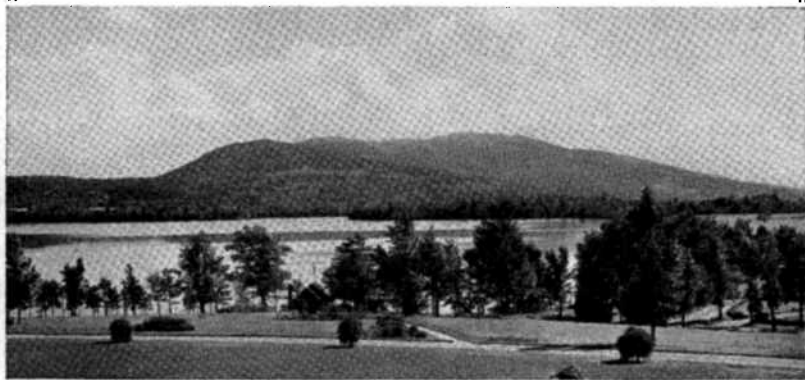


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"Here Nature has given much by withholding much. Here man found his birthright, the privilege of struggle."

—*Seiple*



THE ALUMNI GYM

Here is the new gym, for which our alumni have contributed so generously and so completely. Early in March, with appropriate dedicatory exercises, the structure was put to the use for which it was intended. There has already been a noticeable change in student attitudes and activities as a result of this use. President Atwood hopes to add the swimming pool to the unit before very long. With the auditorium and library addition now under construction this work promises to add further attractiveness to the school for incoming students. Dr. Atwood has been watching the progress of the present construction with considerable pleasure, making quite frequent use of his camera too.

WE THANK YOU!

The editors of the *MONADNOCK* and the president of the Clark University Geographical Society take this opportunity of thanking the alumni for their whole-hearted co-operation in the preparation of this issue. Your response to our request for donations and case histories has been most gratifying, for our little magazine could scarcely have been published with the one and without the other.

We hope that this *MONADNOCK* meets with your approval, and serves to keep you in touch with your classmates. It is our attempt to assist in the maintenance of unity among the geography alumni, and with your example before us, we feel sure that the student body realizes the great value of this close co-operation between the workroom group and the former students.

We thank you!

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ALUMNI ACTIONS

Agnes M. Allen (Ph.D., 1937), associate professor of geography and education, State Teachers College, Flagstaff, Arizona, reports that she travelled extensively in the southwestern United States in the summer of 1937 and is now working on a course on the geography of Arizona in 1938.

Esther S. Anderson (Ph.D., 1932) continues her teaching duties at Nebraska. She attended the Ann Arbor meetings as well as the meetings of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers at Denver last summer where she read a paper on her research concerning variability in crop and livestock production. Dr. Anderson and Dr. Earl E. Lackey have been collaborating in recent months on the manuscript of a forthcoming book.

Eula V. Avery (A.M., 1929), principal of the Mack School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, spent a month in Mexico last summer.

Carleton Barnes (Ph.D., 1929) of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, was elected last year to the Association of American Geographers.

Ruth Baugh (Ph.D., 1929) hopes to drop in on Clark at the start of the summer before she sails for Europe for an extended trip in western Europe and into the Mediterranean

region before and after the International Congress. She is foregoing her present research on geographic problems in the Sierra Nevada and by-paths of California for the summer, but next fall will find her as busy as ever as assistant professor at U. C. L. A.

Nels A. Bengtson (Ph.D., 1927), Professor and Chairman of the Department of Geography at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, is working hard at his duties as editor of a series of books in college geography for Prentice-Hall Publishing Company. During the past year his services as an expert witness have been utilized by Nebraska in a lawsuit with Colorado and Wyoming concerning water rights on the Platte River. For the tenth consecutive summer, Dr. Bengtson returns to New York to teach economic geography in the Summer Session at Columbia University. He expects to make an extensive study of land utilization in the deep South during the summer.

Lloyd B. Black (A.M., 1936) has had an interesting year. During the winter of 1937, he taught with Norman Carls in Oregon. In the spring he coached tennis and took courses in education. Summer found him teaching at Ypsilanti, Mich., and winter, a graduate student in the Department of Geography, University of Michigan. "Blackie" presented a paper on the Willamette Valley of Ore-

gon at the A. A. G. meeting in Ann Arbor.

Carl J. Blomfield (A.M., 1934) taught summer school at Southeastern State Teachers College, Durant, Oklahoma, and is employed at present in the Detroit public schools. On August 14, 1937, he was married to Gertrude Grady (A.M., 1935) with Gordon Darkenwald acting as best man.

