college must set up its own standard tested by the achievement of its graduates and stand by it. The alumni of these institutions can help the colleges to adhere to these standards by sending them students whom they have already convinced of the value of what the particular institution has to offer.

Dickinson College has done this and has resisted the passing fads in education which are just as futile as the passing fads in medicine. The justification of our position is to be found in what our

alumni are doing and in what the graduate schools think of our work.

To continue to do what we believe to be essential and to give what we believe is the best education, we must have our alumni and friends educating their youth and their friends with children preparing for college, in the Dickinson standard and the Dickinson way.

This is a serious statement of what we are facing and an earnest plea that each alumnus and friend will become a promoter of the Dickinson Idea among his or her friends.—F. P. CORSON.

### April 26 Will Be Guest Day

President Fred P. Corson has announced that Guest Day will be held on Saturday, April 26 when the College will entertain prospective students and their parents and competitive examinations will be held for Trustee Scholarships.

Alumni are urged to send the names and addresses of prospective students in whom they are interested to the college promptly so that invitations to attend may be sent, and also to plan to bring such students to the college on that day.

It should be remembered that advance application must be made by all students planning to take the examinations for Trustee Scholarships. It is required that each has presented his application and school record and has been accepted for admission to the college and also that a written application to take the examinations has been made to Dean E. A. Vuilleumier. For these reasons, the names of all prospective students should be given as soon as possible.

The program for Guest Day will likely follow that of recent years. The visitors will first register in Memorial Hall, Old West and will then be conducted about the campus for sight-seeing. There will be a special chapel program and a luncheon in the Alumni Gymnasium at noon when all visitors will be the guests of the college. During the day, opportunity will be given for interviews with officers of the college and faculty, and the examinations will be held in the afternoon. Fraternity social events will take place in the evening.

## Seek More Gifts and More Money in Sixth Alumni Fund Campaign

WITH the opening of the sixth annual Alumni Fund campaign, the first subscriptions to February 15 came from 93 subscribers and totalled \$1,432.66 as compared with \$1,401.00 from 126 contributors on the same date last year.

The general letter of the Alumni Secretary to all alumni carrying with it a subscription card and return envelope was mailed several days later than last year's letter, but each mail brings in returns from that letter. Alumni are asked to send in their subscriptions promptly and thus reduce the cost of follow-up letters.

Several of the class agents have already sent out their letters and these will all be mailed this month or early in March. Some of the class agents are planning to make personal calls in their own communities in this year's effort. It will be noted that no solicitation for the Alumni Fund will be made at any of the alumni club dinners, at Commencement or at any college event.

Announcement will be made at the Alumni Luncheon on Alumni Day of the total amount subscribed by the close of the campaign. The detailed report will be made in the July issue of the *Dickinson College Bulletin* which will list the names of all subscribers by classes and give the total amount subscribed by each class. The amount of individual subscriptions will not be published.

A larger corps of workers has been enlisted for 1941 than ever before. Two class agents, one of them a co-ed, has been appointed in the classes from 1920 to 1940 inclusive, while one agent will care for all the earlier classes. While this has been done to lighten the work of the agents in the larger classes, it is mainly for the purpose of increasing the number of contributors.

No announced goal for 1,000 subscribers has been set this year, but President Fred P. Corson, chairman of the fund, has pointed out the need for in-

### First Gift From Africa

The first contribution to the 1941 Alumni Fund campaign came from the Rev. Thomas B. Brinton, '13. He is stationed at the Methodist Mission, Sandoa, Belgian Congo, Africa.

His letter came in the later part of the past summer with a remittance for the 1941 campaign.

creasing the amount given over the usual \$10,000 and for the addition of many new gifts. In his letter, he stressed this need "for added costs for the completion of Bosler Hall and rising expenses" as well as for financial aid to students and an addition to the endowment of the Library Guild. Not less than \$750 each year is allotted to the Library Guild.

The record of the Alumni Fund for the past five years is as follows:

1936—549 gave	\$11,189.92
1937—640 gave	\$12,035.19
1938—613 gave	\$ 9,636.62
1939—658 gave	\$10,282.67
1940—664 gave	\$10,325.81
Total	\$53,470.21

In his letter to the alumni, President Corson pointed out that \$53,470.21 has been given in the past five years and that during those years \$3,750.00 was added to the Library Guild and \$56,287.50 granted to students in the form of scholarship-loans.

As has been true in all other years, the allocations of the money contributed will be made at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in June.

Apparently, some alumni are confusing the Alumni Fund and membership in the General Alumni Association. The Alumni Fund seeks annual gifts for col-

lege purposes as indicated in this article. Membership in the General Alumni Association is in three classes and covers the subscription to the DICKINSON ALUMNUS, the right to vote for Alumni Trustees and members of the Alumni Council, and for carrying on the work of the alumni body.

An alumnus should be a contributor to the Alumni Fund and also a member, either Life, Annual or Class, in the General Alumni Association. Life Membership is \$40, annual membership is \$2 and class membership is \$1 for the first three years out of college.

## Trustees Hold Annual Mid-Winter Meeting

CONSIDERATION of the report of President Fred P. Corson and reports of officers and committees engaged the Board of Trustees at the annual mid-winter meeting held in the Union League, Philadelphia on December 14. The Executive Committee held a morning session and at noon Boyd Lee Spahr, '00, president, entertained the trustees at luncheon.

In his report, President Spahr proposed establishing the date for the founding of the College as March 3, 1773, a fuller account of which is given in a special article in this number of the DICKINSON ALUMNUS. It will be found on Page 10. The Trustees concurred in his proposal.

President Corson read a statement relative to the historical relation of Dickinson College and the Methodist Church which was unanimously approved, having been recommended to the Board by the Executive Committee. That statement is as follows:

"When in 1833 the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church paid the debts of Dickinson College, established an endowment for the institution and assumed responsibility for its affairs, the transfer of the institution from Presbyterian to Methodist auspices was effected without changing the original charter.

"Since that time, while the charter of the College provides that the trustees shall be a self-perpetuating body, due regard has always been shown for the original gifts of the Methodist Church and for the perpetuation of its influence in the College and its service to the College by the selection of trustees, a majority of the

Board always being members of the Methodist Church, and by the unbroken custom of electing the Resident Bishops of the Philadelphia and Washington Areas to membership on the Board of Trustees.

"This historic policy has always been observed and at present 22 of the 39 members of the Board of Trustees are members of the Methodist Church including three Bishops of the Church.

"The College has also recognized this relationship in the financial assistance it has given to worthy Methodist young people seeking a college education and especially to the children of ministers and to young men preparing for the ministry. Among the fruits of this relationship the College can point to more than 300 of its sons now members of Annual Conferences in the Philadelphia and Washington Areas of the Church.

"The relationship of the Church and the College has been kept vital and real by the desire and purpose of both groups and with a minimum of mechanics and technicalities.

"This statement of policy is adopted by the Board of Trustees in order that attention may be called to the historic relationship of the Church and the College and to indicate that the maintenance of this historic relationship is the settled policy of the Board of Trustees."

Other business considered by the Board consisted of hearing reports of officers and two special committees, the one named to consider ways and means of extinguishing the College's debt incurred in the erection of Bosler Hall, and another committee to act in a proposed financial campaign within the bounds of the Central Pennsylvania Methodist Conference.

## Trustees Set 1773 As Date of Founding of College

By *BOYD LEE SPAHR, LL.D.*  
*President of the Board of Trustees*

**T**HE question of priority of foundation among the early American colleges is largely one of sentiment, but it also has some practical importance in view of the fact that the order of precedence in academic processions at inaugurations and other convocations is always on the basis of seniority.

Dickinson has used as the time of its foundation the date of its charter granted by the Legislature of Pennsylvania September 9, 1783, under which it was incorporated and authorized to grant the customary degrees. The College has always asserted that it is the second oldest college in the Commonwealth, the oldest being the University of Pennsylvania.

The now established trend in academic circles is to use as the date of foundation the establishment of a grammar school or academy out of which the subsequently incorporated college developed. If in fact the incorporated college was the direct outgrowth of an earlier school and there was a continuity between them, there is a sound reason for adoption of the earlier date.

A few months ago the University of Pennsylvania celebrated its bicentennial. The basis of its beginning in 1740 arises from the fact that in that year a plot of ground in Philadelphia was conveyed to trustees for the erection of a building, in which the great Evangelist, George Whitefield, might preach. In the same conveyance there was also named a separate group of trustees to carry on a charitable school which, however, was not done. The building was erected, Whitefield preached in it a few times and after that it was used intermittently by several denominations. In 1749 the property was conveyed to new trustees for the purpose of conducting an academy and charitable school, in 1751 teaching actually began, and in 1755 the proprietors of Pennsylvania granted a charter to "the college, academy and

charitable school of Philadelphia," with power to the trustees to conduct a college and grant degrees, which charter is practically identical in its provisions with that of Dickinson. On this basis the University of Pennsylvania has established the year 1740 as the date of its foundation.

In the history of the University written by Professor Edward P. Cheyney in connection with the University's bicentennial, certain facts as to the foundation of other early American colleges are given. Dr. Cheyney points out that Harvard College celebrated its tercentenary in 1936, the basis of which is that in 1636 the General Court of Massachusetts passed a resolution to give, a year later, £200, toward a school or college and another £200 when the work of establishing it was completed, but that it was not until 1638 that alterations were made on a dwelling house, which became the first home of the college, teaching first began in 1640, and the charter was not granted until 1650.

Yale College was incorporated as a "collegiate school" in 1701, but did not establish itself at New Haven until several years later, following a wandering existence, presumably as an academy, at Branford and Saybrook.

The original of Princeton's charter of 1746 has never been located and while there is no reasonable doubt that it was granted, it was confirmed a few years later by a charter still existing.

