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## Commencement

# June 8-10 Are Dates

Tentative plans have been completed for the 1946 Commencement week end. There may be a few changes in detail, but for the most part, alumni, former students, and friends can make their arrangements to attend at this early date in accordance with the program herein outlined.

This is the first peacetime commencement since June, 1941. It is evident that attendance will be much larger than usual. Many of the men who have been in the service are anxious to get back on the campus to meet old friends and revive again the College spirit which they cherish. As a result, if you want to have a great time, don't miss coming this spring.

It will be reunion time for the classes of 1925 and 1935. Ernest Casler, '25 newly elected to the executive committee, will have charge of planning things for the class of '25. Also, classes of '24, '26 and '27 will be asked to join '25. Charlotte Rickman Wiedoefst '32 will have charge of '35. Classes of '34, '36, and '37 will be asked to join '35.

Several outstanding alumni dinner speakers are under consideration. Without doubt, an excellent speaker will be engaged. Following the dinner, certain alumni business will be transacted. Our new president, Donald F. Hellenga '34, will preside.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8  
3:00-5:00 P.M. Alumni Tea—  
Hoben Lounge  
6:00 P.M. Alumni Banquet—  
Welles Hall; Speaker to be announced.  
8:30 P.M. Commencement Play  
or Musical; Details to be announced.  
10:00 P.M. Faculty Reception;  
Place to be announced.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9  
8:00-10:00 A.M. Departmental  
Breakfasts—Places to be announced.  
4:00-5:00 P.M. Baccalaureate  
Services—Stetson Chapel; Speaker  
to be announced.  
5:00-6:00 P.M. President's Reception—  
President's Home.  
6:00- P.M. Class Reunion  
Suppers—Places to be announced.

MONDAY, JUNE 10  
10:00-12:00 A.M. One Hundred  
Tenth Annual Commencement—  
Stetson Chapel; Speaker to be  
announced.  
12:30-1:30 P.M. Commencement  
Luncheon—Welles Hall.

Announcement will be made in the May ALUMNUS about Baccalaureate and Commencement speakers. President Thompson has indicated that both will be fine, and from the record of past selections, this undoubtedly will be true.

Everything points to a new high

in Commencement week ends. As a member of the College family, you are cordially invited to return in June to take part.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Kalamazoo College Alumni Association was held Tuesday evening, March 5, in the alumni office, Bowen Hall. Those present were: Donald Hellenga, presiding, Mary Jane Ross, Ernest Casler, Charlotte Rickman Wiedoefst, and Everett R. Hames. Miss Virginia Earl and Miss Constance Peck were present representing the alumni committee of the faculty.

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved.

The schedule of events arranged for Commencement was announced and approved. Mr. Casler was appointed to assist the class of '25 with its reunion plans and Char-

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The executive committee has given careful consideration to the selection of an outstanding alumnus for the 1946 Award of Merit. Although several candidates come close to filling the requirements, the committee felt that just the right individual had not been found. As a result, further study will be given to the matter and a choice made at a later date.

## Frank B. Bachelor

# Improvement Fund

There is always something attractive and appealing in progress. We cherish the memory of our old alma mater, but we are glad "she is not what she used to be."

The progress of Kalamazoo College in the last two decades has been most gratifying to all who have ever, in any way, been connected with it. The physical improvement is quickly impressed upon the "old grad" as soon as he comes upon the campus. Underbrush and weeds no longer have sway within a hundred yards of Bowen Hall. A beautiful, well kept quadrangle is surrounded by Olds, Mandell, Stetson, Welles, Bowen, and Hoben. To the east of this is Tredway gym and five nationally famous grasstex tennis courts, and to the west Trowbridge which now houses 175 women, and beyond that the President's home and seven faculty homes.

There is no disposition on the part of the trustees, alumni, and friends of the college to stop. We continue to advance. Two squares to the west of the main campus, Angell Field is being developed and will be dedicated in October. To the north of the campus and almost adjoining it on the Stockbridge lot, much progress has already been made towards the construction of nine tennis courts where for at least the next five years, the National Boys and Junior Tennis Tournaments will be played.

This advancement has not "just happened." It has been because of the deep interest of friends. Sometimes it has just been one friend, sometimes two or more friends, but most often because of the interest and concern of scores and hundreds of friends.

The increasing number, year after year, of friends participating in the annual Improvement Fund effort is the best guarantee that the College shall continue its splendid strides of advancement. The buildings of the College have not come directly through the Improvement Funds,



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but they have been kept up in good shape largely by those funds. Walks have been built, drives have been paved, tennis courts have been constructed, pianos, typewriting machines, dictaphones and much other necessary equipment has been purchased because these funds have made it possible.

It is true that during the war years it has been necessary to use much of these funds to meet current expenses. But it is well to remember that in those current expenses has been included retirement stipends to three persons who gave the best years of their lives to the College and for most of those years they rendered this service receiving very meager salaries. In both the material and human elements of our College life the Improvement Fund has, and will increasingly contribute to the advancement of the College we hold dear.

We are recognized by the educational organizations of the country as an outstanding small, liberal arts college. A small college makes a strong appeal to many if it is a *good* college. A well trained, competent,

and sufficient teaching staff is of first importance. Our teaching staff has more than doubled in the last two decades. Teachers are competent, specialists in their departments. No longer does one person teach in three or four unrelated subjects. Classes are small and the student receives personal consideration, council, and guidance.

Students are selected with care. Just being a student from any high school is not sufficient. Certain patterns are required, and grades that indicate the applicant is of mental capacity and of such disposition and character as to do creditable college work. A good teacher and a worthy student constitute the most important elements of a good college.

Along with these of course should be suitable buildings, proper and sufficient working equipment, a diversity of study courses, pleasant, comfortable and adequate living facilities.

Lovely Stetson Chapel at the summit of the quadrangle is evidence of the disposition of the college that textbooks and laboratories in themselves do not constitute all that is needed in a well rounded education. The Greek inscription carved in the cornerstone of the chapel, "A Fellowship of the Spirit," is as important as the Hoben slogan of the college, "A Fellowship in Learning." The well directed and carefully supervised social life helps to accomplish that which is implied in the Thompson phrase carved in a stone over the door of Trowbridge annex, "The end of learning is gracious living." The spacious lounge of Welles Hall, the large lounge of Hoben Hall, and the large living room and sun parlor of Trowbridge contribute wonderfully in the cultivation of gracious living.

The person who does not know is very apt to take all these elements, which have been mentioned as being important in a *good* small college, as a matter of course, giving little

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## Annual Drive

# Campaign Leaders



1. Morlan J. Grandbois, '31, will have charge of the alumni division. He is a very busy publicity manager for Bryant Paper Co., now a subsidiary of Time, Inc.
2. Gerald H. Allen, Campaign Chairman, is a long time friend of the College. Now an Associate of the Board of Trustees, he is always willing to give of his time and energy to help Kalamazoo College. He is president of the Allen Electric and Equipment Co.
3. Ralph M. Ralston, '16, is one of those rare individuals who always turns up when there is a job to do. This year, as vice-chairman of the Improvement Fund, he has one of the white collar jobs.
4. Mrs. Edward F. Crabb is a friend of the College so many of you know through the Oakland Pharmacy. Mrs. Crabb serves as chairman of the women's division of the Improvement Fund this year.
5. Mr. Harry C. Harvey, '16, is a most faithful alumnus who will serve as head of the men's division this year. His daughter, Mary, is a freshman here this year, which has further stimulated his interest.

# Letters To Alumni



Allen B. Stowe

Doris W. Stowe



Dear Alumni and Former Students:

Having received a notice from the editor, I suddenly realize that it is my turn to write the faculty letter to all of the alumni and former students. Since it happens that I am not only a member of the faculty but also an alumnus of the college, I have a two-fold relationship with alumni and former students and am therefore doubly happy of the opportunity of writing a letter to you at this time.