Hans Boesch (a student here in 1934-35) writes a long letter from Quaiarah (Iraq), where he has been field geologist for BOD, that he will be in Switzerland this summer. "Please extend my kindest regards to the staff and especially to my old friend, the Commander of the A.E.F., Mr. Burnham. . . . I read with some hidden horror, that Ruben's radio is working now all day long in the work room; how in — can you work with that noise around you?? Two stations only, but probably at the same time . . . it sounds worse than Jimmie's old typewriter in '34, and that was bad enough. It was only in those moments that I felt and noticed a certain difference between your country and my own; but I think that I was only not yet fit for the states, not hard boiled enough. Otherwise, everything was, as I said, O.K.

Congratulations for the new buildings; I saw the pictures in the Worcester papers. President Atwood starting the job together with a big steam shovel. Dr. Ek presenting a medal, etc., and I watched the whole process to the good end. . . .

Most cordially yours,

(Signed) Hans

P.S. If anyone should inquire about my family, such are the facts; no mate so far, not even that famous silver line over the horizon. Field geology is a rotten job for ladies and it's better to watch only one than two, or three, or four . . . and anyway, the ones who know me, can tell you, how bashful I really am."

Adelbert K. Botts (Ph.D., 1934) will teach in the 1938 Clark University

Summer School, after which he will leave with his family for a year in Auckland, New Zealand, where he will teach at the Auckland Teacher's College. Mr. E. G. Jones is coming from New Zealand to teach in Dr. Botts place at State Normal College, Cortland, New York. Last summer Dr. Botts taught in the Summer School at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. He recently has been doing research in temperature inversions in Northern Appalachian Plateau Valleys.

Fred K. Branom (Ph.D., 1923), of the Department of Social Studies, Chicago Normal College, writes a very newsy letter and warns the present crowd of Clark students against spending too much time in the new gym. Dr. Branom is as busy as ever with his books and teaching.

William B. Brierly (A.M., 1936), Fellow in Hygiene and Preventive Medicine in the School of Medicine, George Washington University; quite a title for a geographer! Bill is really doing some fascinating work on the geography of disease and expects to remain in Washington all summer in order to complete it, but intends to work for his Ph.D. next year.

Herbert Burgy (Ph.D., 1930) continues as assistant professor of geography at the University of Illinois.

Guy Burnham (A.M., 1922) is the efficient Chancellor of the Exchequer to the student body of Clark in addition to his regular duties as cartographer. Every once in a while, he may be found bending over some new student's shoulder showing the bewildered youngster where Brazil or some other little place is hiding, or else carefully explaining how the neophytes may avoid spattering their pretty maps with ink. His kindly service to the students in the workroom is greatly appreciated.

Meredith F. Burrill (Ph.D., 1930), professor of geography at Oklahoma A. and M. College at Stillwater, has been Acting Chief of the Regional

Land Use Planning Section of the Resettlement Administration in his part of the country. Pete is chairman this year of the Southwestern Social Science Association. The Burrills report the birth of a new "geographess"—little Elizabeth Ellen made her appearance in September, 1937. Congratulations!

Robert G. Buzzard (Ph.D., 1925), President, Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, Charleston, is a firm believer in the golden rule, for he is carrying out the supervision of the construction of a new science building in which the Department of Geography will have a suite of rooms. Dr. Buzzard says that he had always wanted something of the sort when he was teaching. There will be two recitation rooms, a large laboratory, a conference room, and in addition, each teacher will have a private office and storeroom. This summer he plans to re-visit Cape Cod to study man's adjustments to his environment, noticing particularly the changes which have taken place since he wrote his dissertation in 1924-25.

Edna Fay Campbell (Ph.D., 1931) has retired—or at least is no longer teaching, but she keeps mighty busy nevertheless, and enjoys life greatly, as a free lance writer, lecturer and world traveler. Along with lecturing on anthropogeography, professional book reviewing, and editorial work, she has recently completed a seven months' trip around the world, and has published a geography-history. Her research interest lies in the field of world climatology. She is secretary of the Chicago Branch, National Society of Women Geographers.

Norm Carls (Ph.D., 1935), assistant professor of geography, Oregon Normal School, Monmouth, Oregon, is working on the Prune Lands of Oregon as a research problem and acting as president of the geography section of the Inland Empire Education Association.

Myrtle Cash (A.M., 1932), is teach-

ing geography in the public schools of Willmette, Illinois.

E. Roy Casto (Ph.D., 1926), professor of geography and rural education at Emory and Henry College at Emory, Virginia, writes of a trip to Bible Lands in the summer of 1935. He spent the summer of 1937 in Ontario.

Margaret "Peg" Chew (1936-37), Evanston, Illinois, writes that she is enjoying her work as acting geography instructor and junior high critic at State Teachers College, Buffalo, New York. A twelve day Easter vacation trip to Miami, Florida, introduced her to the sunny south.

Hester Chisholm (a student in 1936-37) is trying to make future geographers of the 7th and 8th graders of the Killingly High School in Danielson, Conn. During her spare time and vacations she is completing her master's thesis.

