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

—*Semple*



ATWOOD HALL

This beautiful auditorium, dedicated on January 12, 1939, has already been used for numerous functions, both by the college and civic organizations. Built by funds contributed by the public of Worcester, this hall, with a seating capacity of 800, fills a distinctive need in the city. It has a large modern stage and is fully equipped for movie and sound projection. The tower, seen in the background, will provide extra storage space for about 150,000 volumes of books. Together with Alumni Gym, completed last year, Atwood Hall has added to the attractiveness of the Clark campus. The above photograph shows the main entrance which faces on Woodland Avenue.

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OUR APPRECIATION

THE MONADNOCK staff and the C. U. G. S. extend their sincere thanks to the alumni who have generously contributed news and donations toward the publication of this alumni issue. We hope that each of you gets as much enjoyment from a perusal of these "thumb nail sketches" as we have had in reading the letters and questionnaires upon their arrival here. Our greatest regret is that limited space prevented us from printing in its entirety the information received. However, your letters and questionnaires have been filed away in our new filing cabinet so that the C. U. G. S. will have a permanent record of your activities.

We again wish to express our thanks to those who have helped us financially this year, especially to the alumni who have contributed an extra dollar for the Student Loan Fund.

ALUMNI NEWS

ALABAMA

Floyd F. Cunningham (Ph.D., 1930), has added the directorship of the Visual Instruction Service to his duties as head of the Department of Geography at State Teachers College, Florence, Alabama. He was re-elected secretary of the National Council of Geography Teachers at the Cambridge meeting in December, and has been appointed a consultant ex-officio of the Education Policies Commission.

Ruben L. Parson (A.M., 1934), head of the Department of Geography, State Teachers College, Troy, Alabama, is continuing his work with the Mississippi State Land Planning Commission as consulting geographer. He holds the same position with the Dixie Tung Oil Development Co. "Rube" spoke recently on "Land Planning and Tung Oil Production" at a meeting of the American Tung Oil Association.

ARIZONA

Agnes M. Allen (Ph.D., 1937), associate professor of geography and education, State Teachers College, Flagstaff, Arizona, is working on a Geography of Arizona for junior high schools as well as experimenting with curriculum studies in the social sciences for pupils with a Spanish-American background. She spent the summer of 1938 traveling over most of Arizona and lecturing on teacher's institute programs.

CALIFORNIA

Ann Scharf (A.M., 1932), is a social case worker with the Children's Protective Association of Los Angeles, California. She has been working the past year on her master's degree in Social Work. Her thesis will consider the effectiveness of social treatment on the children brought before the Juvenile Court of Los Angeles County.

Ruth Baugh (Ph.D., 1929), after an extended trip to the eastern Mediterranean last summer, is plan-

ning to continue her teaching at the University of California at Los Angeles and resume her field studies in the state this summer.

CANADA

Griffith Taylor (honorary member of C. U. G. S.), head of the Department of Geography, University of Toronto, although not an alumnus of Clark, needs no introduction to its family. We all follow his versatile and busy pen with interest. Last summer he spent sixteen weeks in field work in northern Africa, the Mediterranean islands, France, and southern England. At present he has several problems in progress: a book on Australia, a survey of Toronto, and an article on Trentino. Dr. Taylor will teach in the summer school at Toronto.

Richard M. Saunders (A.M., 1925), is assistant professor of history, University of Toronto. At present he is doing research on the *coureurs de bois* and the French colonial administration of Canada.

CONNECTICUT

George F. Howe (A.M., 1924), dean of men at Teachers College, New Britain, Connecticut, is planning a trip to the west coast this summer. In the summer of 1938 he directed a field trip through the British West Indies.

COLORADO

Louis O. Quam (Ph.D., 1938), instructor in geology at the University of Colorado, has been busy preparing a laboratory manual in Weather and Climate. A trip to California last summer included stops at Salt Lake, Tia Juana, Bryce and Zion National Parks, and the Uinta Mountains.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Homer L. Schantz (honorary member of C. U. G. S.), continues to be active as Chief of the Division of Wildlife Management of the United States Forest Service. Regular inspection service, for the purpose of coordinating the activities of the various units, carries him through the National Forests of Alaska, United States, and Puerto Rico.

James A. Minogue (A.M., 1936),

remains as junior map curator in the Division of Maps, National Archives, Washington. Besides doing research in connection with his dissertation, Jim is planning an article on some phase of the urban land utilization of Washington.

Rafael Pico (Ph.D., 1938), is instructor in geography at Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., on leave of absence from the University of Puerto Rico. His article on land tenure in Puerto Rico will appear in the next issue of *Economic Geography*. The Inter-American Forum of Washington has recently elected him president.

Edith M. Fitton (A.M., 1929), has only recently returned from a grand vacation at Sun Valley, Idaho. Last summer she enjoyed a month in the Green Mountain State and a week of hiking in the White Mountains. Sandwiched in with her duties in the Division of Maps, Library of Congress is the editorship of the *Bulletin of the Society of Women Geographers*.

Carleton P. Barnes (Ph.D., 1929), director, Survey Coördination, United States Department of Agriculture, has expanded his activities to include teaching a class, "Planning Resources: The Great Plains," at American University, Washington, D. C.

ENGLAND

Ina C. Robertson (A.M., 1924), is spending an extremely interesting year as exchange teacher at Tadcaster, England. Between school sessions she is travelling as widely as possible in the Mediterranean lands and northern Europe. We envy her opportunity to spend Christmas in Florence and Easter in Biskra! In September she will return to the geography department at the State Teachers College, Valley City, North Dakota.

Margaret Quimby (A.M., 1937), is one of the alumni who is fortunate enough to enjoy foreign travel. Peggy has already left for England where she will take some course work at the London School of Economics this summer.

Lui, En-Lan (A.M., 1931), has

taken a leave of absence from her position at Ginling College in Nanking, China, to work toward her doctorate at the University School of Geography, Oxford, England.