The second semester is now nicely underway and I am happy to report an increase in enrollment which brings us back to approximately pre-war totals. The increase is naturally almost entirely due to returning Veterans, many of whom are new on the campus and many of whom are former students.

With the coming of many more men to the campus, I have noticed renewed interest in many activities which were greatly curtailed or had to be abandoned during the war. All of the men's literary societies are again active, each one presenting its open meeting and rushing the non-society men on campus. Intramural basketball is providing many interesting and hard-fought games. The Chemistry and Physics Departments, each normally enrolling more men than women, again have some courses in which the number of men exceeds the number of women. Several courses ordinarily given only in the first semester are also being offered this present second semester in order to provide an adequate group of course offerings for students entering for the first time.

As chairman of the Faculty Athletic Committee, I am happy to give you a report on the present athletic set-up and the prospects for the future. Mr. Nulf returned from service in the Navy in December in time to have charge of the basketball team, which before the end of the season developed into one of the best teams in the MIAA. It has just been announced by the college that Mr. Lloyd Grow has been added to the staff as assistant to Mr. Nulf. He will serve as track coach and as assistant coach in football and basketball.

The colleges in the MIAA are playing an informal schedule in track, tennis and golf. The annual MIAA Field Day, together with tennis and golf tournaments,

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Dear Alumni:

You and I owe a great debt of gratitude to the girls who have attended Kalamazoo College during these war years. With that old-time Kazoo spirit and determination, they have done an admirable job in keeping up the traditions of our Alma Mater. They have preserved our "Fellowship in Learning" for us and made it glow so that it now becomes a living "Fellowship in Learning" for you and me and for the veterans who are returning day by day.

There is one tradition, however, that had to be laid on the shelf, as it were, because of wartime restrictions. But it was brought to life in recent weeks and was made an integral part of campus life again. Yes, you have guessed it—I am thinking of the Kalamazoo College Washington Banquet and Dance held in Welles Hall on the evening of February 22, 1946. It was a gala affair with perfect appointments—good speakers, beautiful music, and most delicious food. Everyone was in a merry mood. The toastmaster presided in true Dunbarian fashion giving us another one of those unforgettable meller-dramas, modernizing Washington and his men and introducing them and "Marthy" to the Atomic Age.

The highlight of the evening came for me when President Thompson asked all the veterans to stand. What a thrill! To see such a goodly number of our fine boys stand so straight and tall! How grateful we are that so many of them could return to us from "far and wide." All during the evening, it was interesting to note small groups here and there exchanging greetings and reminiscences of former college days. An outsider looking in upon us might have thought we were celebrating "Old Home Week."

Now, dear alums, wouldn't you like to have a part in some of this old Kazoo spirit once more? Well, then, make a red circle around October 19 on your nearest and largest calendar. "What's going on THEN?" you say. Haven't you heard? That is the date of the Homecoming Football Game with Hope College and the dedication of Angell Field.

Cordially yours,

Doris Wood Stowe

## New Buildings

# Dormitory For Men

President Paul Lamont Thompson announced recently that Kalamazoo College will soon start construction of a new men's dormitory.

The new building will face on Academy Street just north of Hoben Hall and between the campus drive and Tredway gymnasium. The present driveway will have to be moved west of its present location to accommodate the building.

It is estimated that the cost of such a building completely furnished will be \$350,000. It is expected that the new building will be ready for occupancy in January, 1947.

Architectural plans were provided by Aymar Embury III of New York and construction will be under the direction of the Miller-Davis Company of Kalamazoo.

The building will be comparable in style to other buildings on the campus and will be of fireproof construction throughout. Like Hoben Hall it will be three stories in height

but will differ vastly in room arrangement. Capacity will be 120 persons.

One wing of the building will be devoted to accommodations for married couples with a separate entrance from the rest of the building. In the west wing of the building there will be a ground floor apartment for the dean of men and his family. There will also be provided a two bed infirmary, a powder room, guest room, and men's coat room.

In the first floor center section there will be furnished a lounge, recreation room, study, library, and a small kitchen and pantry.

The second and third floors will be constructed identically with single and double bed rooms. Study rooms will also be provided in this area.

Hoben Hall was constructed in 1937 to replace Williams Hall. Since the construction of Hoben Hall there has been a definite need

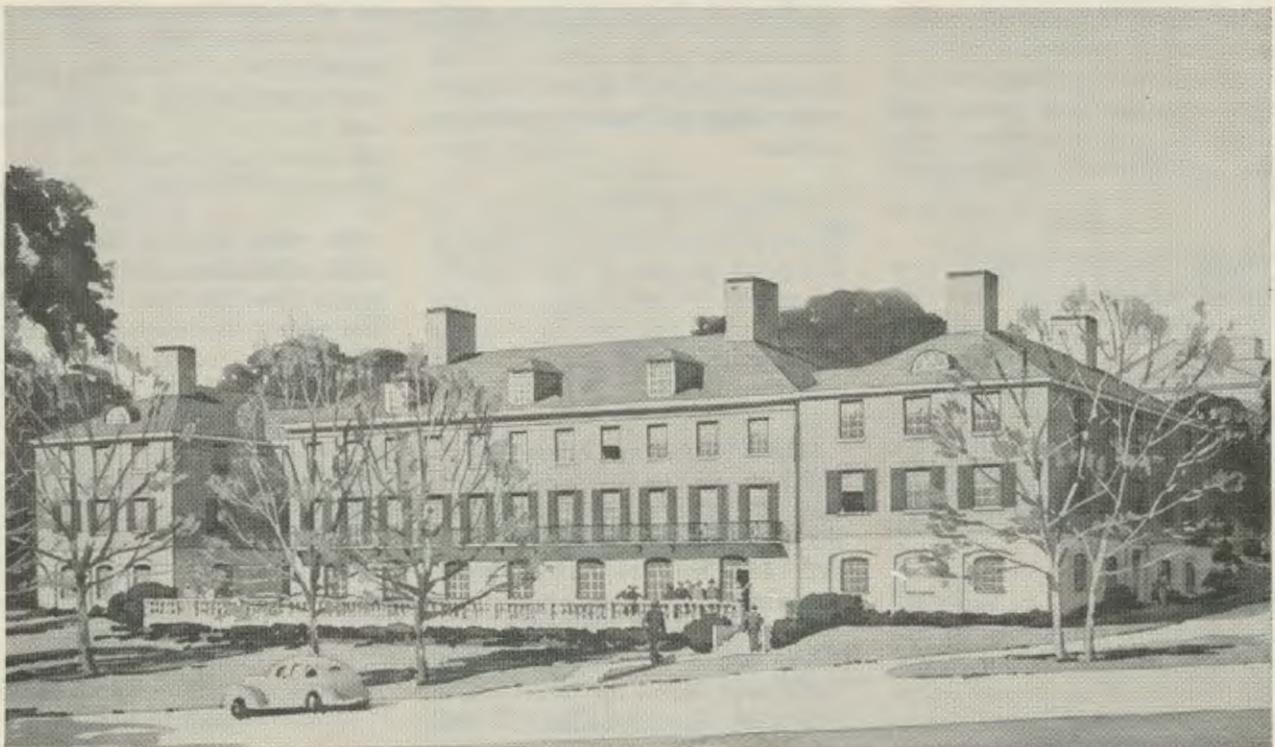
for even additional dormitory space. Now with the advent of so many veterans on campus it is anticipated that there will be a great shortage of rooms for the fall semester. It is expected that for several years veterans alone will fill the new dormitory.

The new dormitory is in keeping with the campus policy to house all out-of-town students on the campus of Kalamazoo College.

President Thompson also stated that a new addition to Mary Trowbridge House, women's dormitory, is anticipated in the near future.