Phil E. Church (Ph.D., 1937), assistant professor of geography and meteorology, Geography Department, University of Washington, has been elected to the staff of Oceanography, University of Washington and Friday Harbor Laboratories, where he will spend each summer teaching oceanographic meteorology. Research work which he has in progress deals with the relation of temperatures to currents along the shore from Oregon to Kodiak; ice formation on aircraft; the effect of mountains on the weather and climate of the Northwest, and the agricultural geography of the Puget Sound Lowlands.

Mrs. A. L. Cole (*Ruth Laidlow*) (A.M., 1927), along with teaching her three children, finds her geographical training useful in the writing of papers on countries studied in the missionary society of the church of which her husband is minister.

Clyde E. Cooper (Ph.D., 1927), head of the Department of Geography and Geology at Ohio University in Athens, is senior author of a new junior high school geography entitled

"The United States at Work." This book, with Maude C. Martin co-author, will be published by D. C. Heath and Company to be released in April, 1938.

George S. Corfield (A.M., 1931), Dean of Men at the State Teachers College, Duluth, Minn., sends us some very pleasant news. Early in June the great event takes place! Yes, we mean the marriage of George to Edna Elizabeth Wethey. Our congratulations and best wishes!

George plans to teach at Duluth this summer, offering two courses: Caribbean, and the Teaching of Geography. After the close of the summer session Mr. and Mrs. plan a trip through the east.

George B. Cressey (Ph.D., 1931), having spent the summer and autumn in the Soviet Union, has devoted the fall and winter writing up his studies and lecturing to various university groups, including the Clark Scientific Society, about them. He is going to relax from his duties as chairman of the Geology and Geography Department at Syracuse University to act as a visiting professor at Western Reserve University and as a visiting lecturer at the University of Michigan during the summer.

Floyd F. Cunningham (Ph.D., 1930) continues as head of the Department of Geography at State Teachers College at Florence, Alabama, and was re-elected secretary of the National Council of Geography Teachers at the Ann Arbor meetings in December.

Sigismund Dietrich (Ph.D., 1931) writes that he has been busy reorganizing his courses in Economic History in the Making and Trade Horizons in the Far East and very active in the Gainesville Little Theater, pursuing his hobby of amateur theatricals. "Sig" writes a newsy letter describing his blue-eyed little daughter with golden blond pig tails. Mrs. Dietrich, recuperating from a recent illness, and Rosemary are visiting in Budapest this spring.

Franklin C. Erickson, "Kink" (Ph.D., 1935), teaching in the Department of Geology of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., called on the grinds at the workroom during the Christmas vacation, before going to the A. A. G. meetings at Ann Arbor. After teaching summer school, he plans to visit the Gaspé Peninsula.

Mrs. Johnson E. Fairchild (*Wilma Belden*) (A.M., 1937) is now employed at the American Geographical Society in New York.

Johnson E. Fairchild (A.M. 1936), tutor in the Department of Geology and Geography at Hunter College, New York City, is also engaged in the preparation of his dissertation on Martinique.

Asbjorn Fause (A.M., 1937) is employed as substitute in the Department of Geology and Geography at Hunter College, New York City.

W. E. Ekblaw (Ph.D., '26). In view of all the time Dr. Ek. has spent in assigning and reading reports, its really amazing how he finds time to be assistant editor of *Economic Geog.*, prepare a paper on the distribution of Swedes in America, and guide the faltering student. Moreover, he was of indispensable service in helping President Atwood raise the necessary funds for the new buildings rising all over the campus here.

Sidney E. Ekblaw (Ph.D., 1934) assistant professor of geography at the University of Kansas City, is busy preparing for the Midwest Convention of the American Meteorological Society sponsored by the Kansas City Seminar Meteorologists of which he is chairman. He has obtained Dr. van Valkenburg as one of the speakers. In addition to the June Convention he is chairman of the geography section of the Missouri State Teachers Association which is meeting at Kansas City next year.

In collaboration with Dr. Douglas C. Ridgley, he has just published an economic geography for 9th and 10th

grade pupils, based on Koeppe's 16 climatic regions of the world, entitled "Influence of Geography on Our Economic Life." Last August he visited the Flagstaff, Arizona, region.

Gordon G. Darkenwald (Ph.D., 1934), in charge of the meteorological station at Hunter College, New York City, has the finest and most modern equipment and "Darky" is going places in his new field.

Otis W. Freeman (Ph.D., 1929), College of Education, Cheney, Washington, is working on the geology and geography of the Snake River area, and on a textbook for elements of geography in addition to numerous other publications. This summer he will conduct a field trip to Hawaii and will visit New Zealand and Australia also. Though he modestly failed to mention it in his letter, he has recently served ably as the editor of the yearbook for the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers.

Edith M. Fitton (A.M., 1929) remains with the Map Division of the Library of Congress in Washington.