As to all of these Dr. Cheyney remarks: "The accepted date of origin in each of these cases is a well chosen one, which there is no occasion to criticize. But the fact remains that in each case the accepted date is a conventional one and another might have been settled upon instead. All that historical accuracy can demand or indeed achieve is that the reason for the choice should be made clear."

The origin of Dickinson is fully set forth in Dr. Morgan's History, pub-

lished seven years ago. This may be summarized by the following statement of facts: In 1773 the Proprietors of Pennsylvania deeded to nine patentees in Carlisle land to be used for the erection of a grammar school, the grammar school was promptly erected and functioned under the principalship of James Ross until 1783. The College was chartered September 9, 1783, and upon the first meeting of the board of trustees, Ross, the principal of the grammar school, was elected Professor of Languages in the College. The work of instruction in the College began and was carried on in the grammar school building for twenty years. Seven of the nine original patentees of the grammar school became trustees of the College.

The Act of October 3, 1788 recites that Thomas and Richard Penn, late Proprietors of the Commonwealth, by patent dated March 3, 1773, had conveyed to nine grantees a lot of ground in the Borough of Carlisle, describing it, to hold in trust for the "purpose of keeping and maintaining a grammar school," that said trustees had "erected a house on said lot of ground for the purpose in said patent specified, in which house a grammar school was kept and taught;" that the College had been incorporated by the Act of September 9, 1783, and that the surviving trustees of the patent of 1773 and other inhabitants of Carlisle had presented a petition stating that the college trustees had at considerable expense erected buildings on said lot for the college, to which is attached "a very respectable grammar school, which is under the direction of the principal and under the immediate care of a professor of languages and assistant tutors." The Act then granted the title of the lot to the trustees of the College, the title being considered to be in the Commonwealth by reason of the confiscation of the proprietary lands after the Revolution. It will be noted that at that time, 1788, the College had been in actual possession of the grammar school building for five years. The reference in the Act of 1788 to the erection of a

building on the grammar school lot by the College was due to the fact that the College had practically doubled the size of the original grammar school building by an addition.

On the facts there is no doubt that the trust for the grammar school created by the grant of March 3, 1773, which trust was carried out, was the immediate and direct forerunner of the college charter of September 9, 1783, and on the basis of what now appears to be the accepted test, the College can legitimately assert the date March 3, 1773 as the time of origin of its educational foundation.

On presentation of the above facts to the trustees of the College at their last meeting on December 14, 1940, the trustees unanimously voted to adopt March 3, 1773 as the official date of the origin of the College. This date will hereafter be used in all documents where reference is made to the founding of the College. The College is therefore now in its one hundred sixty-eighth year and is the tenth oldest college in the country.

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### Clubs Planning Dinner Dates

With the dinner of the Dickinson Club of Atlantic City scheduled for February 24, two of the alumni clubs will stage dinners in March and others have not yet set definite dates.

The Dickinson Club of Trenton will hold its annual party on Friday evening, March 7 at 6:30 o'clock at Fischer's Tea Room. The price is \$1.25 per person. Reservations should be made to John H. Platt, Secretary, 476 West Hanover St., Trenton, N. J.

The Dickinson Club of Delaware will hold its second annual dinner in the DuPont Hotel, Wilmington, on March 25.

The Dickinson Club of Reading-Berks is considering a March date while officers of the Dickinson Club of Philadelphia are planning for an April dinner. The events of the Dickinson Club of Northern New Jersey and the Dickinson Club of Washington will be held in May.

## Sees Democratic Government Controlling Men's Lives

MODERN democratic government is ever reaching out to control more and more of men's social and economic lives. As it grows bigger, it may lose touch with the people from whom it stems. "In this unabating surge of bureaucratic aggrandizement," therefore, "our essential and continuing task is to provide procedures and techniques contributing to economy and efficiency which at the same time add new and more effective safeguards for individual liberty."

Thus writes Alpheus T. Mason, '20, professor of politics at Princeton University, in *Bureaucracy Convicts Itself*, published this month by Viking Press, New York, at \$2.50.

Professor Mason's latest book is an account of the now almost-forgotten Ballinger-Pinchot controversy in the Taft administration. It rests on the mountain of testimony taken before a congressional committee, on published and unpublished accounts of participants, and on personal interviews with the men concerned in what might have been an American *cause celebre*.

Glavis, a young investigator in the General Land Office, citing Secretary Ballinger's administration of public land grants in Alaska, in 1909 formally accused the Secretary of the Interior of conduct "indicating unfitness" to hold office. The Secretary was exonerated by the President and whitewashed by a congressional investigating committee, voting strictly on party lines.

The investigation did serve, however, to bring to national prominence Glavis' counsel, Louis D. Brandeis; and this is the origin of Professor Mason's interest in it. He is already author of two books on Brandeis, *Brandeis: Lawyer and Judge in the Modern State* and *The Brandeis Way*, and is now preparing a definitive biography of the great lawyer and jurist. *Bureaucracy Convicts Itself* is the picture of a lawyer in action as well as a chapter in American political history—for the Ballinger controversy led to the split in



ALPHEUS T. MASON

the Republican party which paved the way for the Democratic victory in 1912. It is more than this, too. It is the case study of a problem of democratic government.

Two issues were at stake in the Ballinger case. The one was the policy of conservation of natural resources. Ballinger's philosophy, Professor Mason quotes a recent commentator as saying, "justified and proposed the perpetuation of a policy of passing valuable natural resources from public to private ownership even though compliance with statutory requirements was technical and superficial rather than real and sincere. The other philosophy (that of Pinchot and Glavis) utterly rejected that policy on the ground that it led to monopoly and deprived the public of indispensable resources without adequate consideration in remuneration or service."

In the larger view—and this is the view Professor Mason takes—the case involved the paramount issue of administration in a democracy. The issue was between a power-group, represented by Ballinger, and disinterested intelligence looking for the general welfare, represented by young Glavis. And the former

invoked the bugaboo of "insubordination" to keep the latter in line. "In playing upon this disciplinary concept," writes Professor Mason, "the administration leaders were harking back, perhaps, unwittingly, to the notion of a sort of slave status, to the time when 'the king could do no wrong' and the serf could have no right, seemingly unaware that the great peril to modern government stems not from insubordination, but from a too easily complaisant obedience to the su-

perior will, even though that superior will be patently wrong, fatally misapplied."

Professor Mason's study is an analysis of an incident only; it offers no program. But the meaning of the Ballinger case is clear, that in the modern democratic state, its powers burgeoning, the liberties of the people are unsafe when those who administer their laws—and, indeed, those who obey as well—accept as right any policy which bears "the chief's" O.K.—W.J.B.

## Adds Interesting Material to Dickinsoniana Collection

SEVERAL letters of John Dickinson and James Buchanan and an interesting copy of the *Columbian Magazine*, of February, 1787, which contains an advertisement of Dickinson College, have recently been presented to the College by Boyd Lee Spahr, '00, president of the Board of Trustees, as additions to the ever-growing collection of Dickinsoniana.

The magazine prints on its inside cover a prospectus prepared at the order of the Trustees, and signed by General John Armstrong. It announces that the college building had 3 rooms for instruction, a library, and a room for the "philosophical apparatus," that the library contained 2706 volumes, that tuition was five pounds yearly, with a matriculation fee of 26 shillings, that there were 12 boarding houses in town for students; and it offered the assurance that "the greatest attention will be paid to the morals of the students by Dr. Nisbet and Dr. Davidson, who officiate in the Presbyterian Church on Sundays."

The Dickinson letter is written to a fellow lawyer concerning a case in which both were interested. The letters of James Buchanan are more interesting. The one is a list of Buchanan's obligations, which he prepared in 1853 on the eve of his departure to England as American minister; the other is written from London.

In this letter Buchanan complains that his friends have neglected him. "What I desire from my friends in Lancaster,"

wrote the lonely minister "is not that they should put themselves to the trouble of writing me formal letters; but merely that, currente calamo, they should give me the news in the most slip shod & familiar manner."

He then goes on to make an interesting picture of social life in the capital when the Parliament was sitting, of the dinners he must attend, the manners of the English, and finally of that perennial problem of American ministers to the Court of St. James—court dress.

"It is surely not becoming in the Representative of a Republic," Buchanan writes, "to wear a coat stiff with gold lace & embroidery, not to speak of other ridiculous & grotesque appendages. Besides, thank Heaven! he could not have his coat emblazoned with the Stars & orders of the Representatives of Royalty, & as for diamonds, but few American Ministers could afford to wear them unless hired for the occasion."

Buchanan went on to explain that it was his purpose "to wear a plain blue coat, just such as I wore in Lancaster except the color, & as they are desirous I should have some badge about me of my official character, I may, instead of plain gilt buttons, wear a common United States button with the impression of the Eagle." But, he assured his correspondent, though he did not anticipate any difficulties in the matter of his dress, still he was "not yet out of the woods."

## Believed to be Youngest Postmaster in United States

Richard Henry Lindsey, '39, who holds the postmastership at Pine Grove Furnace, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, is believed to be the youngest postmaster in the United States. He is 22 years of age and was recently named to succeed his father, who died some time ago.

In January, he was given a rating by the investigating postal inspector of 98.2 per cent.

He was born at the Carlisle Indian School, where his father, the late Searight F. Lindsey, was employed at the time of his birth. Following his graduation from the Carlisle High School in 1935 where he was a member of the football team and on the staff of the school paper, he entered the college. At Dickinson, he became a member of S.A.E. fraternity and throughout his four years as a student was a member of the football squad and a member of the Greek Club. He was graduated with the A.B. degree in 1939.



RICHARD HENRY LINDSEY

### Michigan Alumni To Meet

A plan to organize a Dickinson Club of Michigan will be considered at a get-together meeting of alumni living in that state which will be held at the Michigan Union in the city of Ann Arbor at 1 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, March 22. Plans for the event are being formulated by Roscoe O. Bonisteel, '12, attorney of Ann Arbor and by two Ann Arbor Dickinsonians he has asked to assist him, Mary Garland Wark, '23, and Wendell LaCoe, '27.