The new men's dormitory is a portion of a vast building program which the college is financing to bring their equipment up to a desirable level. Already tennis courts and a new athletic field are under construction and in the near future there will be a new field house in addition to the women's dormitory.

### NEW DORMITORY FOR MEN



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## Washington Alumni News

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Walter Good '37 has been working for quite a period at the Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University, Silver Springs, Maryland. In view of recent official disclosures it can now be revealed that he has been working on, and helping perfect, the radio proximity fuse, under the direction of its inventor, John M. Pearce. During the war he also put in some time on a new gun director system for anti-aircraft fire on naval vessels.

—K—

Donald Simpson '39 is back in Washington, having recently been discharged from the Army. He has returned to his former position with the U. S. Public Health Service. Right now he is engaged in mortal combat with several thousand characters trying to find some habitation suitable for his family.

—K—

Owen Williams ex'46, second son of Maynard Owen Williams '10, returned to the States on January 30, after 18 months on PT's in the Pacific during which time he saw action in three major campaigns. Carrying a rating of Gunner's Mate 1/c, he arrived in Chevy Chase last week. Present indications are that he will be married to Betty Lou Trobridge sometime next spring, and will take her with him when he returns to Kalamazoo College next fall.

—K—

Johnny Coppock ex'39 is now Economic Advisor to the Area Director of UNRRA in Athens, Greece. His wife still lives in Washington, D. C. Johnny was overseas with the OSS shocktroops until the middle of last year. He then got his discharge in Paris on Bastille Day, which, incidentally, is rather a nice touch.

—K—

Through Mary Coppock I established the fact that Dr. Sherwood Gates, formerly professor of sociology at the College, is now in charge of the Health, Welfare, and Recreation activities of the Federal Secur-

ity Agency. Principal problems involve areas surrounding Army camps in the continental United States.

—K—

Ray Chapman '32 got married recently and now lives over in Virginia. Ray still works for the Government—Bureau of the Budget.

—K—

Bill Rapley '32 stopped in my office the other day and announced that he is returning to work at the National Archives on Monday next (February 18). He further stated that he intends to bring his newly acquired wife down here with him. This last plan seemed somewhat out of character for Bill, I would have supposed that he would leave her in Indianapolis and commute back and forth.

—K—

The senior partner in my outfit pointed out to me the other day that the new Congressional Directory carries the fact that a former student in the college, Leroy D. Stinebower '26, is now Deputy Director, Office of International Trade Policy, Department of State. I subsequently learned that he is presently in London. I presume he is over there working on plans for the World Conference on Trade and Employment which will convene sometime in June.

—K—

Wilfred Shale '39 is still with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company as one of their Traffic Managers. I was talking to him less than a week ago and he tells me he is anticipating a transfer to Detroit.

—K—

Major Floyd Van Dommelen '38 and his family still live in the District. I haven't seen or heard from the Dutchman for quite some time and can't shed much light on his activities.

—K—

I understand there are some others down here, including John Osborn '36, Mary Frances Miller, 36, and



### NEW TRACK COACH ADDED TO STAFF

LLOYD GROW TO ASSIST  
ALSO IN FOOTBALL

President P. L. Thompson recently announced the addition of Lloyd E. Grow to the coaching staff. He will serve as track coach, football line coach, and assistant basketball coach.

Grow is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, 1929, where he was an outstanding athlete. Following that he played one year of professional football and then took over the coaching reins at Miami, Oklahoma, high school. In 1933 he went to the University of Wyoming.

He went back to Oklahoma in 1938 to be athletic director at Henderson State Teachers College. He is now on terminal leave from the Navy where he served for two and one half years in the physical development program.

Cleora Gagnier '39. I haven't been able to reach them and, therefore, can do no more than indicate their presence.

—K—

Bobsy (Esther Tyler '37) and the kids join me in sending our regards.  
John L. Grabber '39

## Dexter Johnson

# Stockbridge Hall

As one of the greenest freshmen ever to enter Kalamazoo College, I moved into a wonderful place in the fall of 1929. I don't know how it happened, but instead of being assigned a room in Bill's Barn (Williams Hall to the uninitiated, and if you lived there, you weren't long uninitiated; you caught plenty almost every night) I was one of a small group of frosh to be quartered in the newly reopened Stockbridge Hall. As nearly as I can recall, there were three of us green caps living in Stockbridge that year: Dick Williamson, Jim Hosking, and myself. All the rest were juniors and seniors.

From the point of view of Bill's Barn men, Stockbridge was a Godsend. They could come over to our house and use our telephone in peace, buzzing the current lady friend without the interruptions which were to be expected in Williams Hall. There was a nightly parade of these swains, usually right after the closing hour up at Mary Trowbridge House. They'd take the girls to Trowbridge, get them inside and then rush down to Stockbridge and call them on the phone. Great fun!

The top of Stockbridge hill was about twenty-five feet above the level of Carmel Street. The house, set on the hill, was three stories high, plus a cupola on top. From this cupola you could see all over town over the tops of the trees. Roommate Don King and I decided we'd make our room into a study and put our beds in the cupola. The beds fitted exactly and sleeping there was fine except in the late spring when the cooing of the pigeons early in the morning awakened one at far too early an hour. It was from there one night that we saw the start of the Regent Theater fire down on Rose street. We aroused the sleepers downstairs in the attic to join us



in going downtown to watch the theater burn.

The rest of the men living at Stockbridge had followed our example and had placed their beds in the third floor attic, an open space as big as the entire main section of the house. Thus, all the rooms downstairs were uncluttered by beds and were free for ah - ah - study. Those who wanted to study put locks on their doors. Some of the doors were never locked.

I've often wondered how much it cost the college to heat Stockbridge Hall. Undoubtedly several carloads of coal went into its furnace each winter, and I doubt if the college broke even on our room rent.

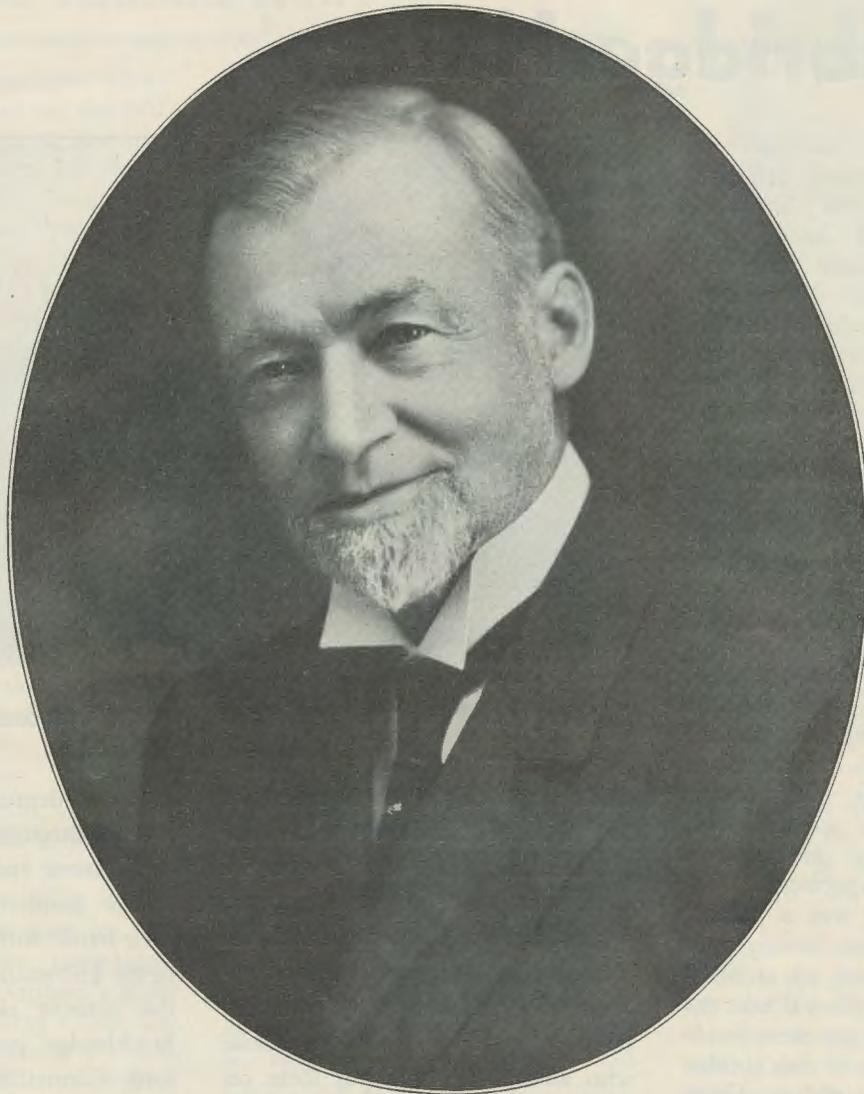
My first year in Stockbridge Hall fulfilled all my high school pictures of college life. We had bull sessions that year that were memorable. Problems of philosophy, politics, and economics were discussed at great length in a way that I have never encountered since. The next year, when those seniors had left, we new sophomores and the upper-classmen who took their places in Stockbridge were not able to put on such intel-