George Tatham (Ph.D., 1934), who has been at the geography department of University College, Hull, England, is to return to America in August. He has been appointed lecturer in Geography under Griffith Taylor at the University of Toronto.

FLORIDA

Rollin S. Atwood (Ph.D., 1928), professor of geography, University of Florida, Gainesville, will spend the summer visiting various universities in the southeastern United States on behalf of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs of which he is director. He hopes to establish exchange fellowships between various American universities and those of Latin America.

Sigismund Diettrich (Ph.D., 1931), assistant professor of economic geography at the University of Florida, has been doing a little ocean travel via auto of late. Two trips to Key West last year are thus accounted for. He is busily engaged in writing a textbook on the Far East and in work on Florida agriculture. He writes that Mrs. Diettrich and daughter went to Budapest last April and returned in October. He also says that in December, 1938, the biggest event of his life occurred when he became a citizen of the United States.

FRANCE

Ralph E. Olson, a student at the School of Geography last year, has been having an interesting year in France as holder of an American Field Service Fellowship. In addition to attending lectures of Professors de Martonne and Ancel at Paris and to travelling widely over western Europe, Ralph has been making a political geography study of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. He reports a pleasant visit with Hans Boesch in Zurich last Christmas.

GERMANY

Marlies Koster (student, 1937-38),

writes that in July, 1938, she added Teichmuller to her name. She expresses surprise at the fact that housework occupies so much of her time, pushing into the background the work on her dissertation. However, she expects to get her doctor's degree next winter. Her address is Invalidenstrasse 43, Geologisches Institut, Berlin N4.

Angelika Sievers (A.M., 1936), is now research assistant on the German land planning research board. In January she received her Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Berlin with the completion of her dissertation on the United States cattle industry. Miss Sievers extends a warm welcome to all Clark people who plan a visit to Germany in the near future. Her address is: Friedmann, Kaiser Allee 61/62, Berlin.

GEORGIA

Mrs. Garland Truitt (*Rebecca Taliaferro*) (student 1929), lives at 508 E. 46th Street, Savannah, Georgia.

ILLINOIS

Fred K. Branom (Ph.D., 1923), head of the Department of Social Studies, Chicago Teachers College, traveled over much of western and eastern United States last summer; plans for this summer's travels have not been completed. Dr. Branom is kept busy revising and rewriting the Social Geography Series.

L. F. Fountain (student, 1932-'33), is still teaching physiography at the Oak Park High School, Oak Park, Illinois. He hopes to complete his dissertation on a phase of Land Utilization soon. Of his work at Mountain Trails Camp, Wells, New York (Mr. and Mrs. Fountain are directors of this boy's camp) he writes, "Summer camp work and geography go hand in hand at our place. We are introducing a little each season and before many years we expect our camp to be rather outstanding among other camps in the field of geography and geology."

Margaret Means (A.M., 1929), who, last year, was an exchange teacher at Badminton School, Westbury-on-Tyne, Bristol, England, is teaching geogra-

phy in the high school in Bloomington, Illinois. Margaret was much in demand this year as a lecturer on the social and economic conditions of the British Isles and those parts of the continent which she visited.

George Means (A.M., 1931), we know, is still connected with the Rotarians in Chicago although George is very reticent concerning his own activities.

Dr. D. C. Ridgley (Ph.D., 1925), it at home in Bloomington, Illinois. This past year, we have enjoyed the various publications that have come from his desk.

John L. Page (Ph.D., 1929), assistant professor of geography at the University of Illinois, has recently been selected as one of the nine faculty men from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who serve as counselors to students in that college. He has been working on an urban geography study as well as on a textbook the past winter.

Mabel F. Ripley (A.M., 1927), is teaching geography in Parker High School, Chicago, according to word received from Neva McDavitt.

Marjorie Shank (A.M., 1923), continues her work as registrar and associate professor of geography at Southern Illinois State Normal University, Carbondale, Illinois.

Edna Fay Campbell (Ph.D., 1931), 840 Roscoe Street, Chicago, is another alumnus in Europe at the present time. She plans to return on October first to continue her writing and lecturing.

J. Herbert Burgy (Ph.D., 1930), continues as an assistant professor of geography at the University of Illinois. Last summer, after teaching at the Montclair, New Jersey State Teachers College, Dr. Burgy enjoyed the novel experience, at least to many of us, of an aeroplane trip from New York to Chicago. Teaching at the University of Illinois and travel after the summer session are his plans for the summer.

Robert G. Buzzard (Ph.D., 1925), president, Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, Charleston, Illinois, plans to spend the coming summer

supervising the opening of the new \$375,000 science building. In it the geography department will have one of the most complete and up-to-date workshops and laboratories in the country. Last summer Dr. Buzzard spent his vacation in Florida, visiting places of interest and driving over the new bridges to Key West.

Neva McDavitt (A.M., 1929), assistant professor of geography, Illinois State Normal University, Bloomington, plans to teach at the University for the summer session this year. She is now supervising high school geography as well as teaching.

Edna M. Gueffroy (A.M., 1927), assistant professor of geography, Illinois State Normal University, Bloomington, spent the summer of 1938 at the University of Hawaii. She plans to teach at the State Normal University this summer.

Margaret S. Chew (student 1936-'37), who teaches at the Haven School, Evanston, Illinois, spent most of last summer tutoring and vacationing at Honey Harbor, Georgian Bay, Ontario. Last year "Peg" was acting geography instructor and junior high critic at State Teachers College, Buffalo, New York.

Myrtle Cash (A.M., 1932), a geography teacher in the Elementary Schools of Wilmette, Illinois, lists as her research problem the pertinent question, "How to Keep Geography a Subject in the Elementary Schools." By writing occasional reports on finance and state educational legislation for the local newspaper *Miss Cash* has been supplying the people of Wilmette with valuable information on those topics.