Alumni Secretary Gilbert Malcolm will attend the luncheon meeting and assist in the formation of the group when he will also suggest objectives for the future.

### Buys Dickinson Birthplace

The birthplace of John Dickinson has recently come into the possession of a namesake and honorary alumnus of the College.

"Croisadore," the old Dickinson home on the Eastern Shore of Maryland was recently purchased by John Dickinson,

former assistant secretary of commerce of the United States, who received the honorary degree of doctor of laws from the College in 1934.

### Passes 90th Birthday

Wilbur Fiske Spottswood, '73, one of the founders of *The Dickinsonian*, for many years an outstanding member of the Kansas City, Mo., Bar Association, was honored by the Bar Association on the occasion of his 90th birthday, December 17.

Through its president, the Bar Association sent Mr. Spottswood a letter of congratulation, hailing him as the last of the older generation of lawyers who helped to build Kansas City and to establish the traditions of its bar.

After graduation from Dickinson, Mr. Spottswood for ten years was variously a teacher, chemist, and civilian employee of the Navy Department. He then studied law, practicing first in Philadelphia, and then, after 1887, in Kansas City. He is a member of Phi Kappa Psi.



## Becomes Deputy Attorney General of Delaware

ONE Dickinsonian succeeded another as deputy attorney general in charge of state taxes in Delaware on December 28, when Albert W. James, '27, recently elected mayor of Wilmington, Del. resigned and was replaced by W. Reese Hitchens, '28, '32L. And the appointment was made by a third Dickinsonian, James R. Morford, '19L, attorney general of Delaware.

Hitchens, who is a member of the law firm of Hering, Morris, James and Hitchens, which is headed by George C. Hering, Jr., '17, president of the General Alumni Association, has been a member of the Delaware bar since 1932. For a year after graduation from the law school he was a member of its faculty, teaching domestic relations and public utilities.

For a time Hitchens was in the Philadelphia law office of Ruby R. Vale, '96, collaborating and assisting in the preparation of a new edition of Vale's *Digest of Pennsylvania law*, an acknowledged authority in its field. He also collaborated with Mr. Vale in editing Vale's *Principles of Elementary Law*.

He is a member Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Woolsack, honorary legal fraternity, and a member of his county, state, and national bar associations.

James, whom Hitchens succeeds in the post of deputy attorney general, was president of the Wilmington City Council, when the mayor resigned to become governor of the state. The council elected him to fill out the unexpired term, and although there was no conflict in his duties, James resigned his state post in order to be able to devote his full time to municipal affairs.

### Writes Scientific Paper

Harold E. Adams, '38, is co-author of a paper "Interrelationships between Fluidity, Volume, Pressure and Temperature," published in the February 1941 *Journal of the American Chemical Society*.



W. REESE HITCHENS

### Law Professor Publishes Book

A volume of Annotations on Cases of Restitutions has been written by Professor D. James Farage of the Dickinson School of Law and published by the Pennsylvania Bar Association with which the author is affiliated.

The work parallels, section for section and paragraph for paragraph, the Restatement on Restitution published by the American Law Institute, the difference being that Professor Farage's volume covers only the Pennsylvania statutes and court decisions, while the Restatement includes statutes and decisions from the entire nation.

The book is the first such index to Pennsylvania cases of restitutions and it represents an incredible amount of research, since Pennsylvania records, unlike those of most states go back to pre-Revolutionary times, consuming 550 volumes.

Of interest to Pennsylvania legal circles because of its utility in many cases, the book has already won for its author many expressions of satisfaction and praise from lawyers, professors, and members of the judiciary.

## EDITORIAL

### Alumni Fund Tocsin

**T**HIS is the number of The Alumnus which sounds the annual tocsin for the Alumni Fund. Plans for this year's collections are far advanced. Class agents have been named and solicitation has been started in some classes.

The record of gifts to the Alumni Fund in the first five years is one which can be pointed to with pride. Likewise it is a challenge not only to continue the high marks already set, but to increase the number of contributors and the amount contributed this year and in the years to come.

As the last Bulletin issued from the President's Office emphasized, there is a greater need than ever this year for generous contributions by the Alumni and friends of the institution. Reconstruction of Bosler Hall, already revealed in its new apparel, as one of the most impressive structures on the campus, creates a spot where alumni contributions can be very helpful. College expenses are increasing as elsewhere in the nation. An Alumni Fund total that exceeds other years will be helpful.

These "incessant pleas" for money will not be resented by thorough going Dickinsonians. Aware of what is occurring in the world of education and the practices on the campuses elsewhere, loyal grads will continue to accept each year the date of the Alumni Fund call with a satisfaction and a gratitude born of affection and appreciation for the institution which enriched and equipped them to meet the challenge of the world beyond the campus walls.

### Present At Dinner

**W**ITH the Dickinson Club dining season in full swing there is evidence that, in the main, the officers of these twenty-one groups are alert and doing their bit for the home office in Carlisle. Yet another group, one in Michigan, may be organized before these words are read.

It is a proper thing that club officers should be active in arranging these annual dinners. It is just as proper that the club members support their officers by attending the dinners. Granted that endless dinners must be attended, not many of them have quite the same claim on the loyalty of an alumnus as that of his old college.

Among the vital chapters in any Dickinsonian's life, as of any college graduate, is that comprising his four years on a campus. That it has shaped his life more definitely than most factors is rarely disputed in candor. As a consequence the alumni club dinner which is one expression of that campus experience has a valid claim once a year on the graduate's time and interest.

Of course these dinners should be planned as something animate. A "dead" dinner is a ghastly thing, probably does the graduate and his college more harm than good. No nth degree of cleverness is required to provide an attractive program. But even if the committee "falls down," there still reposes on the graduate a kind of obligation to attend and participate.

It may be ungracious to allude to the fact but there are centers in the country where there are enough Dickinsonians to fill a stadium were the dinner held there, and the actual attendance is barely large enough to fill a telephone booth.

Again it is appropriate to say that the future of privately endowed institutions like Dickinson is more than ever in the hands of its alumni. Unless they have received so little from their campus years that they are unconcerned about its fate, their cooperation in every possible way is tremendously vital if their alma mater is to survive the difficult years which lie ahead. One way to cooperate is to make attendance at the annual dinner of your alumni club the imperative thing it really is.

## Teacher Surplus

**M**ANY Dickinson alumni share the elation of the alumni of similar institutions in Pennsylvania over the legislative prospect that the thirteen teachers colleges, once known as normal schools, will be reduced in number through the device of converting some of them into trade schools.

In offering such a bill to the Legislature, its sponsor noted that 5328 public school teacher certificates were issued in this state last year for 1115 teacher vacancies. That left, he said, 4200 men and women, all dressed up with no place to go.

The tragedy of the situation is that this surplus of teachers has been increasing each year. Manifestly the supply of teachers is greater than the demand and the work in this field done for long, long years by arts colleges like Dickinson is being duplicated at the expense of the taxpayers.

The associated group of liberal arts colleges of which Dickinson has been a member, has brought this anomalous condition to the public mind repeatedly. It has been a somewhat delicate role these privately endowed colleges play because of the implication that they can do the job of training teachers as well or better than tax-supported institutions. But if the situation must be discussed frankly, then the argument of the colleges is strong both pedagogically and economically.

The pertinent question is why should the taxpayers subsidize educational institutions to flood the market with surplus teachers when the demand for teachers can be met adequately without drawing on the public purse. No sugary sentimentalism should blind the public to the realities in this situation.

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## Ten Years Older

**D**ICKINSON'S TRUSTEES very properly have accepted the new formula for determining the date of an educational institution's founding and so officially assert that the life of Dickinson College began March 3, 1773, rather than with its incorporation by the Legislature, September 9, 1783.

One effect of this, obviously, is to add ten years to the age of the College, an institution 168 years old. That this claim will be recognized by other institutions in academic processions and like circumstances is not questioned because it follows, as the article in this issue of *The Alumnus* by Boyd L. Spahr, Esq., clearly shows, the method used by such venerable institutions as Harvard, Yale, Pennsylvania and Princeton as well as by some of the smaller colleges.

If the older educational institutions in this country are zealous in establishing their rightful position in the order of priority, it is to their credit. Date of an institution's founding does not of itself guarantee survival or quality of instruction, but no person is so stupid as to minimize the importance, sentimental or otherwise, of the years during which a college or university has been serving youth. Historical accuracy alone would justify the research necessary to determine the date at which an institution of higher learning was founded.

The new formula for tracing the genesis of a college puts Dickinson more securely than ever in the group of "colonial colleges" where it has long had a place.

## Student's Letters Picture Grammar School in 1836

A SIMPLE and unaffected picture of Carlisle and student life as seen by a student in the Dickinson Grammar School is contained in a small collection of letters written by William G. Stevens to his family, which has recently come to the College, through Prof. A. H. Gerberich.

Young Stevens, son of Edward M. Stevens, of Rockingham County, Va., was sent to Carlisle in January, 1836, to enter the Grammar School. Seven letters home between January 13 and July 7 tell, in brief student's fashion, of events at the Grammar School, of happenings in town, of himself.

Although it was not his parents' intention that he should prepare for college, Stevens was enrolled in the college course. By the close of the year's work he was hoping he might return to Carlisle in the fall to enter Dickinson. This hope, however did not materialize, and the boy did not come back to the College. Perhaps he went elsewhere to college; at any rate he returned to his home, where, some years later, he was editor of the *Rockingham Register* and was elected twice to the Virginia legislature. He died in 1861, at the age of 42.

The text of the letters follows:

Carlisle, January 13th, 1836.