lectual bull sessions. I've often wondered why.

As the depression grew worse and worse, through 1930, 1931, and 1932, more and more of the Stockbridge gentlemen took to soiling their hands with manual labor. I've never known how many yards long the cement sidewalk around the Stockbridge property measured, along Carmel Street and up Main, but several of us became well acquainted with that bit of concrete during the winter weather, keeping it cleared of snow.

The lawn under the trees in the back of Stockbridge was often the scene of mighty mechanical operations on model T automobiles. When a car's clutch bands got so worn that you couldn't drive up the hill in low, but would have to back up the hill, that was time to get a big rope, throw it over the limb of a tree behind the house and hoist up the rear of "Lizzie." In addition to getting a college education, some of the Stockbridge residents became expert at working on the vitals of their cars. And then there was the

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HERBERT LEE STETSON, D.D., L.L.D.

Professor of Psychology and Pedagogy 1900-1926

President, 1912-1922

Chaplain, 1926-1933

Teacher-administrator-preacher—man of vision—moulder of human personalities—inspirer of youth—Christian gentleman.

A modernized curriculum—added endowment—enlarged faculty—salaries more than doubled—100% increase in attendance—gymnasium erected—full-time coaches—athletics with a vim—religion practiced in living—an open forum—pep talks—chapel talks—private interviews—friendliness.

A fine vegetable garden—apples between meals—fruit salad sans pariel—human sympathy—wit and humor—supreme effort—“put it through”—“fight ‘em,” “fight ‘em”, “fight ‘em.”

What else does his picture bring back to you? In 1935, Maynard Owen Williams '10 said of him: “During years to come, this beloved friend will be as genuinely, vividly inspirational as during the quarter century since we sat under him in Bowen Hall.”

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thought to the amount of work and constant financial outlay to make these privileges possible.

This is a changing world. Everyone in these United States lives on a different scale than that of two decades ago. Well trained, specialists in the teaching profession are in demand throughout the area of higher education. These cannot be secured, and no self-respecting educational institution wishes to secure their services at a salary so low they cannot maintain themselves and their family in a fairly respectable manner. Furthermore, the government and industry provide a social security for all employees. Our trustees have in mind that a security should be provided our teaching and administrative staff. This program has now been inaugurated. With an immediate outlay of more than \$125,000.00 a retirement fund has been established. From September 1944 the participating members contribute five percent of their salary to maintain this fund. This five percent of salary from each participant in the retirement plan is matched by a contribution of an equal sum from the college. This takes money. However, alumni and friends have expressed their appreciation and hearty approval of this action of the college.

We have had a great building program in the last twenty years. These fine buildings contribute much toward making our college one of the outstanding small liberal arts colleges of the middle west. But every building means a constant outlay of cash for maintenance and upkeep. It takes something like five percent annually of the building valuation to maintain the building. Our maintenance staff has increased year after year, and wages also have been greatly increased.

The college has a fine student body. Even with the advancing fees, the students who pay the full fees lack much of paying the full cost of their education. We want good students and worthy students. Many of the best and most deserving

young people are not able to secure an education without help. Some of the best of these are selected by our college and helped with a scholarship because of outstanding high school grades along with character and leadership.

By the gifts of many, some large gifts, many smaller gifts, our college has improved as has been pointed out. The very fact that the college has improved has been pointed out. The very fact that the college has reached this eminence means that continued interest and support will be necessary. We cannot maintain our present high standard except as we press on to reach higher standards. We have no doubt but that all alumni and friends will help the college to attain still higher standards.

**BONNIE BEAM STUDENT ON CAMPUS NOW**



Bonnie Beam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney (Mildred Bassett '25) Beam ex'27, is now a freshman student at Kalamazoo College. Miss Beam is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert (Inez

Beam '06) Smith '06.

**Shane ex'18 Promoted**

William S. Shane ex'18 has been promoted to head of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company's commercial department. He has been with the company for 23 years.

**Howard ex'45**

Eleanor Howard ex'45 is in her junior year of nurse's training in Hackley Hospital, Muskegon, Michigan.

**Allen '36**

Glenn S. Allen Jr., '36 has reopened his law office in Kalamazoo. He was elected vice-mayor of the city in the November elections. He served overseas as a captain with the 94th Infantry division.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Peggy McCrimmons '41) Maunders '41 are now living in Lansing. Bob is teaching at the Pattengill Junior High School.

**VETS GROUP ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

The veterans group of Kalamazoo College recently elected new officers for the coming year. They are Robert Aaron, president, Robert Reed, vice-president, and Robert Stowe, secretary-treasurer. The three men attended Kalamazoo College before entering the service. Dr. Leo Hauptman is faculty advisor for the group.

**Sabrosky '31**

Captain Curtis W. Sabrosky '31 of the United States Public Health Service recently authored a small item which appeared in the NEA feature, "This Curious World." The oddity which he quoted was "People who make their mark in the world can't write." Sabrosky is now living in Manning, South Carolina.

**Masselink '31**

Bruce H. Masselink '31 is now a member of the Board of trustees of Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa. He is currently living in Burlington, Iowa.

**Olson '44**

Miss Shirley Olson '44 of the personnel department, Sears, Roebuck has been transferred to Aurora, Illinois.

**MEETING FOR ALUMNI IN GRAND RAPIDS**

Kalamazoo College will have a meeting at the Northern Baptist Convention, Wednesday, May 22, in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The meeting will be a dinner in the Grace Episcopal Church.

Tickets for this event may be secured at the convention headquarters in Grand Rapids at the time of the event. It is hoped that all alumni, ex-students, and friends of the College in Grand Rapids area will make an effort to attend this event.

**New York Alumni Meeting**

A meeting of the New York chapter of the Kalamazoo College Alumni Association was held March 22 at the home of Dr. Charles Bock '29. The purpose of the meeting was for reorganization of the group and to arrange for a dinner.

## Arnold Mulder

### "SPEAKING OF BOOKS"—

Upton Sinclair, who has said many true as well as many foolish things, once made the fantastically absurd assertion that Shelley is a greater poet than Shakespeare—because the former was a radical socialist and the latter a conservative advocate of a capitalist system.

I have just been reading a recent biographical treatment of the poet Upton Sinclair called the "greatest mind the English race has produced." It is called "Portrait of Shelley," and it is by Newman Ivey White. My purpose, here and now, is not to review it or even to comment on it, or on Shelley as a poet. Certain poems of Shelley's, like "To a Skylark," "Adonais," "Ode to the West Wind," I have loved all my life as among the greatest in our language. But his political radicalism had nothing to do with Shelley's greatness as a poet, as Upton Sinclair would have us believe.