Eleanor B. Watson (former Clark student), has been dean of girls for the past nine years in the high school system of Peoria, Illinois. She reports that each year she looks after the welfare of seven to eight hundred girls. Her letter states that Nina Brown, Ethel Leighton, and Miss Jones, former Clark students, read *THE MONADNOCK* as avidly as she.

INDIANA

J. Elmer Switzer (Ph.D., 1923),

professor of geography at Indiana University, Bloomington, is working on land utilization problems. Last summer he travelled by auto through the western United States, visiting eighteen national parks and monuments and several national forests. This summer he plans to attend the Latin-American Studies Institute at University of Michigan under the supervision of Preston E. James (Ph.D., 1923) and hopes to spend a few weeks in Mexico as well.

MASSACHUSETTS

Robert G. Stone (student 1931-'32), is kept very busy with his work as editor and assistant secretary of the *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, librarian and research associate at Blue Hill Observatory, and as special collaborator with the National Parks Service. He is at present working on several meteorological and climatological research problems. In addition to many short trips in eastern United States he spent the month of March in Puerto Rico.

Earl B. Shaw (Ph.D., 1933), professor of geography at Worcester State Teachers College, has been a frequent visitor at the workroom. His interests in island geography and the swine industry have recently given us articles on the Aland Islands and China. This summer he expects to attend the W. F. E. A. conference in Rio de Janeiro, and will teach two courses for Clark enroute.

Guy Burnham (A.M., 1922), has continued to preside over the workroom with his usual benevolence. In addition to assisting cartographic novices he has found time to draw maps for *Economic Geography* and to supervise his newest recruit to the menial task of backing topographic sheets.

Julia M. Shipman (Ph.D., 1928), has resumed her duties as associate professor in the Department of Geology and Geography, Mount Holyoke College, after last year's round-the-world cruise. In Tokyo she gave a paper before the World Federation of Education Associations. This summer she expects to travel in South America.

Harry C. Parker (A.M., 1938) and *Irene Wray Parker* (student, 1935-'37), directors of the Worcester Natural History Museum, are still working on the Worcester County mammal records. During Easter vacation Irene visited Rochester, N. Y., and the Great Smokies region.

Edward D. Russell (A.M., 1922), still lives at 4 Hudson Street, Worcester, Mass.

Marion Lee Webster (student, 1922-'23), tells us that she is retiring this year from her position as senior instructor in charge of geography at State Teachers College, Fitchburg, Mass., a position that she has held for the past sixteen years. Upon her retirement she plans to return to her home in Belfast, Maine.

Mrs. Anna Simmons (A.M., 1935), instructor in geography at Fitchburg (Mass.) State Teachers College, has been a frequent visitor to the workroom this past year.

Charles F. Brooks (honorary member of C. U. G. S.), is professor of meteorology, and director of Blue Hill Observatory at Harvard University. Dr. Brooks is kept busy guiding research projects, mostly at Blue Hill, and carrying on his own work in the "Meteorology of Solar Eclipses." He is still receiving demands for his answers to the "How?, What?, and Why? of the September Hurricane" and is presenting his lecture to various faculty groups. June 21-July 21 he will give a course in climatology for graduate and advanced undergraduate students at the University of Chicago.

Leonard O. Packard (A.M., 1926), continues as the head of the geography department at the Teachers College of the City of Boston. He has busied himself the past year with the writing and publishing of a new economic geography for senior high schools which came out this spring. (See "Publications of Clark Geographers.")

Paul Huffington (A.M., 1929), instructor of geography at State Teachers College, Bridgewater, Mass., has visited the workroom on numerous occasions this year. He is planning a study of the evolution of ship-

building in New England with one of his former students at Bridgewater, *J. Nelson Clifford*.

Victor E. Pitkin (A.M., 1931) continues his work at the W. S. Parker Junior High School, Reading, Mass., where he is chairman of the Department of Social Studies. He has talked during the past year before several educational meetings, served as a demonstration teacher at the Boston University Elementary School Conference, and has been active in the founding of an adult forum discussion group in Reading. He is working on a book on the subject of International Relations, a field in which he has had an active interest for some time.

Elizabeth P. Love (student, 1933-'34), is teaching Home Economics in the Auburn High School, Auburn, Mass.

Dick Logan (A.M., 1937), continues to direct the construction of the relief model of the United States at Babson Institute, Wellesley. He appears at Clark to conduct the map study for Physiography, and is spending his spare time exploring the caverns of eastern New York, western Massachusetts and Vermont; so far he has investigated about forty.

Milton E. Prescott (student, 1935-'36), is connected with the Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service as Junior Soil Conservationist. During the past year he has supervised a study of soil erosion in New England for the Division of Research, Soil Conservation Service. His present address is 178 Cabot Street, Newtonville, Mass.

J. Nelson Clifford (A.M., 1938), reports that he enjoys his work this year in the Junior High School at Quincy, Massachusetts. He has found time to publish a number of articles as well as to make frequent visits to the workroom.

MICHIGAN

Bert Hudgins (Ph.D., 1930), head of the Department of Geography and Geology at Wayne University, Detroit, tells us that he plans to teach at the University of Nebraska this coming summer. He was recently

elected to membership in the Association of American Geographers.

Margery D. Howarth (A.M., 1934), continues as a geography teacher at Royal Oak, Michigan.

Lloyd Black (A.M., 1936), is at present working for his Ph.D. in the geography department at the University of Michigan, where he is an assistant. "Blackie" reports that he passed his preliminary exams last winter and is now struggling with his dissertation.

Eula V. Avery (A.M., 1929), principal of the Mack School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, plans to attend Summer School at Columbia University this summer. Last summer she spent most of her time "roaming" the countryside of the Gaspé and Nova Scotia.

Preston E. James (Ph.D., 1923), professor of geography at the University of Michigan, spent most of 1938 doing field work in southeastern Brazil, returning home via Lisbon, Paris, and London. At present he is writing *The Geography of Man in South America*, and is preparing a monograph on southeastern Brazil. During the summer he is to be director of the Institute of Latin-American Studies at the University of Michigan; and for the coming year will be active as an officer in the Association of American Geographers, in the Division of Geology and Geography of the National Research Council, and in the Committee on Latin-American Studies of the American Council of Learned Societies.