Marion B. Forsythe (A.M., 1927), who has been teaching geography at State Normal School, Potsdam, New York, expects to retire at the end of this school year. She will be succeeded by *Catherine Roberts* (A.M., 1932).

Edwin J. Foscoe (Ph.D., 1931), associate professor of geography at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, is writing a "Regional Geography of North America." In the summer of 1937 he traveled 8400 miles in western United States visiting ten National Parks, after he was visiting Professor of Geography at Nebraska and expects to return there in the same capacity in the summer of 1938.

James Glasgow (A.M., 1929), Western State Teachers College, Kalamazoo, Mich., is expected to visit Clark this summer while conducting a group of Michigan people on a study tour through New England, the St. Lawrence and Hudson Bay areas. At

present he is working on rehabilitation plans for Shawneetown, Illinois, one of the flood-stricken cities of the Ohio Valley.

Guilbert R. Graham (A.M., 1931), is busy making Zanesville, Ohio, Geography conscious. In addition to teaching Economic Geography in the local high school, he has organized a Council of Geography Teachers for the city, which is bringing a closer cooperation between grades, junior and senior high studies in geography. His activities are not just local, however, for he is also chairman of the Geography section of the Eastern Ohio Teachers Association and will read soon his third paper before the Geography section of the Ohio Academy of Science on "Field Methods of Conducting a Micro-Climatic Survey." This was an outcome of his work last summer when he helped to establish 500 local weather stations as a part of the Muskingum Project Climatic survey.

Edna M. Gueffroy (A.M., 1927), for the past year Teaching Fellow, Department of Geography, University of Washington, Seattle, plans to attend summer school at the University of Hawaii. In September she will return to the Department of Geography, Illinois State Normal University, Bloomington, from which she has been on leave of absence the past year.

Ann Hanratta (A.M., 1925) faces a very uncertain future with the possible abolishment of the Clinton County Normal School of St. Johns, Michigan, where she has been teaching for the past three years. Previously she taught at the State Teachers College, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Isabella Hart (A.M., 1927), head of the Geography Department and Dean of Women at the State Normal School, Oswego, New York, is a member of a committee fighting for degree-granting privileges for normal schools. This spring her daughter Margaret was married.

Mrs. L. R. Hofstad (Katherine Clarke) (A.M., 1930), Assistant Climatologist in the Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C., was in Scandinavia in June and July, 1937, visiting friends and learning something of forecasting methods used in that area. In addition to getting acquainted with Bjerknes, Pettersen, and others, she reports a very interesting trip to Swedish Lapland. Her work has been closely related to that of hydrologists concerned with estimation of the frequency of flood-producing rainstorms.

Margery D. Howarth (A.M., 1934) teaches social studies in the Detroit Public Schools.

George F. Howe (A.M., 1924), dean of men at Teachers College, New Britain, Connecticut, is planning to conduct a Caribbean field trip in July of this year.

Bert Hudgins (Ph.D., 1930), Chairman of the Department of Geology and Geography at Wayne University, Detroit, is continuing his interest in comparative waterworks problems of great cities of the United States. Neighboring regions are also of interest as attested by the article soon to appear on the Economic Geography of Tobacco Lands in Western Ontario.

Paul Huffington (A.M., 1929), instructor in geography at the State Teachers College, Bridgewater, Massachusetts, has two proteges at Clark preparing for the A.M. examinations in geography. Paul spent part of last summer in Minnesota and at the Dells of Wisconsin. He was also the guest of Dr. Floyd Cunningham in Florence, Alabama, and returned to Bridgewater via the Shenandoah Valley. Now he is working on the physiography and land utilization of Bridgewater.

Harry K. Hutter (A.M., 1930) is professor of geography at Northern State Teachers College, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Preston James (Ph.D., 1923), pro-

fessor of geography at the University of Michigan, is doing field work in Brazil; after which he may attend the meeting of the International Geographical Congress.

Lois R. Keller (A.M., 1929), teacher in Shaker Heights Junior High School, attended summer school at the University of Colorado during summer of 1937 and afterwards travelled through the Rocky Mountains.

Kathleen M. Kennedy (A.M., 1934) is teaching at the Grafton Street Junior High School in Worcester, her home city.

Anne Kennedy (A.M., 1935) keeps the children busy when the regular teacher is absent. In other words, Anne substitutes in the elementary and junior high schools of Worcester. Anne stepped into the workroom the other day with the Kennedy's generous contribution to the MONADNOCK. She had a spot of tea and talked old times with the old timers.

Clarence E. Koeppe (Ph.D., 1929), Southwest Missouri State Teachers College, Springfield, Missouri, is planning with Mrs. Koeppe to spend most of the summer traveling through Germany, United Kingdom, Switzerland, France and Belgium; and to attend the Geographical Congress at Amsterdam. He has had very little time to give to research since he has taken over the duties of president of the Missouri Department of the Reserve Officers Association. We are informed that Gilbert Graham of Zanesville, Ohio, will teach at the college this summer.