Dear Father:

I arrived at Winchester on Wednesday about 12 o'clock. I inquired of the stage Agent which was the most Direct way to Carlisle. He told me that to go through Frederick Town was a little the Farther, but (as he thought) the best way. I therefore took the stage for Harpersferry, at which place I arrived the same night, and took the Rail Road the next morning for Frederick Town, at which place I arrived on Thursday evening, and was informed that the Stage for Gettysburg had started on the morning before. I therefore had to Wait until Saturday morning, at which time I started for Gettysburg, at which place I arrived on the same evening, and was informed that the stage Direct for Carlisle was discontinued. I therefore would have to go through Chambersburg

which was 30 miles farther, to which place I should start that night about 2 O'clock, (but I slept soundly all that night, staid there the next Day (which was Sunday) and Did not Start until Monday morning about 6 o'clock because the Roads were so bad that the stage could not Come in. I arrived at Chambersburg about 10 o'clock in the morning, and could not start for Carlisle until the next morning at which place I arrived that night, and found that Mr. Durbin [President Durbin, of the College] had gone to Philadelphia and would not Return under 2 or 3 weeks. I therefore Gave the letter to Mr. Rozell, [Rev. Stephen G. Rozell, principal of the Grammar School] who took me to Miss Hammond's at which place I am boarding; I am studying Latin, History, &c (or a preparatory course for College, which I did not understand I was to do). I thought I was to take an English Course. I am Well, and like Carlisle Tolerably well.

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

Mr. Edw'd. Stevens

### EXPENSES

Supper & Lodging at Woodstock ..	\$ .50
Breakfast at Middletown .....	.25
Fair from Winchester to Harpers Ferry .....	2.50
Supper, Lodging, & Breakfast at Harpers F. ....	1.00
Carrying Trunk from Harpers Ferry to Rail Road .....	.25
Fair to Frederick Town By Ditto ..	.94
5 meals & 2 Lodgings at Frederick T.	1.50
Fair to Gettysburg from Ditto ...	2.25
Supper at Emmettsburg .....	.25
2 Meals & 2 Lodgings at Gettysburg	.75
Fair to Chambersburg from Ditto ..	1.50
Cakes, &c. at Chambersburg of Which I made my Breakfast & Dinner ..	.25
Supper, Lodging, & Breakfast at Chambersburg .....	.94
Fair to Carlisle from Chambersburg.	2.00
Lodging & Breakfast at Carlisle ...	.37½
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	15.25½
1 Pocket Comb bought at Frederick T. ....	.9½
Bought Apples for .....	.3
Bought 1 Trunk Lock at Carlisle (as the Old one was broken) ..	1.8¾
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	\$15.56¾

Paid a boy for Carrying trunk to Boarding H. ....	.12½
Spent .....	\$15.69¼
	\$14.30¾
	\$30.00

I offered the \$14.30-¾ to Mr. Hey (my Teacher) as my Treasurer, But he told me that he would only take 14 Dollars (and I might keep the Remainder)

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

Mr. E. Stevens

Carlisle, March 12th, 1836.

Dear Father and Mother:

I received your letter of the 7th and I am glad to hear that you are mending.

Our Examination is drawing nigh, it will commence on next Friday the 18th, Twelve or thirteen days sooner than is stated in the Cataloge. I suppose we shall have a Vacation of Two or Three Weeks.

I am still Boarding at Miss Hammond's. I like my situation Tolerably well. Our boarding is as good as I can expect, But there is rather to many Boys in a room, there is seven in the Room in which I stay. But it will be better in this respect next session, as she intends to remove into another House where the rooms are smaller.

I have not become acquainted with Mr. Keppler's Family, But I suppose they are the same Family with whom you are acquainted.

Two schollars have been dismissed from the school since I have been here.

A great number of the students will go home this vacation.

Rev. John Rhodes who Formerly travelled Rockingham Circuit preached here last Sunday, his son is now in College.

My expenses since I have been here including Boarding, Books, &c. is about 25 Dollars.

Write immediately on the Receipt of this.

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

I am well.  
To E. & E. Stevens

N. B. Write longer Letters!! any thing will be interesting.

WM. G. S.

Carlisle, April 2nd, 1836.

Dear Father and Mother:

I received yours (By Jacob) of March 29th. I am glad that you are mending.

I spent a few hours today with Rev. Wm. H. Enos at Mr. Kepler's, he came to Carlisle on his way to Shippensburg last Thursday, and in consequence of the stages being as crowded, was unable to leave. From him I learned, with great surprise, that Cousin Elizabeth Hopkins was married to Mr. Lipscome, By him I was also informed that Mr. Lipscome would travel this year not very far from Carlisle.

We have had a vacation of two weeks and still have until the eleventh of April at which time the session commences.

As to naming my brother George Washington: I have objections. I would prefer George Cookman, who is now stationed in Carlisle, and whom I suppose you Know to be an eminent Methodist Preacher, or Norval Wilson. But Perhaps you have a better name than either of these for him. I wish you to let me know in your next what you have determined to call him.

George HERNSEBERGER sends his best Respects to you.

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

E. & E. Stevens

N. B. A few days since I sent to you Mr. Emory's [Professor Robert Emory, of the College?] address, let me know whether you have Received it.

I suppose I will have to buy summer clothes here. The only request I have to make, is that you answer my letters as soon as you receive them, as the delay of your last caused great uneasiness to me.

Carlisle, April 2nd, 1836.

Dear Brothers.

Perhaps it will entertain you to give you a brief Description of A Woolen Factory

situated in A small village about 6 miles from Carlisle called Paper Town, [now Mt. Holly] and a view of the streets and Public buildings of Carlisle.

Last week a company of about fifteen students walked out to see the factory—it is a large brick house, situated right at the mountain. In the first story we saw 6 Large Carding machines carding wool and about 100 Spindles, for spinning it. In the second we saw 12 Looms which run by water and are attended by 6 women, in the same were various other machines, the names of which I do not know. The third story was filled with Reals and other machines to wind and spin yarn. In the fourth story we saw twenty looms worked by as many men, who weave the most beautiful Carpets I ever have seen. [Kidderminster Carpets were made at Mt. Holly—Ed.] The whole of these machines were in operation and were certainly the most splendid sight I ever saw.

Carlisle is a very old looking town, containing about three thousand inhabitants. It is situated in a very level and Beautiful Country. It contains thirty stores, nine Churches, the names and situations of which I give you in the plan of the streets, One Bank, six or eight schools, ten taverns, about five Hundred Houses, and a great number of mechanicks. [He enclosed a diagram of the streets of Carlisle, which cannot be reproduced here.]

I should like to see you all very much, particularly my youngest Brother.

WM. G. STEVENS.

Jacob, John, Joseph, Lucy, & Edward Stevens.

(I am well) I often think of you all.

Carlisle, May 2nd, 1836.

Dear Father:

I received yours of 28th April, after a period of more than two weeks from the time I wrote, which I think is rather to long a time; I always write immediately on the receipt of yours, and I would be glad if you would do the same, as it gives me great satisfaction to hear from you. I do not know precisely what time the session ends, but I suppose it will end near

about the time mentioned in the catalogue; at which time we shall have a very strict examination. The Principal (Mr. Roszell) left here (Sunday) yesterday morning, in search of Four Pupils who ran away from the Grammar School. They reside in Philadelphia, and I believe he is determined to follow them to their homes; (as they had little or no excuse for going away). On last Friday we had a very hard shower of Rain, which was followed by a very high wind which blew a very large and Beautiful Market House entirely down, which will be a very great loss to Citizens.

The weather for a few days has been very warm. (It is now as much to warm, as it was to cold a few days ago).

I shall have to buy a few summer clothes, say two Pair Pantaloons, Two Roundabouts, (as the one which I brought is entirely to small) and one waist coat. The whole I suppose will cost ten or fifteen Dollars, making and all. I expect the money with my Treasurer is getting scarce, as I have paid this day \$33.75 for my board etc., since I have been here. Then my Books, Hat, etc., will not leave much.

I have nothing more to write, But Remain

Your son

WM. G. STEVENS.

I am well.

(As you will see from the following I have nothing, scarcely, to write.)

Carlisle, May 16th, 1836.

Dear Father:

I received yours of May 10 and am glad to hear that you are all well; It appears to me to be a great while since I have seen Mt. Crawford [his home in Rockingham County, Va.]. It seems as if I have lived almost all my life in Carlisle. There has been several Fires in Carlisle since I have been here. A stable was burned down just a few days before I arrived, it was rebuilt, and again burned down a few days since. One or two horses together with a number of Hogs were burned. Numerous conjectures have been made concerning the origin of the fire, some suppose it to have

been set on fire, others suppose that it caught from a box near the stable, into which hot ashes was emptied. The College Roof caught on fire from a spark from one of the Chimneys, but it was immediately extinguished by one of the students, without injury.

As I have nothing more to write, I will now give you an account of my expenses. When I come home I will give an account of every cent I have spent, as I have kept a book for that purpose.

Money Spent	
Books .....	\$ 7.12½
Hat .....	4.00
Board .....	33.75
Summer Clothes, etc. ....	19.07½
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	\$63.95
Spent .....	\$63.95
Deposit with Treasurer .....	54.00
Balance .....	\$ 9.95
(which I owe to the Treasurer)	

Money not Spent	
Board, etc. from the 28th April to end of Session, which is about 11 weeks at 2.12½ cts. week.	about \$24.00
Balance .....	9.95 Due to Treasurer
Treasurer's Commission @ 3¢ .....	3.00 about
To go home .....	13.05
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	\$50.00

Perhaps this will be sufficient, but I rather think not, as it cost me \$15 to come, however if it is insufficient, you can send more at the close of the session.

WM. G. STEVENS.

My summer clothes cost \$13.35—materials \$7.85, making \$5.50. The \$19.07½ marked Summer Clothes, Includes, A Stock, Handkerchief, mending shoes, &c., &c.