Paul C. Morrison (student, 1937-'38), returned to his position at Michigan State College last fall where he received a promotion to assistant professor of geography. A study of the limestone industry of Michigan has been occupying much of his free time this year. Paul plans to teach at Michigan State during the coming summer session.

George Beischlag (A.M., 1937), teacher of social sciences at Nolan Junior High School, Detroit, is experimenting with the use of pictures in geography to 7-b pupils who are slow in reading. Since his marriage to Bernice Townsend (A.B., Uni-

versity of Michigan) in May, 1936, George and his wife have visited forty-six states (why omit Arkansas and North Dakota?). Last summer they took movies of the countryside on a 2,500-mile trip through Mexico and this summer plan to travel from California to New York by way of the Panama Canal. George is one of our Summer School alumni and reports that *Herbert S. Jones*, who spent a summer at Clark about five years ago, is now Superintendent of Schools at Gary, Indiana.

MINNESOTA

Harold Jorgenson (student, 1937), is located in St. Paul with the Minnesota State Planning Board, and has been directing the compilation of a Minnesota Fact Book, pertaining to the state's basic resources, and an economic and social atlas of the state. Other studies on income, industrial funds, and government finance are being made by the Resources Commission.

George H. Primmer (Ph.D., 1933), State Teachers College, Duluth, has been doing research on the soy bean and flax industries of the United States so we may expect articles on those subjects in the near future. Besides attending the meeting of the American Meteorological Society in Kansas City last summer, he visited Mammoth Cave and Wilson Dam.

George S. Corfield (A.M., 1931), is dean of men at State Teachers College, Duluth. During Christmas vacation he traveled to Florida to continue work on several research problems there. An article, "Out-of-Doors: Geography's Natural Laboratory," written by him, will appear soon in the *Journal of Geography*. He plans to teach this summer at Duluth.

MISSISSIPPI

William A. Hill (student, 1937-'38), is assistant professor of geography and sociology at Mississippi State College for Women, Columbus. Bill paid a visit to the workroom during Christmas vacation and attended the meetings of the Association at Cambridge.

MISSOURI

Clarence E. Koeppe (Ph.D., 1929),

continues as professor of geography at the Southwestern Missouri State Teachers College, Springfield. His plans for the summer will keep him busy, for in addition to teaching summer school, he will go to San Francisco to spend two weeks as Signal Officer of the 102d Division, at the Fourth Army Command Post Exercises.

James I. Culbert (A.M., 1938), has spent the past year in Missouri working on his dissertation. He plans to teach at Alabama Polytechnic Institute this coming summer. Incidentally Jim just about set a record for using the fewest words in filling out the questionnaire sent him. He always was a laconic man.

Carol Y. Mason (Ph.D., 1936), professor of geography, State Teachers College, Marysville, Missouri, taught at the State Teachers College, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, during the summer of 1938 and traveled through the west to Laramie, Wyoming. She spoke at the meeting of the Missouri State Council of Geography Teachers at Kansas City in 1938, and was elected vice-president of the State Council for 1939.

Sidney E. Ekblaw (Ph.D., 1934), chairman of the Department of Geology and Geography at the University of Kansas City, plans to teach this summer at Kansas City State Teachers College, after which he hopes to do research for several articles. Recently Dr. Ekblaw and some of his associates gave several broadcasts over Station WDAF on different phases of geography and geology.

Grover B. Selvidge (student, 1931-'32), has recently written a comprehensive study of the climate of Springfield, Missouri. He may be reached through the Department of Geography, State Teachers College in that city.

NEBRASKA

Nels A. Bengtson (Ph.D., 1927), continues his duties as chairman of the Department of Geography, at the University of Nebraska, and as consulting editor in charge of the Prentice-Hall Geography Series. At the present, *Fundamentals of Economic Geography* by Bengtson and Van

Royen, is in its fifth printing, and a new edition is in progress.

During the past summer, Dr. Bengston studied in the southeastern United States, furthering his "Regional Studies of Farm Prices of Wheat and Corn in the United States." The following summer will find him, for the eleventh consecutive season, lecturing on economic geography at the Columbia University Summer Session, and then returning to the southeast for more field work in August and September.

Mrs. A. F. Cole (Ruth Laidlaw) (A.M., 1927), lives at 4152 Davenport Street, Omaha, Nebraska. Care of her three children, one of whom is beginning college this fall, keeps her quite busy.

Esther S. Anderson (Ph.D., 1932), assistant professor of geography at the University of Nebraska, is working assiduously on a textbook, *Regional Geography of the Continents* in collaboration with Dr. E. E. Lackey. In addition to her teaching duties at Nebraska, which include a new graduate course, "Urban Geography," Esther recently made a trip to the "Soo" Locks and Mackinac Island.

William Van Royen (Ph.D., 1928), assistant professor of geography at the University of Nebraska, represented the state of Nebraska at the International Geographic Congress in Amsterdam, as a delegate appointed by the governor. At the congress he enjoyed disagreeing with Dr. Van and thinks the latter is getting "an awful Massachusetts accent,"—what price the influences of geographic environment! His own Dutch was so rusty that one native of Amsterdam deemed it wise to reply to him in English. Dr. Van Royen is continuing his research on the Dominican Republic.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Elizabeth Gregory (A.M., 1930), instructor in geography, Normal School, Keene, N. H., is studying the Industrial Development of the Ashuelot River Valley. She was one of the speakers at the New England Geographical Conference, on "Teacher Training Institutions," and plans to

teach this summer at the Buffalo State Teachers College.