Minnie E. Lemaire, (Ph.D., 1935), State Teachers College, La Crosse, Wis., traveled in the British Isles in the summer of 1937 and plans a Caribbean trip this summer. She is now serving as secretary of the College Geographers of Wisconsin.

Lin Kwan-Te (David) (a student during the second semester of the 1936-37 term) writes from Foochow, China: "My main work in this school (Anglo-Chinese College) is in connec-

tion with student welfare, including extra curricular activities, counselling, religious programs, student loan and scholarship funds, etc. Besides, I will be teaching several courses in geography." David also states that all able bodied persons between the ages of 18 and 25 are being trained for a prolonged military resistance and that in Fukien Province all students are aiding in the training and organizing of the masses.

Dick Logan (M.A., '37) is running loose among future captains of industry down at Babson Institute, in Wellesley. Now don't accuse Dick of going high hat on us because he's there on purely geographic reasons. Remember the grant Dr. Atwood, Jr. received to construct a relief model of the entire United States? Well, Dick is carrying out the job.

Mrs. Maude C. Martin (A.M., 1926), managing to keep 200 children busy with thought-questions at the Roosevelt Junior High School at Cleveland, has been working for some time on a workbook, along with Clyde E. Cooper, entitled "The United States at Work." A trip to England is included in her plans for the summer.

Carol Y. Mason (Ph.D., 1936), assistant professor of Geology and Geography, Milwaukee-Downer College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, serves this year as chairman of the College Geographers of Wisconsin. She spent several weeks at Clark last summer organizing materials for a new course on conservation which she introduced at Milwaukee-Downer this year.

Wallace R. McConnell (Ph.D., 1925), of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, spent three months in central and northern Europe last summer and evidently is making it a habit for he has been chosen as the director of a Travel Seminar on the Geography of Europe which will journey through western Europe, England and Scandinavia and include a visit to the International Congress on Geography at

Amsterdam, under the Educator Travels Institute, Inc.

Neva McDavitt (A.M., 1929) continues her work as assistant professor and supervising teacher of geography at Illinois State Normal University, at Bloomington.

George R. Means (A.M., 1932) sends greetings to all of his Clark friends. As secretary of Rotary International, George is very busy. He was the cartographer for the new book *Influence of Geography on our Economic Life* by Ridgley and Sid Ekblaw.

Margaret Means (A.M., 1929) is teaching geography at the Bloomington, Illinois, High School. During the school year 1936-37 she served as Exchange Teacher of Geography at Badminton School, Westbury-on-Tyne, Bristol, England. She traveled extensively throughout Great Britain, and during the Christmas season visited The Holy Land, Egypt, Sicily, and France. During the spring vacation her itinerary included the Netherlands, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and the Scandinavian countries.

Harley P. Milstead (Ph.D., 1933), Professor of Geography, State Teachers College, Upper Montclair, New Jersey, plans to conduct a bus trip to the Pacific coast in cooperation with Professor Bye.

James A. Minogue (A.M., 1936) has resigned his position of geographer with the Mississippi State Planning Board in order to accept a position as curator of maps with the National Archives at Washington. Jim Minogue was author of the climatic summary in the Report of the Mississippi Land Planning Board and supervised the preparation of maps and charts in the report.

Warren Nystrom (M.A., '38) has been "prof" to the boys and girls down at Rhode Island State. We like him and so do they, which makes everything pleasant. But he comes shooting back to Clark—and Worcester—now

and then. He can't get used to being away.

A. Russell Oliver (Ph.D., 1937) continues as assistant professor of Geography at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. During the summer of 1937 he was employed as Ranger-Naturalist in Yellowstone National Park.

Leonard W. Packard (A.M., 1926), head of the geography department, Teachers College, Boston, will speak at the New England Geographical Conference meetings at Harvard this month on Recreation as a Topic in Economic Geography.

John L. Page (A.M., 1929), assistant professor of geography, University of Illinois, Urbana, has had other interests than just geography. On the evening of November 24, 1937, Miss Jesza Deppen and he were married in Lake Forest, Illinois. The bride was one of the teachers in the public schools of that city. The workroom gang sends belated "best wishes."

Ruben L. Parson (A.M., 1936) is still at Jackson, Mississippi, as land planner with the state planning board. In the bulletin, State Planning in Mississippi, "Rube" prepared the sections on land planning. As 1st Lieutenant of the 351st Infantry he will observe army maneuvers in southern Mississippi this summer.

G. Etzel Percy (A.M., 1932), instructor in the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, did the cartographic work in *Introduction to Economic Geography* by Klimm, Starkey and Hall and expects to spend the summer of 1938 in a "double-header" trip to California, Vancouver and Europe. Incidentally, he says he is getting domesticated, and hopes to write his thesis too.