(I am well).

Excuse the manner in which this is written as I have done it Hastily.

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

I wish you to preserve my Reports until I come home.

Wm.

Carlisle, June 16th, 1836.

Dear Mother:

I received yours of June 8th today and am glad to hear that you are all getting well. I should like, very much, to see that *Beautiful Boy* of whom you speak. *If he is prettier than myself he must be Beautiful*, but if he is, he must be prettier than his Name, "*Harrison Harris*."

I suppose from your letter, that Father will not come to Carlisle this fall. I should have liked it very much if he had have come down. It will be about thirty miles farther to go by Baltimore, but to go that way we shall have about one Hundred miles Railroad, whereas to go through Fredericktown we shall have but fifty, which I think will be equal to the difference in the distances. If I go through Baltimore, I will of course, go to Cousin Catherine Hopkins—if I can find where she lives. Do you design that I shall come back to Carlisle next session—if so, I can enter College and take an English Course. To go through a Regular Course of Latin and Greek [sic] it would take four years. But some of the students of the Junior class have told me that if it was to be done over they would take only an English Course, as it does not take one half of the time, and they think would be equally beneficial. I should like for you to let me know in your next whether I am to come back or not, about seventy will enter College out of the Grammar School this fall.

Mr. Roszell is again gone after Elopers, four started yesterday at noon all of whom went to different directions, one to Baltimore, one Philadelphia, one to Germantown, one to Pottsville. It is therefore impossible for him to catch them all. *This beats all places I ever heard of*, for Boys to run away, as these make *eight* who have gone since I came, and for no other reason than that they would not get their Recitations and were whipped—as they were very small, not more than 12 or 14 years of age. I suppose Mr. Johnston is still teaching school at Mt. Crawford. I expect we shall have some fine time before the session closes, the election of Union Philosophical Society, and the election of

### Four More Lifers

Four new subscriptions for Life Membership in the General Alumni Association, raising the total to 261, have been received since December. The roll of Lifers will be published in the May number of the DICKINSON ALUMNUS and any new subscriptions should be mailed before May 1.

Albert M. Bean, '10, county superintendent of schools in Camden County, New Jersey, became a Lifer in December and on the last day of the year a check was received from Charles S. Williams, '26, attorney of Williamsport, Pa.

Two co-eds became Lifers when Eleanor M. Swope, '37, of Harrisburg, Pa., and Mrs. Anna Makibbin Preble, '25, of Camp Hill, Pa., added their names to the growing list.

the Junior Class will take place in a few weeks. Nothing more.

Your Son  
WM. G. STEVENS.

Dear Brothers & Sister—

I have Recd. but one letter from you (by Jacob) but I suppose you are all going to school to Saml. Johnson. I thought when I went to school to him, that it was none of his business whether I got to school in the morning at 8 O'Clock or not, but here (I think) it is so much the teacher's business that if we are not at school, when the Roll is called, we stay in all day Saturday. We therefore are punctual to the time. I think when you come here you will find that you most study Just about *four times* as much as you do at Home, but if I come back next session I will enter College where there is no staying in, but what is worse, a bad report if you do not know your recitations. I often think of you especially *Harrison Harris* whom I never saw—but it will not be long now before

I will see you all (if we live). I expect to see (when I come home) Mt. Crawford little changed, and the same *old fence around the yard.*

Give my best Respects to Joseph & Mae Harris—James Clark, Erasmus Clark, Lindsey, Well, Fishers, Turley, etc.

Your Brother  
WM. G. STEVENS

Carlisle July 7th 1836

Dear Mother.

I wrote a letter to Jacob, dated June 27th (I think) and have received no answer yet. This is, therefore, to inform you that I settled with my Treasurer today, and find that I have only about Thirteen Dollars left, to carry me home, which is insufficient as it cost me Fifteen Dollars to Come (and I paid no Fair to Winchester) which is about six Dollars. I wish you therefore (by the request of my Treasurer) to send me Ten Dollars—perhaps I will not use the whole of it, as I think I can go to Winchester cheaper than I came—as the roads are much better. I hope that you will not think that I am extravagant. For I assure you that I have not spent a Dollar unnecessarily. This will be \$135 since I left home, while there students in the house in which I board, who came at the beginning of this session and have sent upwards of \$100. I wish you to send it immediately on Receipt of this, for I shall start for home on the 21st of July—which is near at hand. Excuse this letter for it is done in a great hurry.

(I am well) my love to all.

Your son  
WM. G. STEVENS

N.B. Be particular and write immediately on the receipt of this.

### Studies Farm Journals

Albert L. Demaree, '23, assistant professor of history at Dartmouth College, is the author of a study of farm journals in the first part of the nineteenth century just published by Columbia University Press under the title "The American Agricultural Press, 1819-1860."



## College Offers Students Training in Aviation

Early this month, the College was approved for ground instruction in both primary and secondary training in aviation under the program of the Civil Aeronautics Authority of the Federal Government and in conjunction with the Wilson Flying Service, of New Kingston, Pa. During the second semester ten students will receive the elementary work and thirteen will take the advanced course.

A year ago this month, the College first offered aviation training and in the second semester of the last academic year, ten students took the course and received their private pilot's certificates in June. During the first semester this year, the program was continued and seventeen students, two of them co-eds, successfully completed the course.

Professor Wellington A. Parlin, head of the department of physics, is in charge of the program at Dickinson. He conducts the classes in ground instruction in his lecture room and supervises the courses. In the primary course, in addition to the ground work not less than thirty-five hours of flight training is required.

J. Frank Wilson, who operates the Wilson Flying Service and maintains an aviation field at New Kingston along the Carlisle-Harrisburg Pike, directs the flight instruction. He has several airplanes at his field which are used by the students of the college.

Applicants for the primary course must have had at least one year in college. They are required to take a rigid physical examination and also to pay a fee covering this cost and for required insurance. The Government grants scholarships which are worth about \$300 to cover the cost of their training.

Those who take the secondary training must first have successfully completed the primary course and be holders of a private pilot's certificate. Their training covers blind and instrument flying and also leads to an advanced certificate

### May I Have A Plane?

The rapidly changing old order in college administration is already faced with a new problem from the old one of "May I have a car at college?" to "may I have a plane?"

Edgar C. Washabaugh, of Norristown, N. J., a senior and the son of the Rev. J. Edgar Washabaugh, D.D., '10, passed his aviation course, received his pilot's license and now has his own airplane at a nearby flying field.

in aviation. The scholarships given by the Government are estimated to be worth approximately \$500.

The students taking the courses in this semester will not complete their training until about June 15, which will be in the week following Commencement.

### South Jersey Alumni Meet

The experiment of the Dickinson Club of Southern New Jersey to hold a dinner meeting during the Christmas holidays especially for students now in college and their parents was not successful in the eyes of officers of the club. However, a group of 30 spent an enjoyable evening together on December 27 at a dinner in the Homestead Coffee Shop at Woodbury, N. J.

Evan D. Pearson, '38, president of the club, acted as toastmaster. The speakers were Alumni Secretary Gilbert Malcolm, and John A. Novack, '36, recently appointed field secretary of the college.

### Appointed to College Staff

President Fred P. Corson has just announced the addition of John A. Novack, '36, to the administration staff.

Mr. Novack's chief responsibility will be to contact prospective students and represent the College in secondary schools.

**Resigns From Faculty**

JOHN K. TRAYER

Mr. John K. Trayer, instructor in psychology at the College since September, resigned on December 1 to accept an appointment as assistant director of teacher education and certification in the Pennsylvania State Department of Public Instruction.

Trayer, who served as an instructor in psychology two years ago during the illness of Professor Wilbur H. Norcross, '07, is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College and has a master's degree from Columbia University.

His work is now being taught by Professor Norcross and Mr. Donald Morrison, '40, who has been an assistant in the department since his graduation.

**Commencement Dates**

The coming Commencement will be on Monday, June 9, with the week-end program beginning on Friday, June 6. Alumni Day will be held on Saturday, June 7, and the Baccalaureate Services on Sunday, June 8, the day when class reunions' dinners will also be scheduled.

Present plans are that the 1941 Commencement program will closely follow that of last year.

**Dickinsonian Floor Leaders**

LEO A. ACHTERMAN

Both of the floor leaders of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives are Dickinsonians.

Leo A. Achterman, '17L, of Stroudsburg, where he has practised law since his graduation, a veteran of the Pennsylvania Legislature, is leader of the Democratic majority in the 1941 session.

Robert E. Woodside, '26, '28L, Harrisburg attorney and also a veteran in legislative halls, was named last month as the floor leader of the Republican minority.

**Librarian to Wed**

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Mildred May Livsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Livsey, of Montgomery, Ill. to John B. Nicholson, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Nicholson, of Rocky Ford, Ohio.

Mr. Nicholson is assistant librarian of the college. He is a graduate of Washington and Lee and has done graduate work at the University of Chicago.

Miss Livsey received her bachelor and master's degrees from the University of Chicago and teaches in Riverside, Ill.

The wedding will take place in June and the couple plan to live in Carlisle.

### College Receives Grant

Announcement has been made that the Henry Janssen Foundation of Reading, Pa., has awarded, for the second successive year, a grant of \$300 to the German department of Dickinson College.

Dickinson is one of twelve colleges to receive grants from the Foundation. The others are: Hollins, Lawrence, Middlebury, Cornell (Iowa), Mt. Holyoke, Yankton, Salem and Birmingham-Southern Colleges and Columbia, Friends, and Southern Methodist Universities.

The purpose of the grants is to encourage the study of the German language by providing funds for the purchase of books and equipment used in classroom and outside work. The money granted to Dickinson is used for the purchase of a linguaphone, linguaphone records, books, pictures and paintings.