Albert S. Carlson (student, 1937-'38), has returned to his position as assistant professor of economic geography at Dartmouth. He seems to be interested in the Granite State, for he is preparing an "Economic-Geographic Analysis of Industry in Cities of the Merrimack Valley, N. H.," for his dissertation. He reports that everything is going fine, so the climate of the "ski heil" country must be agreeable.

NEW JERSEY

Harley P. Milstead (Ph.D., 1933), professor of geography, State Teachers College, Upper Montclair, N. J., has been quite reticent, but we know at least that he attended the meetings of the Association and National Council in Boston last Christmas and the recent New England Conference at Clark.

Maria A. Sanjurjo (A.M., 1938). It was with great disappointment that Toni's friends at Clark learned that she is soon to return to Vigo, Spain, for an indefinite stay. Since Clark days, Toni has been teaching at the New Jersey College for Women, New Brunswick. "Bon voyage, Toni, and a quick return!"

NEW YORK

Alfred R. Sumner (A.M., 1933), manages to find time from his work at the Lawrence School in Hewlett, N. Y., to travel rather extensively. He has recently toured Mexico, Scandinavia, and Great Britain. This summer he plans to visit Hudson Bay.

Winifred Smith (A.M., 1934), at present is teaching geography in the Junior-Senior High School at Sherrill, N. Y.

M. Catherine Roberts (Ph.D., 1938), head of the geography department at Potsdam Normal School, is working on "The Development and Conservation of the Natural Resources of St. Lawrence County, New York." Her travels this summer will include southeastern Canada and the Middle West.

Walter S. Ristow (Ph.D., 1937), continues as head of the Map Department of the New York Public

Library. His travels took him through the Middle West last summer and this year he plans to visit the British Isles and northern Europe.

Carl L. Stotz (Ph.D., 1937), assistant professor of geography at Fredonia Normal School, will teach at the University of Pittsburgh again this summer. During the past year Carl has been teaching several extension courses in geography at the Erie branch of the University of Pittsburgh.

George B. Cressey (Ph.D., 1931), is chairman of the Department of Geology and Geography at Syracuse University. A French translation of *China's Geographic Foundations*, "Geographie Humaine et Economique de la Chine" Payst et Cie, Paris, 1938, has recently appeared. At present he is working on research problems dealing with Siberia. In the summer of 1939 he plans to teach courses on China and Siberia at Michigan.

Asbjorn Fause (A.M., 1937), continues his teaching at Hunter College, New York. He plans to go to Duluth this summer to study and then to return to Hunter in the fall.

Mrs. Johnson E. Fairchild (Wilma Belden) (A.M., 1937), writes that she greatly enjoys her work with the American Geographical Society. She has published several items in the *Geographical Review* in the past year, and last winter accompanied Johnny to Florida. Her plans for the coming year are tersely stated as "work."

Johnson E. Fairchild (A.M., 1936), likes his teaching at Hunter College, New York City. He varied routine last summer by a trip to Haiti, and has research in progress on data gathered on this trip. He is also working on his dissertation on Martinique.

Mrs. Isabella K. Hart (A.M., 1927), head of the geography department and dean of women at the State Normal School, Oswego, N. Y., initiated a series of trips last summer by conducting a field party for twenty-one days through Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee. A similar one this summer will include a week-end at the New York World's Fair.

Robert B. Simpson (A.M., 1933),

of the College of Arts and Science in the University of Rochester gave a paper on "Changes in Population Distribution in the Canandaigua Lake District, New York," at the annual meetings of the New York State Geographical Association.

Bob writes, "The Boston meetings of the A. A. G. this year were the most successful yet, from my personal standpoint, and in no small part this was because it looked at times like a Clark alumni session."

Katherine Thomas Whittemore (Ph.D., 1936), head of the Department of Geography, Buffalo State Teachers College, read a paper: "Influence of Educational Trends on Methods and Materials in Geography" at the Boston meeting of the National Council of Geography Teachers.

NEW ZEALAND

Adelbert K. Botts (Ph.D., 1934), is exchange teacher at the Teachers' Training College, Auckland, New Zealand. He and his family left Los Angeles August 17, 1938, and reached Auckland via Honolulu, Pago Pago, Samoa, Suva, and Fiji. The Botts's are very enthusiastic about New Zealand and after September 15, 1939, any first-hand information you desire concerning the islands can be obtained by a personal interview with them at State Normal College, Cortland, N. Y.

"In general," writes Dr. Botts, "New Zealanders respect America. They feel a sense of kinship and a community of interest in things of the Pacific. To them, the United States is the one great hope for the maintenance of pacific conditions in that ocean, the great bulwark against Japanese domination in the South Pacific. There is no end of wishful thinking on the part of New Zealanders in matters of American foreign relations."

NORTH CAROLINA

Franklin C. Erickson (Ph.D., 1935), is assistant professor of geography at the University of North Carolina, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Last summer he toured eastern Canada, and this summer hopes to visit Worcester

and the New York World's Fair. Between trips and teaching "Kink" drew the maps for Dr. Van's new book on Political Geography, and plans to publish an article on land utilization soon.

OHIO

Leonard R. Schneider (A.M., 1930), continues as head of the science department at John Hay High School, Cleveland, Ohio.

L. LeMar Stephen (student, 1934-'35), is now instructor in geography, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. On September 3, 1938, he married Lenice Evelyn Vaughan (A.M., George Peabody, 1935) of Montevallo, Alabama. Tardy, but nevertheless sincere, best wishes from THE MONADNOCK! After teaching summer school at Kent, LeMar plans to spend the rest of the summer at Clark working on his thesis "Land Economy of the Upper Glades (Florida)" under Dr. Ekblaw.

Helen M. Boyer (A.M., 1938), is teaching at Saylor Park School in Cincinnati, Ohio. She was another of the numerous Clark alumni who attended the Association meetings held last Christmas in Cambridge.

Clyde E. Cooper (Ph.D., 1927), head of the Department of Geography and Geology, Ohio University, Athens, has been working on a new book *Teaching Technique in Modern Geography*, and is now ready to turn it over to Farrar and Rinehart for publication. He writes that his spring vacation was spent in Florida, and that the summer vacation will be spent in Canada.