While reading Mr. White's book I could not help marveling at the incurable inconsistency of human beings, even of the best and greatest. With all his faults, Shelley was kind and gentle and tolerant and generous. He also was a crackpot and a fool; he was mentally unstable and he could not always distinguish between fact and fancy. But it was his political philosophy in contrast with his personal life that revealed his greatest inconsistency.

As the heir to a considerable fortune, a fortune that his grandfather



Arnold Mulder

and English law had tied up for him so that his own father could not deprive him of it, he never was under the necessity of earning a shilling. As a radical socialist he was bitter against all those engaged in business. The money he made in trade was blood money, in his opinion. He even heaped contempt on men like Wordsworth who, once radicals themselves, had accepted jobs from a government Shelley despised, because they had to earn money or starve.

All this time Shelley was throwing money around like a drunken sailor. He borrowed against his fortune, before he was of age, and later he dissipated his money with an irresponsible imprudence that must shock anyone who has ever tried to make his own way. The economic system under which he lived was all wrong, he thought; he damned it with an unrestraint that was almost fantastic.

Yet that fortune that he had in-

herited had been made in that same way, by his grandfather and those who had preceded him. All his life Shelley was, in terms of economics, a parasite. The money he spent lavishly on books and works of art, on trips to Ireland to help that country win its liberty, on worthless relatives and friends whose sense of economic integrity was even more shadowy than his own, on relieving the distress of the poor and down-trodden—that money had been made out of the sweat and blood of the poor according to his own theory of economics.

It does not appear to have occurred to Shelley that he as a person had no right to that wealth if he really wanted to live in accordance with his own economic philosophy. Easy enough for him to cast aspersions on men like Wordsworth for compromising with the necessity to make a living. He himself never once worked in the sweat of his brow, never earned a day's food for himself and his family; in terms of economics all he ever did was draw checks on his bankers.

That fact does not make him a poorer poet; he belongs among the great in England's literature. But neither does his radicalism make him a "greater poet than Shakespeare." In those days, even as today, economics and aesthetics are sometimes confused.

## BIRCH '27 NOW IN NEW YORK

Loren W. Birch '27 has assumed the pastorate of the Community Church in Perry, New York. He was recently discharged from the army after three years service as a chaplain. At the time of release he held the rank of captain. Before entering the army he had held pastorates in Manitou Beach, Michigan, Regia, New York, Groten, New York, and New Haven, New York.

## NEW COVER STOCK

The Cover of this issue of the Alumnus is the first to appear made of heavier stock. This stock was obtained through George K. Ferguson '13 who is president of the Watervliet Paper Co. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Kalamazoo College.

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L. M. Dellinger ex'15 is now chief engineer and production manager for the Daunt Corporation, Brooklyn, New York.

## JOHN MINAR DIES IN CHICAGO

John Minar ex'05, husband of Ruby Lamb Minar '06, died recently in Chicago. For many years he was employed on various newspapers throughout Michigan and at the time of his death was employed by the International News Service in Chicago. Mrs. Minar is now living in Miami Springs, Florida.



# ALUMNI LETTERS



To the Editor: Luce (Luce Schmidt '24) has written several cards and letters since the liberation. As you probably know she was a member of the French underground, living in constant dread of the Nazis. Although she had a rather lively time in Paris during the liberation, she suffered no harm. The worst time was between June and September when they were without light and gas and the food situation was so uncertain. They had to cook on a little tin stove with paper balls for fuel.

Just prior to the liberation she and her aged mother were in Touraine, about 150 miles from Paris. All transportation was stopped so they began a 150 mile trek back to Paris on foot. One night while stopping at a hotel enroute, the place was bombed, just a few yards from them. This long hike took them a week.

In Paris alone, 75,000 people were killed by the Germans, thousands dying under torture of unspeakable cruelty. In the big cities food was very scarce—she managed to obtain some from the underground stores—but the prices were exorbitant. Food was plentiful in the country but they had no trucks, no fuel, and no tires to transport it into the city. The railroads had been destroyed, or if repaired, were used mostly for military purposes.

The winters were terrible. They were freezing in their fireless homes. Gas was distributed only a few hours a day. A room was warm at 50 degrees. Her mother had to stay in bed most of the time to keep warm.

Thelma E. Shinville '24

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To the Editor: Received the November *Alumnus* and I thank you. I enjoy it very much.

Elmer H. Nevins ex'10

To the Editor: I have been in this country for four years now, having left Egypt when it became unsafe to stay there because of the war situation. My husband came home a year later for two years of furlough and returned to Egypt last summer. The children and I are in New Concord (Ohio) for the present. I hope to join Mr. Nolin in Egypt as soon as the younger children are old enough to leave here on their own. I hope sometime while we are in this section of the country that I may be able to visit Kalamazoo but I fear not many of the friends I used to know are still around.

Ruth Hemenway Nolin ex'17

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To the Editor: And I still haven't gotten back to Kalamazoo to see you—oh, my it's a busy world we live in. It's hard to tell when I will get up. We don't have any vacations for the rest of the school year but we do get out May 9 so perhaps both Bob and I can come to visit.

Bob is fine and still in Germany. His latest letter indicated that he would in all probability be home around April 15.

Doris Bunch Braithwaite ex'44

## STARKWEATHER OPENS NEW ACCOUNTING OFFICE



Paul Starkweather ex'32 has opened offices in Kalamazoo as a certified public accountant. He received his masters' degree in 1934 from the University of Michigan and was awarded his CPA certificate in 1939.

To the Editor: You cannot imagine the pleasure I received when I turned to pages 10 and 11 of the January issue of the *Alumnus*.

I entered Kalamazoo College in the fall of 1898 and finished in June of 1902. All my recitations and lab work were in old Kalamazoo Hall, and I roomed in the "Old Dorm," as we called it.

How many times have I gone down the walk by the south end of Mirror Lake, across the tracks, and across the old athletic field to chapel and recitations in Kalamazoo Hall.

I saw Bowen Hall erected when I roomed in the southwest corner of the "Old Dorm." Well do I remember the day when the slab with the name "Bowen Hall" above the east entrance was put in place. In the first attempt the hoisting tackle broke and the slab was plunged into the earth.

I wish to thank the staff of the *Alumnus* for a look at these pictures.

Charles A. Simpson '02

## HERBERT WOOD DIES IN BANGOR

Herbert A. Wood '08 died February 23 in Bangor, Michigan. He had been ill for about three weeks.

After graduation from Kalamazoo College he served for a time as principal of the Bangor high school and then as superintendent of the Gobles school. Later he purchased the Bangor Advance of which he was publisher at the time of his death.

During his lifetime he was very active in community affairs and in 1944 received the Farney W. Clement Memorial Award from the Bangor Kiwanis Club for outstanding community service. From 1922 until 1928 he served as secretary of the Michigan Press Association.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Wood and the brother of Mrs. Allen B. Stowe '21.

## ALUMNI GROUP ELECTS OFFICERS

### HELLENGA, ROSS AND CASLER NAMED WINNERS

The poll for new national alumni officers closed February 15. At that time ballots were counted and Donald Hellinga '34 was declared winner of the presidential ballot. Other winners were Mary Jane Ross '30 as vice president and Ernest Casler '25 as member of the executive committee.

These three persons succeed in office Donald Anderson '33, Katharine Dukette '27, and Donald Doubleday ex'26, respectively.

Hellinga now lives in Kalamazoo where he is associated with the Shakespeare Company. He also instructs at Kalamazoo College. Miss



Casler

Ross

Ross is now teaching at Vine Junior high school in Kalamazoo, and Casler is also associated with the Shakespeare Company.