### Quintet Wins Eight Games

Eight victories and four defeats mark the progress of the 1940-41 edition of Coach R. H. MacAndrew's basketball team, which is one of the best combinations he has assembled in recent years. Three of the defeats came in a January lull against strong opposition, and four games remain to be played.

The record to date is as follows:

Dickinson	49	Elizabethtown	38
Dickinson	45	Western Md.	37
Dickinson	46	American U.	34
Dickinson	45	Lehigh	59
Dickinson	49	Delaware	34
Dickinson	19	Gettysburg	46
Dickinson	37	Lebanon Valley	47
Dickinson	32	W. & J.	45
Dickinson	55	Drexel	36
Dickinson	38	Swarthmore	24
Dickinson	57	Rutgers	55
Dickinson	50	Susquehanna	44

## PERSONALS

1883

John M. Rhey, Carlisle attorney, and member of the Board of Trustees of the College, was re-elected vice-president of the J. Herman Bosler Memorial Library of Carlisle in January. Mrs. Gertrude B. Biddle, widow of Judge E. W. Biddle, is president; Jasper Alexander, secretary, the Rev. Harry B. Stock, D.D., '91, treasurer and Wm. Homer Ames, '01, librarian. In February, Mr. Rhey was also re-elected vice-president of the Hamilton Library Association of Carlisle.

1885

Mrs. G. F. Pettinos, wife of George F. Pettinos, died at her home in Merion, Pa., on January 25. She was the former Frances Palmer Snowhill. Her first husband was the late Frederick Mayer Bird, chaplain of Lehigh University and editor of the old Lippincott's Magazine. She is survived by her husband and a son by her first marriage, Robert Montgomery Bird.

1891

The Dickinson Chapter of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity of which he is a member, tendered

a dinner to Dr. W. W. Landis, professor of mathematics and dean of the junior class, on February 14 the evening before his 72nd birthday.

1896

J. Harvey Line, Carlisle attorney, was elected president of the Cumberland County Bar Association on January 16. He succeeds Frank B. Sellers, Jr., '97.

Merkel Landis was the speaker at the January meeting of the Carlisle branch of the A.A.U.W., when he delivered an address on the Federal housing program.

1899

Mrs. Emma Vanderwater Berger is taking courses at the University of California in Problems of the Hard of Hearing intending to enter work in that field.

1900

At the morning Christmas service of Wharton Memorial Church, Philadelphia, three hundred members and friends joined in congratulating the Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Witwer on their 40th wedding anniversary. A purse containing a substantial sum was presented.

### Baltimore Notes

*Carlyle R. Earp, Correspondent,  
129 East Redwood St.,  
Baltimore, Md.*

A bronze tablet was recently placed in the library of The Boys' Home in Baltimore as a memorial to the late Dr. Wilbur Martin Pearce, '90, who was for fifteen years the president of its board of directors.

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Fred E. Crosley, '33, has come to Baltimore to become the assistant manager of the S. S. Kresge Company.

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Ensign John F. Bacon, USNR, '38, is now assigned to the airplane carrier, U.S.S. Lexington.

—o—  
Harry L. Price, '96, Baltimore attorney, is now convalescing in the Maryland General Hospital, of which he is the chairman of the board.

—o—  
Mr. Charles C. Duke, president of the Provident Savings Bank and College trustee, has just returned from a health trip to Florida.

George S. Williams, who served one term as United States Representative from Delaware, was appointed State Motor Vehicle Commissioner last month.

1901

Jessie Houck Shaffer recently moved to 311 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore.

1902

General James G. Steese, of San Antonio, Texas, was recalled to active duty with the corps of engineers of the regular army in January and appointed assistant engineer of maintenance of the Panama Canal. He sailed from New York on the S.S. Cristobal on February 13 and will be stationed at Balboa Heights, Canal Zone.

1903

Prof. and Mrs. William Huff, of Evanston, Ill., are the parents of a son, born shortly before Christmas. Professor Huff, who is teaching at Northwestern University, is the son of the late Dr. Wm. B. Huff, of Bryn Mawr, Pa., and his wife Helen Schaeffer Huff.

Beverly W. Brown, who for the past thirty-seven years has been connected with the *Red Bank Standard*, newspaper of Red Bank, N. J., in its editorial, reportorial, and advertising departments, has severed his connection with it and has joined the staff of the *Red Bank Register*.

1904

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Williams, of Chicago, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a grandson, Channing Williams Tucker, who was born on January 13. He is the son of their daughter, Laura Lynn Williams Tucker, and her husband, the Rev. R. P. Tucker, who reside at Santa Monica, Calif., where the Rev. Mr. Tucker is assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church.

1906

Georgia M. Cranston, whose permanent address is Windsor, Conn. is spending the winter in St. Augustine, Florida.

1907

Prof. Wilbur H. Norcross, of the college faculty, was elected president of the Carlisle Y.M.C.A. last month, succeeding Roger K. Todd, '15, who held the post for the past three years.

1910

The Rev. Dr. Henry Darlington, rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York, N. Y., has recently been promoted from the rank of major to that of lieutenant-colonel in the New York National Guard.

1912

Miss Carrie W. Woodward was named sole beneficiary under the will of her uncle, Samuel S. Bixler, prominent Carlisle merchant who died on January 22, it has been reported. Announcement has been made that the hardware business of J. P. Bixler & Sons, of which he was the head at the time of his death, will be continued under the same policies.

1913

Clara J. Leaman, who has been serving as a Lutheran missionary in India, returned to this country in December. Following a visit with her sister in Philadelphia she planned to go to a Baltimore hospital for treatment, having returned from India because of illness.

1913L

A. E. Kountz, of the Pittsburgh bar, took active part in the arguments before the Supreme Court of the United States in Washington on January 8 and January 9. The arguments were held in the appeals relating to the 'tangle' financial and legal situations which have arisen in the Pittsburgh Railways Company reorganization proceeding. Mr. Kountz is regarded as a specialist in Federal Court procedure. He was employed by a group of attorneys representing about one hundred personal injury creditors, to look after the interests of their clients in that proceeding.

1914

The Rev. W. A. Hearn, D.D., district superintendent of the Dover District of the Peninsula Conference, offered the invocation at the inaugural ceremonies of Walter W. Bacon as Governor of the State of Delaware on January 21, in the Dover Field House.

1915

Gilbert Malcolm was installed in December

as High Priest of St. John's Royal Arch Chapter No. 171 of Carlisle. He is also Captain General of St. John's Commandery No. 8, Knights Templar.

1917

J. F. Puderbaugh, superintendent of the Lock Haven Schools, was elected president of the central convention district of the Pennsylvania State Educational Association, last October.

1919

Helen Leland Witmer, who holds her Ph.D. from Smith College, is the author of a text book *Psychiatric Clinics for Children*, which is a Commonwealth Fund publication.

1921

Mrs. Margaret Hocker, teacher in the Edison Junior High School, Harrisburg, Pa., spoke on "The Mind of Men" at a meeting of the Delta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in Camp Hill on January 27.

1924

The Rev. Albert M. Witmer, Jr., pastor for several years of Bickley Memorial Methodist Church, Philadelphia, has resigned to take up duties as chaplain of the Naval Hospital and Yard, Philadelphia. He has been a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve since 1938, and is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and Boston Theological Seminary. He is the father of two children, David 7, and Carol, 5. He is the son of the Rev. A. M. Witmer, D.D., '00, former district superintendent of the Methodist Church and now pastor of Wharton Memorial Methodist Church, Philadelphia.

Mrs. W. R. Guffick has been appointed as one of the executive secretaries of the Trenton district of the Women's Society for Christian Service.

1926

Mary E. Leinbach has given up a position in the West to take up a position in Girl Scout advisory work in Johnstown, Pa., in order to be closer to Carlisle because of the illness of her father, the Rev. Roy E. Leinbach, pastor of the Reformed Church, who has been given a leave of absence.

Margaret Steele is instructor of nursing arts at the Woman's Hospital, Philadelphia.

1927

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Schmidt, of Egg Harbor City, N. J., announced the birth of a daughter, Susan Jeanne, on January 4. Mrs. Schmidt is the former Miss Kathryn Stalnecker, of Egg Harbor City. They were married on February 10, 1940. Mr. Schmidt teaches science and assists with athletics at the Egg Harbor High School and resides at 15 London Avenue in Egg Harbor.

The Rev. Kenneth R. Perinchief, of Red Bank, N. J., is employed in an extensive church plant rebuilding project. The new church building will accommodate the mod-

ern church program of social fellowship and educational work.

William T. Gray, husband of Mary Rombach, is now assistant mechanical engineer of the Association of American Railroads. He and Mary have moved nine times in nine years, but they believe they are fixed for awhile. With their two sons, William F. and George E. Gray, they now reside at 7437 Crandon Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

1929

Paul A. Hill was recently appointed business manager and secretary of the Arlington, Va., Chamber of Commerce.

Elizabeth L. McCullough was re-elected treasurer of the Cumberland County Bar Association at its annual meeting on January 16.

Harriet M. Salter is teaching American history in the Keith Junior High School, Altoona, Pa.

1930

Dr. Edward Hoberman was installed as president of the Kiwanis Club of Lock Haven, Pa., where he practices medicine, at a January meeting of that organization.

1932

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marshall have announced the marriage of their daughter Edith to Bernard L. Green on December 29, in Trenton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Helmuth W. Joel, of Bronxville, N. Y., announce the birth of a son, Helmuth Wulf, Jr., on December 13.

Edwin M. Blumenthal, Carlisle attorney, is president of the Young Men's Democratic Club of Carlisle.

Herbert A. Heerwagen received his A.B. degree from Cornell University in 1932 and his LL.B. in 1934. He is now practicing law at 1 Wall Street, New York, N. Y.

1933

Jack B. Daugherty is teaching in the Philipsburg, Pa., High School.