Mrs. Maude C. Martin (A.M., 1926), is still teaching geography at the Junior High School in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. She recently spent three months in Europe, travelling in England, France, Italy, and Switzerland.

Lois R. Keller (A.M., 1929), has been on the faculty of the Shaker Heights Junior High School, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, since 1929. She will teach this summer in the State Teachers College, Farmville, Virginia.

Eugene Van Cleef (Ph.D., 1926), professor of geography at Ohio State University, is rounding out twenty-five years of research relative to the

Finns and the problem of settlement. Last summer he visited the Pacific coast to study Finnish settlement and recently published several articles on the subject. This summer it will be "his turn" to teach at Ohio State.

F. Webster McBryde (student, 1931-'32), is now an instructor in the Department of Geography, Ohio State University. We hear that he is married and has a child, born last summer.

OKLAHOMA

Meredith F. Burrill (Ph.D., 1930), professor of geography at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, was Clark's Oklahoma representative at this year's meeting of the Association where he presented an interesting paper. He reports that Oklahoma A. and M. is now offering a major in geography. He has recently been elected secretary of the Social Science Research council at that institution.

Clyde J. Bollinger (student, 1925-'26, 1929-'30), associate professor of geography, University of Oklahoma, has managed to find time for extensive travel in addition to his duties as chairman of the Department of Geography. He reports that the University of Oklahoma has established a "Class A" evaporation station and weather station, equipped with a triple recording soil thermograph and has a sea water thermograph making regular crossings between New Orleans and Vera Cruz. Besides receiving membership in the Oklahoma Central Committee on Conservation Education, Clyde organized the geography section for the Oklahoma Academy of Science this spring.

OREGON

J. Norman Carls (Ph.D., 1935), is assistant professor of geography at Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, Oregon. He has recently contributed two chapters on "Location" and "Oregon Population Problem" in the book *Economic Geography of Oregon* which will be published this spring by the Oregon State System of Education.

He writes: "Took a 10,000-mile auto trip last summer in which I visited the 'Hank' Primmers at Duluth, the

'Sid' Ekblaws at Kansas City, and the "Kirk" Kirkendalls at Boulder, Colorado." This summer he plans to conduct a field studies tour of northern and central California and southern Oregon.

PENNSYLVANIA

H. Harrison Russell (Ph.D., 1926), is still head of the geography department, State Teachers College, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, according to the latest information which we have received.

Robert M. Ney (A.M., 1938), is an instructor in economic geography at the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. In addition to his teaching duties he has found time for several trips and a few games of chess as well. We may expect the appearance of an article of his soon.

G. Etzel Percy (A.M., 1932), instructor in the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, has been doing considerable cartographic work, including illustrations for Swain's "History of World Civilization." He reports progress on his dissertation, "A Study of Avignon, France." Last summer he added to his already extensive travels by taking a trip around the world.

RHODE ISLAND

Warren Nystrom (A.M., 1937), is completing his second year as instructor in geography at the Rhode Island College of Education, Providence. Warren deserted the ranks of the bachelors last summer by marrying Miss Anne Carlson of Worcester. After the wedding Warren and his bride travelled extensively in eastern Canada.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Harry H. Hutter (A.M., 1930), is professor of geography at the State Teachers College in Aberdeen, South Dakota. Last summer he attended summer school at the University of Wisconsin where he studied under J. R. Whitaker and Roderick Peattie.

SWITZERLAND

Karl Stacy (student, 1936-'37), is spending a year as exchange student

at Universität Zurich. With *Hans Boesch* and *Ralph Olson* in the vicinity, he and Mrs. Stacy have felt very much at home. Karl seems to have profited by his stay in Europe for he has already visited ten countries, including Slovensko. He writes that the changing map of Europe has played havoc with his travels, however.

Hans Boesch (student, 1934-'35), whose present address is Haselweg 1, Zurich VII, Switzerland, extends a cordial invitation to every Clark alumnus who plans to visit Switzerland. At present he is teaching, lecturing, and working as a practical geologist but expects to be Privatdozent in geography at Zurich University shortly. Besides working on other research problems, Dr. Boesch, who was a field geologist in Iraq last year, is planning a regional geography of that country.

TENNESSEE

Thomas Chamberlin (A.M., 1937), is teaching geography at the State Teachers College, Johnson City, Tennessee. Last December when the Chamberlins stopped in Worcester on their way to the Cambridge meetings we learned about the delightful location of Johnson City. Tommy hopes to travel to Cuba one of these days and continue his study of the climate of Cuba.

TEXAS

Edwin J. Foscue (Ph.D., 1931), professor of geography, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, is collaborating with *Dr. C. Langdon White* (Ph.D., 1925) on a text, *The Regional Geography of North America*. He spent the summer of 1938 teaching at the University of Nebraska and travelling through the Rocky Mountain National Park region, Colorado. This summer he plans to teach at Western Reserve University and later to visit New York City, and probably Clark University.

VIRGINIA

E. Ray Casto (Ph.D., 1926), is professor of geography and geology at Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia. A trip to the Holy Land in 1935 has been a source for many

articles of his. At present Dr. Casto is preparing a workbook in economic geography. The coming summer will find him teaching education and geography at Emory and Henry.

WASHINGTON

Otis W. Freeman (Ph.D., 1929), head of the Department of Physical Science at the Eastern Washington College of Education, was elected second vice-president of the National Council of Geography Teachers for 1939. He serves as the editor of the annual *Yearbook of the Association of Pacific Coast Geographers*, and the quarterly, *Northwest Science*. Along with working on textbooks for geography and publishing various magazine articles, he travelled to Hawaii, New Zealand, Fiji, and Australia in the summer of 1938.