Along with Casler other members of the executive committee are Charlotte Rickman Wiedoeft '32 whose term expires in 1946 and M. Lee Johnson '29 whose term expires in 1947.

Secretary-treasurer of the alumni organization is Everett R. Hames '33.

Also Mr. Hames is chairman of the faculty alumni committee. Other members of this committee are Dr. M. H. Dunsmore '20, Dr. T. O. Walton '14, Mrs. Mary Warner '13, Miss Virginia Earl ex'26, and Miss Constance Peck '43.

Harold B. Allen '21 is alumni representative to the Board of Trustees and Dr. Justin H. Bacon is director of alumni research.



Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. (Ruth Light-foot ex '39) Cordell announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Mae, January 18.

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T/5 and Mrs. Richard Elsbey '41 announce the birth of a son, January 5 in Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew (Grace Hutchins '27) Murch '29 announce the birth of a son, December 31, in Borgess Hospital, Kalamazoo.

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Mr. and Mrs. John (Laurene McCrimmon '35) Schaberg ex'30 announce the birth of a son, January 11, in Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buntaine '39 announced the birth of a son January 9 in City Hospital, Maywood, Illinois.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jean (Elinor Stickan '43) Webster '41 announced the birth of a son, Thomas Jean, November 22 in Madison, Wisconsin.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. (Ellen Jones '41) Tharp announced the birth of a son, N. Bruce, November 2, 1945 in Catonsville, Maryland.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alan (Virginia Pierson ex'37) Kirk announced the birth of a daughter September 17, 1945 in Fairgrove, Michigan.

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Mr. and Mrs. Irving L. (Martha Ann Williams ex'36) Bean announced the birth of a daughter, Anne Carolyn, October 3, 1945 in Kalamazoo.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon G. Bogart '41 announced the birth of a daughter, Diana Lynn, September 28, 1945 in Jackson, Michigan.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Feinstein '37, February 2 in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Thomas, Jr., ex'44 announced the birth of a son, Stephen William, November 15, 1945 in Oak Park, Illinois. Bill is now flying for United Air Lines.

## COLLEGE TAKES PART IN SPEECH ACTIVITIES OF LEAGUE AT PRE-WAR PACE

Kalamazoo College is this year, again, participating in the events sponsored by the Michigan Intercollegiate Speech League.

The first of these events took place at Hillsdale College on November 16. It was the men's and women's extemporaneous speaking contest. K. College won second in the men's event and third in the women's. Inez Goss and Ohmer Curtiss represented us.

On February 16 four College debaters competed in the Michigan Intercollegiate debate tournament at Michigan State College, East Lansing. Our representatives were: Affirmative, Patricia McIntyre, Anne Martin; Negative, Don Griffith, Bob Johnston. Our women debated Calvin, Hope, and Michigan State, winning from Hope and Michigan State. Our negative team debated Western Michigan, Michigan State, and Calvin, winning all three rounds. This gave us a total of six debates; 5 won and 1 lost.

About 12 men and women are preparing to participate in the Freshman debates to be held sometime in April at Central Michigan. This tournament is for beginning debaters.

March 8, Kalamazoo College sent two orators, Maxine Bailey and Bob Reed, to Wayne University to compete in the women's and men's oratorical contest sponsored by the college speech league. In the state competition Reed placed first among the men and Miss Bailey placed fourth among the women.

In May the Interpretative Reading events will be held at Calvin College. We will have four participants.

On April 26 College Players will produce Sir James Barrie's "The Admirable Crichton". This play will be produced in Bowen Auditorium. The plans are being completed for the production of a play during Commencement Week at the Civic Auditorium.



Back Row—Robert Weimer, mgr., Stan Hyatt, Steven Dunk, Tom Nowlen, Coach Bob Nulf. Middle Row—Bob VanderRoest, Gary Brown, Jay Santman, Jim Wetherbee, Wendell Discher. Front Row—Gus Birtsas, Bob App, Hal Hinckley, Bob Rooney, Jack Marlette.

## TENNIS SQUAD GOES SOUTH

### SIX SCHOOLS TO BE FACED ON SPRING TRIP

Men's varsity tennis is moving back on the sport program. Coach Allen B. Stowe has announced that another spring trip will be taken this year for the first time since 1942.

Coach Stowe has always had great success on southern trips and is looking forward to a good schedule this spring. After returning from the south a large schedule begins which includes five Big Ten schools.

Among those being counted on this year are Eric Pratt, John Thompson, Homer Shoop, Bob Stowe, Nick Beresky, Bob Johnston, and Arthur Leighton. Only Pratt and Thompson have played varsity tennis for Dr. Stowe previously. Both were members of the 1942 group.

- April 1 at Clemson College
- 2 at Davidson College
- 3 at U. of North Carolina
- 4 at Duke University
- 5 at William and Mary
- 6 at U. of Virginia
- 8 at Ohio State
- 19 at Northwestern
- 20 at Illinois Tech.
- 26 at Indiana
- 27 at De Pauw
- May 5 Alma
- 8 Illinois Tech (am)
- 8 Albion
- 11 at Hope
- 17 MIAA Tourney at Albion
- 18 MIAA Tourney at Albion
- 20 at Wayne University
- 21 at U. of Michigan
- 25 at Wisconsin
- 30 Wayne University

## CAGERS CLOSE SECOND SEASON WITH NULF AT .500 MARK

Kalamazoo College cagers completed their second season under Coach Robert W. Nulf with a .500 record for sixteen games. In the unofficial MIAA race the Hornets were third with a record of five wins and three defeats.

Non-conference competition proved to be a stumbling block as two games were dropped to Michigan Normal and Central Michigan and one game went to Calvin.

Hope was the only school in the conference to ring up two wins over Kalamazoo. They copped the Kalamazoo show by three points and came from behind to win on their own floor by one point.

One of the major highlights of the season came when the team journeyed to Albion for the second encounter with the Britons. Interest had risen to a fever pitch by that time and four bus loads of fans went along to cheer on the team.

Albion led for most of the first half but Kalamazoo knotted the count at the half time, 24-all. Then in the second half the Britons jumped out to a substantial lead until

finally with ten minutes left to play the Hornets again tied it up. Soon after that Albion lost its scoring ace on personal fouls and Kalamazoo had little trouble establishing a commanding lead which they maintained until the end.

There was only one senior on this year's squad so Coach Bob Nulf will have plenty of returning material to base his next year's squad on. Jim Wetherbee is the sole player not returning for another season of play.

Season results are as follows:

- Kalamazoo 52, Muskegon JC 23
- Kalamazoo 40, Mich. Normal 54
- Kalamazoo 45, Calvin 47
- Kalamazoo 44, Mich. Normal 55
- Kalamazoo 45, Central Mich. 62
- Kalamazoo 64, Alma 41
- Kalamazoo 41, Hope 44
- Kalamazoo 27, Albion 41
- Kalamazoo 73, Muskegon JC 58
- Kalamazoo 60, Hillsdale 30
- Kalamazoo 46, Hope 47
- Kalamazoo 44, Alma 38
- Kalamazoo 44, Calvin 42
- Kalamazoo 56, Albion 53
- Kalamazoo 40, Central Mich. 56
- Kalamazoo 56, Hillsdale 46

## FRED SPEYER '39 WRITES RECENT ARTICLE

Fred B. Speyer '39 was the author of a recent article appearing in the magazine, "Packaging Parade." This article dealt with the application of laminating and coating compositions for papers, plastic films, and metal foils. At present Speyer is serving as research chemist for the American Resinous Chemical Corporation of Peabody, Massachusetts.

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night when one of the cars burned up—not completely, but just “sort of.” It was suggested that perhaps a lighted cigarette with a touch of lipstick on it had fallen down back of the seat cushions.