Dr. and Mrs. George H. Gillis, of Wiconisco, announced the engagement of their daughter, Ida Catherine, in January, to John Charles Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer, of Pen Argyl. Miss Gillis is a teacher in the Senior High School of Coraopolis. Mr. Palmer is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College and has a fellowship at Temple University. He is with the American Petroleum Company. A late summer wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morris Bate have announced the marriage of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Edward Williams Holland on October 12, 1940 in Wilmington, Del.

Dr. Charles W. Smith, who is practicing medicine in Harrisburg, spoke on Pneumonia Preventives at a meeting of the Carlisle Civic Club on February 4.

1934

Robert L. Blewitt, has resigned his position with the legal staff of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Washington, D. C., to

enter active duty as a second lieutenant in the regular army and is stationed at Fort Warren, Wyoming.

Elizabeth M. Hibbs and Richard Crankshaw 3d were married March 23, 1940 and are now living at 4824 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. Francis R. Manlove has been appointed to a three year residency in internal medicine at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., and began his duties there on January 1st.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther M. Whitcomb, of Washington, D. C., announced the birth of a son, Thomas Lambert, on February 3.

Elizabeth A. Billow, executive director of the Cumberland County Board of Public Assistance, was guest speaker at a January meeting of the Women's Club of Mechanicsburg.

Charlotte F. Young is assistant director of the colored Y. W. C. A., Harrisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Hinebauch, of Johnstown, Pa., announced the birth of a son, Jonathan McConnell Hinebauch, on December 11, 1940. Mr. Hinebauch has been promoted in the Coca-Cola Company and will soon move his family to Philadelphia.

#### 1935

Charles Thomas, a 36 year old brother of William S. Thomas, died following an operation, on January the 11th. He was a graduate of the Wilkes-Barre High School and was employed by the Hazzard Wire Rope Co. of Wilkes-Barre. He is survived by his wife.

William S. Thomas of New York was married in September at Alexandria, Va., to Miss Kathleen Barrett, of Towanda, Pa. She is a graduate of the Towanda High School and of Rider College, and was a teacher in Edgewood Park Junior College at Briar Cliff Manor, N. Y. Mr. Thomas is a member of the actuarial department of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York. Arthur R. Mangan, '37, was best man.

Following a visit in Carlisle with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Shearer, Mrs. Richard Briner and her daughter, Ruth Anne, left this month with her husband, Lieutenant Richard Briner, U.S.N. for Jacksonville, Fla. Lieutenant Briner is stationed there as an instructor in the naval air station.

Harold M. Missal, of Bristol, Conn., was one of those notified last month that he had successfully passed the Connecticut bar examinations. In a letter to Dean Vuilleumier he states that he plans to volunteer for a year's army service before starting his practice of law.

Anthony J. Gianforti, of South Enola, Pa., who graduated from the Dickinson School of Law last June and opened a law office in Harrisburg a few months ago after passing the Pennsylvania bar examinations, volunteered for a year's army service in January and left on February 6 as one of thirty-three trainees from Cumberland County.

Eloise Kistler, of Dillsburg, Pa., is attending the Carlisle Business School.

E. Leora Williams, of New Cumberland, Pa., is supervisor of files in the Unemployment Compensation office in Harrisburg.

Edith M. Machen, of Camp Hill, Pa., is secretary to the editor of the Central Publishing House of Harrisburg. She is also doing some feature writing and editing for the *Chiropractic Magazine*.

The 1939 Alumni Directory incorrectly listed Emily M. Keatley as being unmarried and living in Fleming, Pa. She married Glenn Blackwood and with their three children, Harold Glen, David Gary and Janet Gay, is living at 1538 Coventry Road, Dayton, Ohio.

#### 1936

William H. Dodd, who is an instructor at the Dickinson School of Law, read a paper before the National Association of Law Schools at its annual meeting in Chicago during the Christmas holidays. He was accompanied to Chicago by Dean Walter H. Hitchler, formerly a member of the Association's council.

Kenneth C. Spengler, who holds a reserve commission in the Officers Reserve Corps, was ordered in October by the Army Air Corps to take graduate work in meteorology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a student in the graduate school there.

Barbara F. Harris, who has been employed for several years in the cellophane division of the DuPont company in Wilmington, has accepted a position with the Hooper-Holmes Bureau, Inc., market researchers of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon E. Bolter and their 17 month old daughter, Andreas Helene, have just moved into their new home in Country Club Hills, Cumberland County, Pa.

Thurston Lynch is employed by the Houston Compress Company, Houston, Texas.

In a personal letter to Dean W. H. Hitchler of the Law School, J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, advised him of the appointment of H. Lynn Edwards, of Nanty-Glo, Pa., as a special agent.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Porter Wood of Bryn Mawr in January announced the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Richards Wood, to John Febiger Spahr. The wedding will take place in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Henry Walter of Camp Hill have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Elaine Velva Walter, to Charles A. Vogelsong, Jr., of Mechanicsburg. Mr. Vogelsong is at the present time a member of the faculty of the high school of Clearfield, Pa.

Sylvia B. Levitt is studying for her doctor's degree in public health at Columbia University and also works with the U. S. Board of Control of Venereal Diseases. She lives at 75 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Evelyn Rosalie Gutshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Gutshall, of New Kingstown, Pa., was married at her home on the evening of January 23 to Dr. John J. Snyder, '35, of Steelton, Pa., son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Snyder, of R. D. 1, Carlisle. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Edward G. Brame, '21, pastor of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, New Kingstown. Since her graduation from college, Mrs. Snyder has taught in the Hogestown Grammar School. Dr. Snyder, who graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1939 is practicing medicine in Steelton where the couple now reside at 210 South Second Street.

1937

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Wright of Newville announced the engagement of their daughter, Genevieve, on January 1, to George L. Briner of Carlisle. Miss Wright is a junior in the Shippensburg State Teachers College. No definite date has been announced for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Wales of Glyndon, Md., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Vera Virginia Wales, to John B. G. Palen. Miss Wales is a graduate of Hood College. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Standing, Jr., of Bethlehem, Pa., announced in October the engagement of Mr. Standing's sister, Helen M., daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred J. Standing, to James Decker Mack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer L. Mack, of Bethlehem. Mr. Mack prepared for college at the Bethlehem High School and Mercersburg Academy and is a graduate of Lehigh University. He is a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity and is associated with the Bethlehem Steel Company.

A daughter, Katharine Page, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar S. Everhart, Jr., of Dundalk, Md. on March 21, 1940.

Mary Katherine Driver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Owen Driver, of North Plainfield, N. J., was married to Harry Clay Hyson, of Westbury, N. Y., on December 21 in the Mary E. Wilson Memorial Chapel, Watchung, N. J. by the Rev. B. H. Marshall. Among the wedding party was Mrs. Philip B. Townley, of West Orange, N. J., a classmate of the bride. She was matron of honor. Mr. Hyson, a graduate of the University of Maryland, is associated with the Doggett-Pfeil Co., Springfield, N. J.

R. Joseph Merkel graduated from the Harvard Law School in June, 1940, and is now associated with the firm of Stevens & Lee, Reading, Pa.

1938

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd B. Fisher, Mt. Holly Springs, Pa., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Jean, to John L. Scott, of Carlisle. Miss Fisher is a graduate of the Carlisle High School and of the West Chester Teachers College. Mr. Scott is employed in the State office of the NYA in Harrisburg.

The wedding will take place in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Remsberg of Carlisle announce the birth of a son, Philip Hastings Remsberg, on January 13th. Mr. Remsberg is a member of the Carlisle High school faculty. Mrs. Remsberg is the former Miss Eloise Williams.

Mrs. M. B. Lightner of Carlisle in December announced the marriage of her daughter, Miss Mary Jane Lightner, to David I. Thompson, also of Carlisle. The wedding took place November 7, 1939, in Fredericksburg, Va. Mrs. Thompson is a graduate of the Harrisburg Hospital Training School for Nurses. Mr. Thompson is a student in the University of Pennsylvania Medical School.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Lyter, of Harrisburg, Pa., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helen Jane Lyter, to Richard E. Doyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Doyle, of Harrisburg. Miss Lyter is a graduate of Shippensburg State Teachers College and is a teacher in the Paxtang Borough School. Mr. Doyle is employed in the advertising department of *The Patriot* and *The Evening News*, Harrisburg.

In the December issue of the DICKINSON ALUMNUS it was erroneously stated that Loanna Worden, '40, and C. Edward Kochenour, Jr., '38 were married in Harrisburg, Pa. They were married in a garden ceremony at Mrs. Kochenour's home in Maplewood, N. J. Their new address is 241 South Arlington Avenue, East Orange, N. J.

John F. Bacon, who is an ensign in the Navy, was transferred on January 1st to the airplane carrier Lexington as chief disbursing officer and assistant purchaser of supplies.

The Rev. and Mrs. Louis E. Young have announced the birth of a daughter, Patricia Jean, November 19, 1940.

Janet V. Brougner sailed from San Francisco in January for Honolulu to visit her brother-in-law and sister, Captain and Mrs. Allen M. Bracher. She will be gone about two months.

Donald E. Austin is a midshipman in the United States Naval Reserve midshipman school and is stationed on the U.S.S. Illinois at New York. In this period of officer training he made a trip in October cruising to Panama on the U. S. S. New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Karlstrom, of 9273 Fauntleroy Ave., Seattle, Wash., announced the birth of a son, Paul Johnson Karlstrom, on January 22. Mrs. Karlstrom is the former Eleanor Johnson.

1939

Mary Burttschell is teaching history in the Keiser School, Trenton, N. J.

Virginia Auburn recently completed a course in business school and is now working as an interior decorator in New York City.