Meta Pils (A.M., 1932) teaches social studies at Shorewood Public Schools, Milwaukee, Wis. She has worked on a number of radio programs dealing with Social Studies which were broadcast from the Milwaukee Station UTMJ during April.

George H. Primmer (Ph.D., 1933), State Teachers College, Duluth, spent part of the summer of 1937 traveling through the Black Hills, Yellowstone and Teton areas. He has prepared for publication an article on "Changing United States Vegetable Oils Trade" and is working on Isle Royal.

Louis O. Quam, student in 1936-37, who has been working on his doctor's dissertation this winter, in addition to teaching at the University of Colorado, expects to be back in Worcester this June to receive his degree.

Margaret Quimby (A.M., 1937) writes that she is trying to keep up with the changes in Europe and elsewhere. She is working on maps for Ginn and Co. in Boston. "Peggy" is looking forward to a vacation soon, but doesn't know where to go to spend it.

Douglas C. Ridgley (Ph.D., 1925) is at home in Bloomington, Illinois. *Influence of Geography on our Economic Life*, the textbook which he and Sid Ekblaw have written, is just off the press and adds another publication to his already long list of geographical works.

Walter W. Ristow, "Wally" (Ph.D., 1937) has resigned his position at Cheney, Washington, to become Curator of Maps at the New York Public Library. Ristow, Fairchild and Schadegg together constitute chapter no. 1 of the New Deal (restaurant) Clark Alumni Association.

Catherine Roberts (A.M., 1932) goes to a new position at Potsdam State Normal School this next academic year. Congratulations! Catherine expects to receive her Ph.D. this June.

Ina Cullom Robertson (A.M., 1924) who continues as professor of geography at the Valley City State Teachers College, authored the *Geography of North Dakota* published last spring. On the basis of that work she was elected to full membership in the National League of American Pen Women. Plans for this summer include a student trip to Mexico City.

Robert W. Rucker (A.M., 1928) has served as instructor in psychology and geography and as director of student practice teaching at the State Teachers College in Hyannis, Massachusetts, and will teach there during the summer session.

"Tony" *Sanjuro*, who has been in and about the workroom during her several vacations from her duties at New Jersey College, New Brunswick, expects to receive her A.M. this spring. Tony plans to take Dr. Jones' Caribbean trip this summer.

Richard M. Saunders (A.M., 1925) lectures in history at the University of Toronto and recently published several reviews in the Canadian Historical Review. His present research problem is on the Coureurs de Bois.

Francis J. Schadegg (A.M., 1937), tutor in the department of Geology and Geography at Hunter College, New York City, has visited Clark several times this winter while assembling material for new courses.

Ann Scharf (A.M., 1932) is a case worker with the Children's Protective Association in Los Angeles, California. As for travel she claims to know every blade of grass, bump, and speed cop hideout between Long Beach and Los Angeles.

Marjorie Shank (A.M., 1923), associate professor of geography and registrar, Southern Illinois State Normal University, Carbondale, was a member last summer of the Guatemala field trip conducted by Dr. Jones.

Earl Shaw (Ph.D., 1933) is one of the alumni most often seen about the workroom, always busily engaged in geographic research. According to a very reliable authority Earl plans to devote his life to the geography of islands and already he has proved himself an authority in the field. Dr. Shaw will be one of the speakers at the New England Geographers Conference at Harvard this May. Earl dilutes his geography now and then by playing baseball fan on his visits to New York.

Mrs. Anna E. Simmons (A.M., 1935), geography critic in the training department of State Teachers College at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, is taking courses at Harvard in educational administration to advance herself in that field.

Winifred Smith (A.M., 1935) dropped in the workroom for a short visit during her spring vacation. She sends her regards to all of her old friends. Her present occupation is teaching: place, Sherill, N. Y.

Carl Stotz (Ph.D., 1937) is talking "Turkey" to the young ladies at Mount Holyoke, where he replaces Dr. Shipman, who is on leave of absence for the year. Almost any week end he may be found working in Dr. Van Valkenberg's office or directing the construction of numerous maps in the workroom.

L. LeMar Stephan (a student in 1934-35) is now teaching geography at Kent University, Kent, Ohio.

Alfred R. Sumner (A.M., 1933) is teaching geography and elementary general science at the Lawrence School, Hewlett, N. Y. In the summer of 1937 he traveled through Norway, around North Cape and down through Arctic Finland by bus, across southern Finland by plane, then to Aland Islands and across southern Finland by canal boat and bicycle and thence to Denmark, England and Scotland.

J. E. Switzer (Ph.D., 1923), professor of geography at Indiana University, Bloomington, since 1936, has been elected president of Sigma Xi, honorary research fraternity, and this year is president of the Indiana chapter of the American Association of University Professors. Recently he published "The Geography of Indiana" as a supplement to the Atwood-Thomas geographies for use in Indiana. He plans to visit Mexico City and the Pacific southwest this summer.