The real title of the dormitory, “Stockbridge Hall for Gentlemen,” came about from the telephone. Being fully impressed with the superiority of our living quarters over those endured by inmates of the Palais William (just another name for Williams Hall), the freshman on the telephone duty was instructed to say, when he took the receiver off the hook, “This is Stockbridge Hall for Gentlemen, ten rooms, three baths on Carmel Street.” There was no comma following the word “baths.” We thought that was very clever.

In the living room of Stockbridge was an upright piano. I believe it was Jim Hosking’s idea to have it tuned. He called Grinnell’s and a tuner came up. The piano probably was in very poor condition, for it stayed tuned about half an hour, thereafter being more out of tune than before. I never knew who paid the tuner. Perhaps Hosking did.

The house had been built back in the 1880’s by Michigan’s Senator Stockbridge. He made his fortune in lumbering and, like a true lumberman, had put some fine examples of woodwork into his home. In its day the house was one of the show-places of Kalamazoo. And there was a set of ceramic tiles forming a border around the fireplace in the living room which was unusual. Each tile represented a scene from a Shakespearean play. There must have been a dozen different scenes in that fireplace front.

Stockbridge Hall was closed following my junior year, and many of us moved over to Williams Hall. Thus ended its collegiate career, begun in the early 1920’s when it had been used temporarily as a women’s residence.

So now its gone and tennis courts are going to take its place. Its life as a dormitory was short, but it was fun while it lasted. I had a mouse,

caught him one night in my waste basket where he had gone after cookie crumbs, dumped him out of the window and found him back in the waste basket the following night. Truly a gentlemanly mouse and a good judge of cookie crumbs—a Stockbridge mouse. I wonder where his descendants live now?

**TENNIS CONTRACT AWARDED COLLEGE****NATIONAL MEETS GIVEN FOR FIVE YEAR TERM**

Kalamazoo College was recently awarded a five year contract for the National Juniors and Boys Tennis Championships by the United States Lawn Tennis Association. For the past three years this event has been played on the Stowe courts.

To properly take care of these tournaments work on the new courts is being rushed in an effort

to have them ready by August when the tournaments will take place in Kalamazoo.

For the past three years the tournaments have been under the direction of Dr. Allen B. Stowe, head of the chemistry department and tennis coach of Kalamazoo College. Through his diligent efforts the tournaments have always been a success.

The nine courts will be constructed on the old Stockbridge property, Main and Carmel streets. Trees have been removed from the property and bulldozers have started the work of leveling the land.

Plans have been changed slightly from those originally prepared and now there will be six courts aligned from east to west along Main street and south of them there will be three courts in a natural amphitheater.



Nydia Jane Brenner '40 and Captain George Allerdice were married in the Percy Jones Hospital chapel, January 26. They will make their home in St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Announcement was made of the marriage of Joan Stuart ex'46 and Bruce Mason '46, October 14, in Kalamazoo.

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Louis Kuitert '39 and Miss Eva Dunningan were married January 26 in Lynchburg, Ohio. Kuitert has resumed work at the University of Kansas.

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Frederick B. Speyer '39 and Miss Evelyn Louise Seeley were married January 19 in Danvers, Massachusetts.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bernard L. (Ruth Wheaton '06) Johnson '06 announced the marriage of their daughter, Melinda Elizabeth ex'41, to Walter G. Gutt, January 19 in Seattle, Washington.

The engagement of Dr. Paul F. Wallace ex'42 and Miss Dorothy Hopkins, Richmond, Virginia, was announced recently. Dr. Wallace is now resident orthopedist at the Medical College of Virginia.

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Mr. and Mr. Louis K. Stevens, Dowagiac, announced recently the engagement of their daughter, Shirley, '45 to George W. Otis '46.

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Announcement was recently made of the engagement of Annie McNeil '44 and Daniel M. Ryan '42. Ryan is now attending Michigan State College.

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The engagement of George E. McAllister ex '43 and Miss Rose Pregon of Yonkers, New York, was announced recently.

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Pauli Hartung '42 and Warren Owens '43 were married January 29 in Anderson, Indiana. Maid of honor was Helen Glaser '46 and best man was Robert Ash '43.

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Mildred Every ex'31 and Palmer Rogers were married September 30, 1945 in Tucson, Arizona.

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Jack Ragotzy '50 and Miss Betty Ebert were married in Kalamazoo, February 5.

## FORMER STUDENT TELLS OF LEAVING AND RETURNING TO KALAMAZOO

### GIVES INSIGHT INTO LIVES OF SOLDIER-STUDENTS

By Robert Dewey

About three years ago a young man walked one day to the foot of the campus drive, on his way to the train station, home, and the army. He stopped at the Academy street entrance, turned and looked back on a fair Arcadian hill: Stetson Chapel, wise and straight against the sky, seemed to wish him luck; Hoben Hall, warm and friendly in the afternoon sun, appeared to be asking him, "Have you forgotten anything?"; green oak trees, towering above the spacious quadrangle, waved to him in silent farewell. His feet moved him down the street but the scene he had just looked upon remained in his mind. He found himself thinking, "I am leaving one of the finest parts of my life behind me on that hill. I'll never be in the same ideal situation again."

The scene stayed in his mind for a long time—so long that it wasn't strange when, two months ago, he found himself once more on college walks. The scene had not changed outwardly. How wonderful it was to be back!

But how to reconcile himself to the years missed; to the changes that had occurred in his own personality? There were, it seemed to him, some stumbling blocks attached to this job of becoming a college student once more. He had heard the word "readjustment" so often that he wasn't certain about its meaning or validity. Then suddenly it applied to his own life, and he began to understand.

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The student returning to college after a period in some branch of the service has grown older. He has picked up two, three or four years but, more than that, he has achieved a certain maturity. His has been a unique experience—unique within the realm of his own life—an experience which has changed the shape of his character, to a greater or lesser, a better or worse degree.

The rays of the sun cannot be



*Dewey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Evert (Elizabeth Blanchard ex '17) Dewey '13 and has recently returned from service where he served overseas as a chaplain's assistant.*

turned back. The soldier-returned cannot pick up where he left off as though he had never been away. The intervening years, between his departure from and arrival again on the campus, cannot be wiped out.

Readjustment is a word with meaning.

The average soldier has lived a period of his life under tension. Whether or not he has been conscious of the tension makes little difference. The fact that he was in the service, by itself, was enough to create tension. If he served overseas perhaps the tension was increased. The reason for the tension can be expressed in the statement "Soldiers are often killed. Many are seriously wounded."

"Living on the brink of eternity" describes the life that many men knew. Or, if they did not know it themselves, they knew of it, in other men, or as it was expressed in situations.

This tension and uncertainty made the soldier's life little more than an existence—an existence shorn of play-time, frivolity and ease; filled

with an acute awareness of time and its fleeting quality, and a new, penetrating regard for the true values of life.

So was the experience a thing to change men. So was it unique to each, within the realm of his own life. Whether he be dull, sensitive, normal, abnormal—whatever—most individual's eyes were opened to new horizons. In every man fundamental changes occurred. Changes which, whether or not they manifest themselves, are real and alter the shape and size of character.

Now, as an older, more mature person, the veteran returns to Kalamazoo. He finds no outward physical changes but the students seem so young; there seems to be so much chatter, so little depth. He finds affectation. What is it these people are doing here? Where is the sacrifice, the devotion to cause, the sincerity he has come to regard as commonplace? How can he fit into this pattern of seeming-frivolity, play-time, and ease?

He withholds judgment. He perseveres. Slowly he begins to understand that the tension is not so great now. He sees that the sense of urgency, so apparent during the war, has diminished. He realizes that the world moves at a slower pace toward its more obscure peace-time objectives than it did when strife and conflict divided it. He begins to wonder if the world is like Shakespeare's Hamlet, who could muster all his capacities and energies for action only when there was murder to commit.