Following their marriage, Lieutenant John P. Haines and Penderly Spear, went to live in Quantico, Va. They were there only two

months when "Pete" was transferred to Cuba where a naval base is being built in a jungle 600 miles from Havana and where wives are not allowed. However, "Pete" and Penderly spent Christmas together in Havana, before the bride's return to Middletown, Ohio where she is living at 1003 14th Avenue.

Jane Curtis, of Lawrenceville, N. J., is in her second year at the Cornell Medical Center, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hardinge, Jr., of Baltimore, Md., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Hunt Hardinge, to Judson L. Smith. The wedding will take place in June.

Barbara Barakat is employed as a service representative in the Upper Darby Pa., office of the Bell Telephone Company.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Richard Greenawalt of Harrisburg to Miss Ethel A. Jamison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Jamison, of Harrisburg. No date has been set for the wedding. Miss Jamison, who is a graduate of John Harris High School, is employed by the Bell Telephone Company, where Mr. Greenawalt is also employed.

#### 1940

Miriam A. Riley is taking a course in laboratory technique at the Fitzgerald-Mercy Hospital in Lansdowne, Pa.

T. Smedley Bartram, Jr., is working at the House of Industry settlement in South Philadelphia, getting a year's experience before entering graduate school for social work.

H. Bernard Gingrich, who is with the E. I. duPont chemical laboratories at Gibbstown, N. J., is living at 22 North Davis St., Woodbury, N. J.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mary Louise Kirkpatrick and William E. Breen. The wedding will likely take place in the spring.

Barbara Kirkpatrick is teaching English, directing dramatics and in charge of the library in the Herbert Hoover Consolidated School of Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County, Pa.

Kenneth Gorrell enlisted in the United States Army in July last and is now stationed in Honolulu.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bentley, of Kingston, Pa., have announced the engagement of their daughter Marion to Harry W. Wilson. Miss Bentley is a graduate of the Kingston High School and Wyoming Seminary and is associated with the Wilkes-Barre office of the Department of Labor and Industry. Mr. Wilson is employed by Hazard Wire Rope Company. No date has been set for the wedding.

Robert Charles Baker, of Harrisburg, was married to Miss Elizabeth Garverick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Garverick, of West Chester, Pa., and formerly of Harrisburg, on December 28 in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Har-

risburg. Colley S. Baker, Jr., brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Mr. Baker is employed in the freight traffic department of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Newark, N. J. The couple now reside at 201 North 17th St., East Orange, N. J.

#### 1940L

Thomas Wood, Jr., is secretary to Judge Guy Bard of the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

A. Sieber Hollinger had passed the Pennsylvania bar examinations and is practicing law in the firm of McNeese & Nurick of Harrisburg.

Bernard J. Myers, Jr., passed the July Pennsylvania examinations and is practicing with Zimmerman, Myers & Kready of Lancaster.

Albert M. Ash passed the New Jersey examinations and is practicing law in Ocean City.

C. William Gilchrist passed the Maryland bar examinations and is practicing in Cumberland, Md.

Philip F. Detweiler passed the Pennsylvania bar examinations and is serving this year as circulation librarian of the college.

The following members of the class passed the Pennsylvania bar examinations: Carl M. Binder, Pottstown; John B. Fowler, Carlisle; Earl R. Handler, Indiana; Robert I. Shadle, York; Sidney A. Simon, Jersey Shore; John O. Thomas, Ebensburg; and Thomas I. Myers, who is practicing with his father in Lemoyne and Carlisle.

#### 1941

Mildred Elizabeth Fink, daughter of Professor and Mrs. C. W. Fink, was married to Daniel P. Arnold, '40L, of Clearfield, Pa., on February 1st, in St. Patrick's Church, Carlisle.

Mr. Arnold attended Washington and Lee University before entering the Dickinson Law School. He was admitted to the Clearfield County bar last month and is associated with his father, John C. Arnold, in the law firm of Arnold and Chaplin, in Clearfield.

The couple will reside at 110 Market Street, Clearfield, Pa.

#### 1942

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Ruhl have announced the engagement of their daughter, Florence Mae, to John J. Rehr. Miss Ruhl has been a student for the past three years at the Corcoran School of Art in Washington, D. C. Mr. Rehr is a junior in the College.

Norman D. Stuard, of Roaring Springs, Pa., who was serving as editor of the *Microcosm*, resigned that post and withdrew from college at the end of the first semester to become an aviation cadet at Randolph Field "the West Point of the Air."

Lee B. Miller, of Wilkesburg, who did not return to college this year but was working with a finance company in Altoona, has enlisted in aviation.



## OBITUARY

1894—Charles LeRoy Robbins, prominent member of the Luzerne County bar, died at his home in Wilkes-Barre on December 16, after a two months' illness.

Born December 15, 1871 in Bloomsburg, Pa., he attended the Watsonstown High School, entered the college in 1890 and received his Ph. B. degree in 1894 and an A. M. in 1897. Upon his graduation from the college he read law and was later admitted to the Luzerne County bar and later to the Supreme Court of the United States and to the United States Federal courts.

In college he became a member of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and of the Belles Lettres Society. He attended the Quaker Meeting in Millville, Pa. He was a member and past president of the Franklin Club of Wilkes-Barre and was a member of the Wyoming Valley Country Club.

He is survived by his widow, the former Ann Eve Bryden, of Pittston.

Funeral services were held at his home and interment was made in the Watsonstown Cemetery.

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1902—R. Max Lewis, whose entire life since graduation, was given to newspaper work in Altoona died February 5 at his residence, 917 Twenty-second Avenue, that city. He was 60 years old. He had been in ill health since December, 1939, but an improvement was noticed until within ten days of his death when he contracted pneumonia.

Mr. Lewis was an ardent Dickinsonian, active in the affairs of the alumni club in Altoona and in the reunions of his class. He was a frequent visitor on the campus at football games and on other occasions.

Born in Altoona, September 18, 1880, he finished his public school course there, entering Dickinson in 1899. Upon graduation he returned to Altoona, joined the editorial staff of the *Times* and later the *Gazette*, going to the *Mirror* in 1907, advancing there to the telegraph editor's desk, a post he maintained at the time of his death. He found newspaper work congenial, inheriting the talents of his mother, who under the penname of Ida Clarkson Lewis wrote verse.

Mr. Lewis was a member of the Eighth Avenue Methodist church, the Sons of the American Revolution, and a camp of Sons of Veterans. He also was a director in two building and loan associations. His survivors are his widow, Edna, and a daughter Elda M. Lewis.

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1919—The Rev. August F. Zimmerman, pastor of Seaford circuit of the Methodist Church, died December 21 in the Kent General Hospital at Dover, Del., from injuries suffered in an automobile accident the day before.

Born in Baltimore, Md., on May 2, 1893, he prepared for college at the Wilmington Conference Academy. He entered the college in September, 1915, and withdrew in November, 1917, to enter the Methodist ministry.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Helen Brown Zimmerman; four children, Miss Leah Isabelle and Miss Barbara Zimmerman, students at Western Maryland College, and Mary Ann and Howard, who attend school in Seaford; a brother Herman of

Baltimore; and three sisters, Mrs. John King and Mrs. William Funk, of Baltimore, and Miss Emily Zimmerman, Washington.

Funeral services were held in St. Johns Methodist Church, Seaford, Del., with the Rev. John L. Johnson, pastor, the Rev. W. A. Hearn, D. D., '14, district superintendent, Dr. E. E. Coleman and the Rev. John J. Bunting, D. D., '08, officiating. Interment was made in the Harrington Cemetery.

## NECROLOGY

The Rev. Frederick John Hubach, D. D., retired Methodist clergyman and former superintendent of the Elizabeth, N. J., district of the Methodist Church, died in his home in Chatham, N. J., on January 17 after a long illness at the age of 69 years.

Born in Cincinnati, he was a graduate of Central Wesleyan College and Drew Theological Seminary. He received his master's degree from New York University and the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Dickinson College in 1916.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Amelia Bauman Hubach; a daughter Ruth Hubach; a son, the Rev. Frederick G. Hubach, who is the husband of Carolyn B. Gardner, '26, and is pastor of the Methodist Church of Flemington, N. J.; two sisters and four brothers.

Mrs. Nellie Virginia Shue, wife of the Rev. Allen C. Shue, '08, and mother of two Dickinsonian daughters, died after a long illness on January 28 at the parsonage of the Fifth Street Methodist Church, Harrisburg, of which her husband is the pastor.

Mrs. Shue was the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. J. Wesley Grimm, the former for many years a minister in the Pennsylvania Conference of the United Brethren Church. She was born in Newburg, Pa.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. W. B. Sprowl (Miriam E. Shue, '27), of Rockwood, Pa.; Mrs. C. G. Norris (Margaret H. Shue, '29), of State College, Pa.; and Mrs. H. R. Von Dorster, Lancaster, Pa.; four grandchildren; a sister, Miss Iva M. Grimm, of York, Pa., and a brother, Charles Grimm, Newville, Pa.

Funeral services were held in Fifth Street Methodist Church, Harrisburg and burial was made in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

James R. Wheelock, well-known Indian musician, whom many Dickinsonians will remember from his student days at the Carlisle Indian School, died at his home in Upper Darby, Pa., on January 10. After graduating, he went to Germany where he studied music at Leipzig and was a solo clarinetist with the London Symphony Orchestra. During the World War he organized a regimental band at Brest, France, which in an inter-regimental contest, was adjudged the best band in the A.E.F. After the war he organized his own band, which he conducted until his retirement in 1933.

Mrs. Ella Mae Latshaw Hackenberg, the wife of the Rev. John H. Hackenberg, D. D., who with her husband made a gift to the endowment funds of the college, died in Reading, Pa., on January 8th and was buried in the Memorial Mausoleum at Wyomissing Hills on January 11th. She first met Dr. Hackenberg, who is a retired member of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Church, at a Dickinson College commencement. Soon thereafter she became his wife, and for twenty-four years was associated with him in the ministry.

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