Phil E. Church (Ph.D., 1937), is assistant professor of geography and meteorology, University of Washington. At the Spokane meeting of the Inland Empire Educational Association in April, Phil was chairman of the geography section. During the last winter quarter he gave a course in oceanography to 140 students. The University of Washington has recently placed him on its publications committee. August will see him in San Francisco at the Sixth Congress of the Pacific Science Association.

WISCONSIN

Minnie E. Lemaire (Ph.D., 1935), acting chairman of the Department of Geography at State Teachers College, LaCross, Wisconsin, spent the summer of 1938 visiting the Virgin, Windward, and Leeward islands. Her plans for the coming year, although not definite, include six months to be spent visiting New Zealand, Australia, and South Africa.

Meta Pils (A.M., 1932), social studies teacher at Shorewood Public School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, recently taught a demonstration lesson, "How the Movies May Be Used in Teaching Social Science" before the Milwaukee Women's Club. Meta feels that THE MONADNOCK serves a very

useful purpose in keeping members of the alumni in touch with Clark.

FACULTY NOTES

President Atwood and Dr. Atwood, Jr., are looking forward to two months of field work this summer in the Northern Rockies, a continuation of their previous studies of the physiography of the Southern Rockies. Besides working on the individual problems of the various ranges, they hope to correlate the major erosion surfaces of both regions, and so to present a unified picture of the whole area. Towards the end of July they will return to Massachusetts to spend the rest of the summer interpreting and writing up the data gathered in the field.

President Atwood is awaiting the final proof of his *Physiography of North America*. Shortly after the book is published, Dr. Atwood, Jr.'s *Laboratory Manual*, to accompany the text, will appear.

Dr. Jones and Dr. Ekblaw will both be in Worcester this summer teaching in the Clark University Summer School. Dr. Jones' courses will be "Economic Geography" and "Geography of Caribbean America." Dr. Ekblaw will teach "Human Geography and "North America." On May 16th, Dr. Ekblaw made the opening speech of the National Land Planners Conference which was held at Boston.

Dr. van Valkenburg is already travelling in the Balkans, having sailed from Boston on April 2nd. He will be back in Massachusetts in time to teach at the Clark Summer School. As his arrival in Greece almost coincided with that of King Zog, when he returns, we expect to hear the "inside story" of the "Balkan Checkerboard."

Wallace Walter, III, born to Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Atwood, Jr., on February 28, 1939, has been the pride and joy of the household. Although a potential physiographer, he probably won't accompany President Atwood and Dr. Wally on the field trip to the Northern Rockies this summer.

WORKROOM ALUMNI

To make the Alumni News as complete as possible, something must be added about those alumni who are attending the School of Geography this year.

Frank Schadegg (A.M., 1937), returned to Clark for the second semester to work toward his doctorate. During most of last summer and fall, Frank was doing field work in the Colville river valley in northern Washington. Apart from his studies at Clark, he is also employed as an assistant agricultural agent under the Worcester County Land Use Planning Project, one of the many activities of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Anthony J. West (A.M., 1930), of the State Teachers College, Brockport, New York, is also a student in the School of Geography. At the recent New England Geographical Conference, Tony exhibited some excellent plans for the Model Geography Laboratory, which is to be housed in a new building on the Brockport campus.

Rose Zeller (A.M., 1930), is on leave from the Department of Geography at Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, Charleston. Rose is busy during this semester on her dissertation, "The Ethnic Changes in the Population of Worcester County."

Shannon McCune (student, 1937-'38), recently returned to the workroom after spending a year in Korea (or "Tyosen" as he prefers it to be written) collecting material for his dissertation on "The Climates of Korea." Mrs. McCune accompanied him on the trip. January 23, 1939, is an eventful day to Shannon for on that day he became the father of Antoinette McCune. Having heard something of Shannon's proud claims, we are hoping to have an opportunity to see "Toni" when she arrives in the United States with her mother in July. Shannon will teach at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, this summer.

Margaret Walker (student, 1925-'26, 1937-'38), who teaches in the Department of Geography, Mills Col-

lege, Oakland, California, is another alumnus who is back at the School of Geography. She is busily engaged in making a study of the "Citrus Fruit Industry of the Rio Grande Valley."

Merle Myers (A.M., 1937), is completing his residence work towards a Ph.D. Last year he substituted for Paul Morrison at East Lansing, Mich.

William B. Brierly (A.M., 1936), for the past two years has been working on the geography of disease under the late Dr. E. B. McKinley of George Washington University. He is now continuing work on his doctorate at Clark.

THE NEW ENGLAND GEOGRAPHICAL CONFERENCE

On April 28th and 29th Clark University was again host to the New England Geographical Conference. With a program arranged that proved every bit as interesting and worthwhile as it promised to be, the Conference had as its opening speaker on Friday afternoon, Dr. Ellsworth Huntington, talking on the timely topic of, "The Outlook of the Balkan States." Miss Genevieve Lamson, Professor of Geography at Vassar College, also focused interest on the Balkans with an illustrated lecture on the "Landscapes of Yugoslavia." The second part of the afternoon session centered on geography as a study. Professor Robert M. Brown, Miss Elizabeth Gregory, and Mr. Trevor Lloyd, all active in the educational field, presented short papers on the status of geography in the type of school with which each was connected. The same trend of thought was continued Saturday morning with President Atwood speaking on, "The Increasing Significance of Geography in National and International Affairs," and Superintendent of Worcester schools, Dr. Young, discussing "Geography in the Public School." Men as well informed on the Orient as Dr. George H. Blakeslee, Mr. Shannon McCune, and Mr. Ching-Yuan Li spoke on various phases and problems of the Far East. The meetings were open to discussion after each group of lectures.

Friday evening Dr. Wallace Atwood, Jr., and Mr. Eugene Kingman presented, "Crater Lake and Yosemite Through the Ages," illustrated with paintings and colored motion pictures. The excellent pictures shared in making the evening's program entertaining as well as educational.

Of great interest to the members and guests of the Conference were the several geographical exhibits on display.