As classes and college life absorb him, he begins to see that this institution has not changed fundamentally. Its aim remains steadfast; to contribute in every possible way to the character, intelligence and general growth of its students. He knows, because of what he has seen and where he has been in his absence, that this aim is worthy and vital.

By virtue of his presence he makes a contribution to his environment. His maturity and improved sense of values permeate the college world.

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## ★ Military Parade ★

First Lieutenant Jack Bockleman '42 recently received the Bronze Star medal and the Purple Heart in ceremonies at the Vaughan General Hospital, Hines, Illinois.

Both medals were given "for meritorious achievement while in contact with the enemy at Hamnreddingen, Germany, February 18, 1945." He has been a patient at Vaughan Hospital since his return to the United States about a year ago.

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Mace Crandall '26 is now serving as assistant district chaplain of the Seventh naval district. He recently was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Commander, USNR.

Merrill Brink ex'45 was recently promoted to Lt. (jg) in the Navy. He is now on duty with a supply unit in Seattle, Washington.

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Dr. Paul G. Schrier '22 has resumed practice in Kalamazoo after 39 months in the Navy.

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Robert K. Purcell '33 has returned as a hardware salesman for Hibbard, Spencer, and Bartlett after two years in Chicago as a Naval Lieutenant.

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Walter Hadley ex'44 is now editor of the army newspaper, "Howitzer," in Germany. He is stationed near Munchberg, Germany.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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teams but it is even more important to provide the equipment which makes it possible for *all* students to build healthy strong bodies. Here is a big idea. It is finding expression.

This spring we are planning the 110th annual commencement, details of which are given on page 3. All alumni are cordially invited for all activities.

For the year ahead we will have the alumni Improvement Fund drive

again. Morlan Grandbois, '31, will serve as chairman. Did you out of town alumni know that here in Kalamazoo a personal drive for funds is put on each year? Friends of the college as well as alumni contribute. Of the \$28,250 raised last year, over \$20,000 was given by friends of the college. Last year 19.4% of the alumni contributed, compared to 12.7% in 1941. Progress has been made. Last year we were hoping to have 25% of the alumni give. Let's make that goal this year.

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will be held at Albion on May 17 and 18. Our prospects in the spring sports seem fairly good. I have a good group out for tennis and I have arranged a fine schedule which includes a ten-day Spring vacation trip into Virginia and North and South Carolina, where we are to meet the best teams in that area. The schedule also includes matches with five Western Conference teams.

Work is going forward on Angell Field and we plan on dedicating the new field with the Homecoming football game next fall. I am happy to report that the committee in charge of raising funds for the new tennis courts to be constructed on the former Stockbridge property was successful in raising \$51,000—a thousand dollars more than the goal which had been set. Many of you contributed to this fund, and we wish to take this opportunity of thanking each of you. Work is already under way, and we hope that it may be completed by mid-July in time for the National Junior and Boys' Tennis Championships, which tournament has been awarded to Kalamazoo College for the next five

Our big event this year will be Homecoming, October 19, the first real Homecoming since 1942. H. Colin Hackney, '30, is chairman. There will be a banquet and dance. The game will be played at Angell Field and it is planned to have the new stadium built and the field dedicated on that day.

Alumni clubs should find renewed activities again throughout the country. If you do not have a club in your city and would like to begin one write to the alumni office for a list of alumni in your area and for suggestions about how to organize a club and keep it active.

The new Alumnus magazine, which was begun last year under the guidance of Everett Hames and Don Anderson, and is now being ably edited by Russell Strong, has proved exceptional in every respect. We plan to continue it.

Dues will be solicited. New alumni are paying about one-third of the cost of our alumni program. We should eventually pay a larger share of this cost.

As soon as folks are more or less settled in their post war jobs a new Alumni Directory will be published.

We have a full year ahead for the alumni of Kalamazoo College. Your officers are proud to accept the responsibilities you have given them. Your help is needed to make our program successful.

years. With the completion of these nine new clay courts, together with the permanent stands which are to be constructed, the college will have a tennis stadium of which you can be justly proud.

Many of you have been wondering how the veteran at Kalamazoo is fitting into the academic picture upon his return from service. I am most happy to say that my impressions are that we have a very serious-minded and earnest group of men, all of whom are anxious to get on with their education without further delay. They seem to know what they want and they don't seem to be having too much trouble getting back into the swing of academic life again. To adequately provide for their needs as well as those of the rest of our student body has meant many adjustments for most members of the faculty. The administration and faculty at Kalamazoo College seem determined, however, to make whatever adjustments are necessary in order to make it possible for the veteran to resume his place in our Fellowship in Learning.

Allen B. Stowe

## DR. BACON CONTINUES SEARCH FOR NEW ADDRESSES FOR ALUMNI

### IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE ON THIS LIST DROP US A LINE

Dr. Justin Bacon, director of Alumni Research, is making a valiant effort to bring up to date all addresses and information on alumni and ex-students of Kalamazoo College. Below is published a list of names and class years of students which Dr. Bacon has been unable to contact. It is hoped that other alumni may be able to supply addresses or other information of many of the people.

- '96 Rev. Almon J. Hutchins
- '99 Mary E. Sinclair-Grabel
- '00 Ernest A. Wreidt
- '01 Merrit L. Hoblit
- '02 Ella K. Chamberlain-Smith
- '05 Zoe Hutchins-Watson
- '07 Charles L. Williams
- '10 Miles Irish, Russell A. Norton
- '11 Marian H. Davis
- '12 Floyd E. Bowen, Sigrid S. Johnson
- '15 Chester A. Wells
- '17 John H. Crowe
- '18 George A. Arnold
- '19 Winifred Richmond-Prescott
- '20 Mary L. Davis, Martin Larson, R. Palmer Moore, Alice Pease-Miller
- '21 Harold Andrews, Coleman Che-

- ney, C. J. Ennis, Ruth Fitch-Osborn
- '22 John L. Clark, Ralph F. Clay, Phede Lamke, J. Victor Malcomson
- '23 Ruth Angell-Clay, Mary E. Elmer
- '25 Rex Kennedy, Irma Whitmore-Carl
- '26 Lloyd Breninger, Bertha Briggs, R. Kenneth Compton
- '27 Leona Culver, Lucy McGrath, Helen Monningh-Gulser, Thomas Shepherd, Perry C. Spencer, Herbert Vogt, Howard M. Whitney
- '28 Kenneth Eitelbur
- '29 William S. Downey, James E. Finlay, Harriet Hosking-Simsell, Elva V. Stinson, Eva Wilson-Foote
- '30 Martha Bradford, Royal J. Gibson, Russell E. Phillips
- '31 Alexander Angel, Charles A. Baker, Edith Chatterten, Verne L. Riley
- '32 Frances Baldwin, George Knight, Thornton Smith, John Veenstra, Adelaide Kaiser, Joseph W. Stasikelis
- '34 Stanley Calfas, Thomas W. Walton
- '36 Ford Kettle
- '39 Barbara R. Taylor-Carnegie
- '39 Olive Kelsey-Keskidelo, David Levene

## Commencement

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lotte Rickman Wiedoeft the class of '35.

Mr. Hellenga outlined a 1946 program which he hopes can be accomplished. The following items were mentioned.

1. Revision of Alumni Directory.
2. Local directories for club use.
3. Reviving of old clubs and organizing of new clubs.
4. A larger percentage of alumni as contributors to the Improvement Fund and payers of dues.
5. Homecoming-Commencement.
6. Getting more ideas from alumni themselves.

Everett R. Hames, Secretary

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He was back again on college walks. He seemed to see things clearly now. Perhaps there is some time for playing; frivolity and chatter may have their function; maybe the depth lies in places where it can't be seen. Without making him feel out of place they have let him figure these things out for himself.

As he turned his eyes toward Stetson Chapel its solid lines and stately look seemed to say to him, "Go on now—we're glad to have you back—but go on now."

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