Lester W. Trueblood (A.M., 1936) holds a position in the Department of Geography of Judson College and the

University of Rangoon at Rangoon, Burma.

Eugene Van Cleef (Ph.D., 1926), professor of geography at Ohio State University, received a decoration from the president of Finland as Knight, Class 1 Order of the White Rose, in May, 1937. In December, 1937, he was elected corresponding member of the Geography Society of Finland.

William Van Royen (Ph.D., 1928), associate professor of geography at the University of Nebraska, spent several weeks in the Dominican Republic during the summer of 1937 doing field work in the Cibao region. He plans to attend the International Geographical Congress at Amsterdam this summer where he will present several papers.

Burton M. Varney (Ph.D., 1925), chairman of the geography department at the University of California at Los Angeles since 1936, is giving almost his entire time to administrative and committee work.

Frederick Walker, who was at Clark in the fall of 1936, is at Cambridge, England, completing the preparation, for publication, of a study on the Palisades diabase, a contribution in the fields of petrography and geology.

Sara F. Waites (A.M., 1933) has nearly deserted our field of geography, for her new love is law, and this May will receive an LL.B. There is some hope, however; Sara still teaches a course in Economic Geography in the University of Alabama.

Anthony J. West (A.M., 1930), instructor in geography, State Normal School, Brockport, New York, plans to continue his graduate studies during the coming academic year.

Katheryne Thomas Whittemore (A.M., 1936), head of the Department of Geography, Buffalo State Teachers College, was recently honored when she was elected president of the New York State Geographical Association for 1938.

George Tatham (Ph.D., 1934), an-

other belated contributor, writes of his recent marriage as a happy one though his memories of it are very fragmentary. Best wishes from the MONADNOCK! He reports that he is very homesick for Worcester, and hopes to bring his recent bride over to the states very soon, so we all can renew pleasant friendships. They are now at home in Hull, England.

Irene Wray and *Harry C. Parker*, students in 1936-1937, directors of the Worcester Natural History Museum, were married October 23, 1937, and report that they are doing fine. Best wishes from the MONADNOCK! Their space is limited because of tardiness in sending in their contribution.

A YEAR IN PARIS—!

Ralph E. Olson, a graduate student for the current year in the Clark Graduate School of Geography, where he is a candidate for the doctor's degree, has been exceptionally honored by the award of an American Field Service Fellowship for study in France during 1938-39. In competition with instructors and graduate students in all academic fields, he has received one of the four such appointments made for the coming year. This fellowship, administered by the Institute of International Education in New York City, carries with it a cash stipend of \$1400, a sum considered sufficient to take care of all expenses for a twelve-months period.

He will study most of the year at the Institut des Hautes Études Internationales of the University of Paris under the direction of Dr. Jacques Ancel, eminent professor of political geography in that institution. He also plans to spend considerable time doing field work in Luxemburg and adjacent sections in preparation for his Ph.D. thesis.

A native of Newman Grove, Nebraska, Ralph was graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University in 1935 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts with high distinction, and received the

degree of Master of Arts from the University of Nebraska in 1937. The brief vacation period between the end of the term at Clark and the time for sailing will be spent with his relatives and friends in Nebraska. Congratulations Oley, and "Bon voyage"!

SEMINARS

In scheduled seminars several topics have been discussed with considerable credit to all concerned. Dr. Ekblaw guided the discussion, in January, of land utilization with papers presented by Berman, Ney, Scott, and Carlson. Dr. W. W. Atwood, Jr., led the February seminar on conservation in its various phases, in which Kirkendahl, Stacey, Culbert, Walker and Illingworth took part. In March, Dr. Jones directed preparation of papers by Gregory, Sherman, Carlson, and Morrison, on manufacturing regions. Dr. Van Valkenberg presented Siple, Zeller, Clifford, Chamberlin and Alpert in April, on island climates. Two joint meetings were scheduled with the history department: in December with papers by McCune and Olson on South Africa and in March with papers by McCune and Hill on the Chinese conflict.

In addition to the scheduled seminars, geography students had opportunities to hear lectures by Dr. Kirtley Mather of Harvard on geology, Dean Jerome Howe of Worcester Tech on tunnel construction, Professor V. C. Wynne of McGill University on Alpine floras, Dr. George Cressey of Syracuse on his Siberian explorations, Dr. Preston E. James of Michigan on his work in Brazil, Rollin S. Atwood of the University of Florida on Guatemalan Indians, Dr. Armin K. Lobeck of Columbia on his Russian travels, Bradford Washburn of Harvard on Winter exploration in Alaska, and Dr. Robert Cushman Murphy of the Audubon Societies on birds, as well as a number given by local geographers.

ADDITIONAL WHO'S WHO IN THE WORKROOM

Elizabeth Gregory (A.M., 1930), returned to Clark for the second semester on leave of absence from her position as instructor of geography at the Normal School in Keene, N. H. Greg serves as state representative for New Hampshire in the National Council of Geography Teachers, so she will be one of the speakers at the New England Conference of Geographers at Harvard, this May.