The officers of the Conference, Dr. Earl B. Shaw, Dr. Wallace W. Atwood, Jr., and Dr. Clarence F. Jones are to be commended for planning and organizing such a stimulating session. Approximately two hundred teachers and students registered during the two-day session.

GRADUATE SCHOOL BIBLIOGRAPHY

President Atwood's seminar course this year has been occupied with a study of geography in education—from pre-school years to the graduate school. To make students more familiar with the literature, the President appointed a committee of men to report on textbooks and reference books and a committee of girls to report upon supplementary material. From this modest beginning has grown a bibliography of over two hundred mimeographed pages.

A great deal of careful work has been put into checking the books and commenting on them so that the lists should prove useful for several years to come. In addition to spending about \$85 on paper and stencils, it was necessary to employ a secretary to assist in the production of the 250 copies of the first edition. These costs are being met from the workroom fee.

At the New England Geographical Conference where the bibliography was first made available, complete copies were sold for \$1 each. "Profits" will be passed on to the Student Loan Fund. Anyone wishing to receive a copy should write to Guy Burnham. A detailed list of the contents follows:

I. Textbooks and Reference Books.

Part I. Elementary and Junior High School.

II. Senior High School.

III. Teachers' College, Liberal Arts College, Graduate School.

IV. The Teaching of Geography.

V. Adult Education.

VI. Magazines and Periodicals.

II. Supplementary Reading for Secondary and Elementary Schools.

Part I. Grades 1 and 2.

II. Grades 3 and 4.

III. Grades 5 and 6.

IV. Junior High School and Senior High School.

FIELD TRIPS

The hurricane disposed of the annual field camp in the fall, but we have received some compensation through short field trips. These included a one day tour of the Blackstone Valley led by Dr. Jones, concentrating mainly on economic aspects; a two-day trip to Quincy, Plymouth and Cape Cod to study physiography and land use under the leadership of President Atwood and Dr. Ekblaw, and a day spent in seeing Boston Harbor and the Blue Hill Observatory.

NEW ARRIVALS IN THE WORKROOM

Ching-Yuan Li of Chungking, China, secured his B.Sc. degree from the National Tsinghua University in 1934 and his A.M. from Columbia in 1937. Besides serving as an assistant in the geology and geography department of his undergraduate school he has been connected with the National Geological Survey of China as Junior Geologist. In 1938 Li was a Scientific Research Fellow of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture. In addition he has been active in writing, having been co-editor of the *Geography of China* published by the National Resources Commission of China in 1936, as well as co-editor of the *China Institute Bulletin*, published by the China Institute of America.

Shao-Yuan Tao, of Shanghai, received his B.A. degree in Education from KwangHua University, Shanghai in 1928 and his M.S. in Geography from the University of Chicago in 1938. From 1928 to 1937 Tao held the position of dean and instructor in geography at the KwangHua High School in Shanghai. At present he is serving as executive secretary of the Chinese Students Christian Association in North America. This summer, Tao plans to attend the National Conference of Chinese Students to be held in Boston in June and the World Conference of Christian Youth to be held in Amsterdam in the latter part of July.

C. U. G. S. LECTURE SERIES

In order to broaden the scope of our work at Clark and to give individual members of the Society an opportunity to speak on subjects with which they were well acquainted, two groups of students' lectures were presented this semester.

In addition to the student lectures, student seminars have been held weekly by members of the Society in the Libbey Library. They have done much to clarify the students' ideas about important aspects of geography.

SEMINARS

During the current spring semester, seminars have been held regularly from February to April. Under the guidance of the staff, nineteen members of the seminar have presented papers in four major fields relating to soils, economic geography, political geography and physiography.

The soil seminar was held in February under the direction of Dr. Ekblaw. Anthony West discussed the "Early American Concern in Soils." He found that until the close of the 18th Century, American interest in the soil was characterized by a policy of exploitation. William Brierly in his paper entitled "Plants as Soil Indicators" showed how "The natural vegetation cover indicates the character and consequently the potential use of the soil." Clare Scott made "A survey of the pedological, economic and social aspects of the re-

clamation of the light-colored desert soils and the hydromorphic soils of the United States." Jackson Guernsey in his "Soils and Society" pointed out that "An enlightened soil policy and an accord of soil use with related activities are fundamental prerequisites to stable agriculture and efficient farm population." The closing paper was read by Sidley Macfarlane. In his "Modern American Concern in Soils" he mentioned that "The desire for economic security tends to the delegation of new powers to the government."

The economic geography seminar was held in March under the guidance of Dr. Jones. Merle Myers, Veva Dean, Bradford McGaw, John Sherman and Mary Fontaine presented papers on the location of the iron and steel manufacturing regions of the United States. Each speaker prepared a distribution map of a different phase of the industry, based upon the recent statistics for blast furnaces, output of rolling mills, consumption of pig-iron, etc. A final consolidated map showed clearly the distribution of the iron and steel manufacturing regions of the United States and the significance of that distribution.

The political geography seminar, held jointly with the Department of History and International Relations, devoted its discussion to the islands of the Pacific. The work of the two participants from the Geography School was to supply a foundation for a discussion of the strategy of the Pacific. Paul Siple dealt with both the physical aspects and settlement of the islands. Trevor Lloyd reported on "Routes, Population and Resources." In discussing population, special attention was paid to the Japanese in Hawaii and the mandated islands. Both speakers made effective use of a good exhibition of maps. Dr. van Valkenburg opened the meeting while Dr. Blakeslee led the discussion.

Dr. W. W. Atwood, Jr., led the physiography seminar on Appalachian drainage. Urban Linehan, Leo Alpert, John Taylor, and Arthur Burt presented the views of Davis, Johnson,

Mackin and Ver Steeg respectively. The meeting was especially fortunate in having Drs. Meyerhoff and Olmstead of Smith College to present their own views. The former's theory, challenging the original Johnsonian interpretation of Appalachian drainage, has attracted widespread attention in this country.

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