Walter Kirkendahl (A.M., 1935) is one of the members of the famous "long trek" who returns to continue work toward his Ph.D. Kirk served as a ranger naturalist in Glacier National Park in the summer of 1936, in 1935-36 as graduate assistant at Syracuse, and in 1936-37 he was instructor at the University of Colorado. This summer he will return there to teach in the summer school.

Clara A. Myers (M.A., Temple University, 1934), dean of women, and teacher of guidance in the State Teachers College at Kutztown, Pennsylvania, has done advanced work in guidance in summer sessions in Teachers College, Columbia, and in the University of Virginia. She is also a member of the teaching staff of her college, so she is pursuing courses here to fulfill the requirements for certification in geography in Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth Ann O'Brien (B.S. in Education, Worcester Teachers, 1937) is new to Clark but not to Worcester. Now she divides her time between studying physiography and political geography and teaching Americanization courses in this city.

Rafael Pico (A.M., 1934) returned to school in February. Since 1934 Rafael has been instructor in geography at the University of Puerto Rico, but is now on leave of absence to complete his Ph.D. dissertation. This summer Rafael will give two courses at Northwestern University.

FACULTY DOINGS

President and Mrs. Atwood are planning to sail for England, June 4th, immediately following the Commencement exercises. There they will transfer to a vessel which will take them to Cape Town. During the summer months they will travel northward visiting points of special interest in South Africa and equatorial Africa. Then they will go down to the coast at Mombasa and embark on a ship to move northward through the Red and Mediterranean seas to Genoa. There will be a week available for the northern part of Italy, after which in company with Dr. Van Valkenburg they will return from Trieste on the Italian liner, *Saturnia*.

Dr. Jones is frequently to be found in his rock garden, of which he may well be proud, for therein are to be found some of the most beautiful peonies and spring flowers in Worcester. The outdoor fireplace which stands nearby is the scene of steak and weiner roasts during the warm spring evenings.

In late June, Dr. and Mrs. Jones, with Clarence and Ruth Ann will drive to Illinois, where the family will spend the summer with Mrs. Jones's mother. Dr. Jones will return to teach the first half of Economic Geography and South America. If present plans materialize, he will conduct another field trip to the Caribbean, beginning August 12th. The itinerary will include land trips in Northern Venezuela, Northern Colombia, Panama, Jamaica, and Haiti.

Dr. Ek is again scheduled for summer school, teaching two courses: Influences of Geographic Environment and Land Utilization, the latter including reconnaissance and intensive field work. Whatever spare time he finds will be used in writing.

Dr. van Valkenburg will take a group of students to Europe. They will combine visits in western and central Europe with attendance at the

International Geographical Congress at Amsterdam. Dr. Van is to be "rapporteur" of one of the divisions. He plans afterward to join Dr. and Mrs. Atwood in northern Italy.

Dr. Wallace W. Atwood, Jr., will stay in Worcester this summer and supervise the program of model construction at Babson Institute, Wellesley, Massachusetts. In addition, he is rebuilding his home which was destroyed by fire last March. He is preparing a map manual to accompany the "Physiographic Provinces of North America", by President Atwood, which is scheduled to appear next winter.

RELIEF MODEL

On January 1 of this year Dr. Wallace W. Atwood, Jr., was given full responsibility in the construction of a giant relief model of the United States to be prepared at Babson Institute in Wellesley, Massachusetts. Although the project was undertaken several years ago, no concentrated effort to complete the task had been made. Until the first of this year less than one-quarter of the country had been modeled. At the present rate of construction the model will be completed by January, 1940.

The finished relief will be located in the Coleman Map Building on the campus of Babson Institute. Here a giant, dome-shaped, steel framework, 63 feet long and 45 feet wide, has been constructed by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. It represents a portion of a huge globe and, consequently, reproduces a surface in exact proportion to the earth's curvature. On this steel framework is a plaster base map on which the outline of the United States is painted.

Because of the tremendous size of the model, it is being constructed in small sections which will be placed in their proper position on the curved framework. Each section is one degree of latitude in length and one degree longitude in width.

SPOUSED

Among recent events of interest to geographers are two weddings. Last December 16 in Boulder, Colorado, Miss Elizabeth Ann Voorhees became Mrs. Walter Kirkendahl. On February 12 in Ponce, Porto Rico, Miss Maria Teresa Vidal became Mrs. Rafael Pico. The MONADNOCK extends its congratulations and best wishes to the happy couples.

A NEW GEOGRAPHER

Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Carlson, of the present workroom gang, announce the birth of a son, Russell Albert, on April 4, 1938.

Miss Baker and Miss Elliot are still the geographers' friends in need with headquarters in the library. For when students search frantically for some special publication, relating to Grasslands or what have you, the librarians come to the rescue.

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