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BUILDING PROGRAM ADVANCES

The ideas of many Swarthmore women are taking shape on the drawing boards of Sydney Martin and Associates of Philadelphia, who are preparing working drawings for the new women's dormitory.

The Board of Managers had originally hoped to obtain financing for the new dormitory in time to start construction this past summer. The national emergency, however, has dictated a change in timing; but the plans for the dormitory are being completed so that there will be no delay on that score when the opportune moment comes.

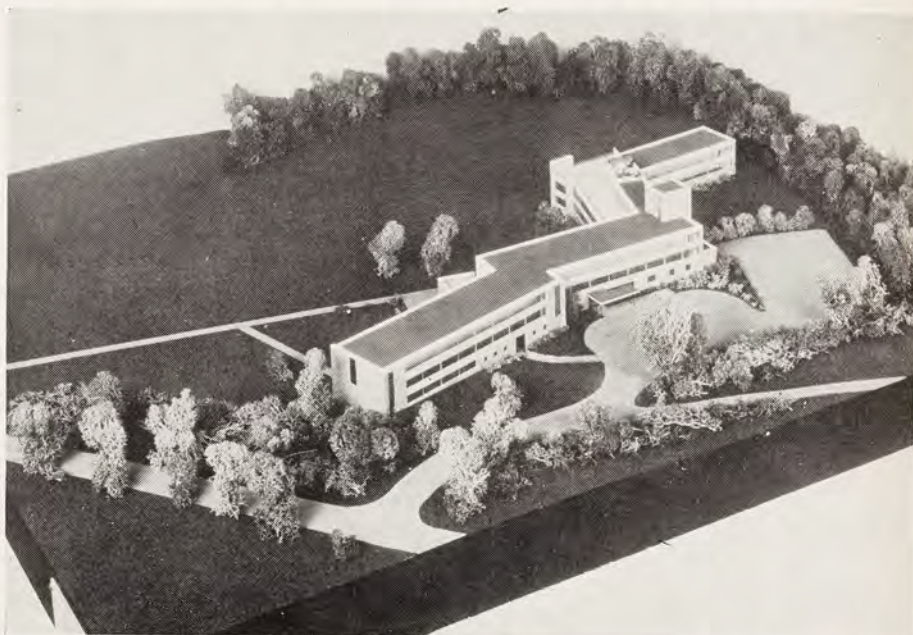
Costs Have Risen

The cost of dormitories has increased enormously in recent years. With traditional buildings costing an astronomical figure per cubic foot, much thought has been given to the minimum size for each student room. Last year a "mock up" model of such a room was built inside one of the high ceiling rooms of Parrish Hall. Many undergraduate women visited this room, some lived in it. They made many useful suggestions. Floor area and ceiling height were studied in order to design the minimum room which would be comfortable, attractive, and meet the needs of the present undergraduates.

These studies confirmed the architects' statement that large window areas make small rooms "feel" larger than they would with traditional small window design. The new dormitory will have large windows, the outside being of stone and glass. The building will be fireproof throughout. Designed to accommodate 120 girls, one-third of the rooms will be doubles and two-thirds singles. They will be arranged in social units of 20 girls each.

Site Debated

Much discussion was given by the Board to site, and it was finally decided to locate the new building, with its new architectural design, on the present baseball field. There it will harmonize with the new science building, which is planned for the north end of the football field.



PROPOSED WOMEN'S DORM. A scale model of the future women's dormitory, constructed by Sydney Martin and Associates of Philadelphia. The way is being cleared for construction of this building and the proposed science building by work on the new athletic field, shown below. The dormitory and science building will occupy part of the present baseball and football fields.

The Board Committee on the Women's Dormitory is headed by Robert E. Lamb '03, and includes Boyd T. Barnard '17, Mary Lippincott Griscom '01, Barclay White '06, Philip T. Sharples '10, Eleanor Stabler

Clarke '18, Ruth Potter Ashton and Anna Engle Taylor '25. Contributions to this long-needed building continue to be welcome. The funds so far donated are considerably less than the anticipated cost.



PROGRESS ON ATHLETIC FIELD. This photograph shows the late summer status of preparations for Swarthmore's new athletic center, scheduled for use in 1951-52. In the foreground is the future playing area, once the site of a dump, already levelled off for planting and construction. At the rear is the south side of the Lamb-Miller Field House.

SWARTHMORE IN A CHANGING WORLD

*The Alumni Day Address of
Thomas B. McCabe '15
Chairman of the Board of Governors
Federal Reserve System*

This day is our day. All of the other days of the year belong to the college but this one is exclusively ours.

To the casual bystander this celebration, with its parade and stunts, must seem fantastic. To the cynic we must appear as simple sentimentalists. But to us it is all a very real reliving of a rich past—a past that becomes increasingly treasured as time speeds by.

The occasion is of special significance to those who have traveled the longest distances and made the greatest sacrifices to get here. For all of us it is a holiday—a time when we can renew old friendships, revive old memories, dream old dreams, and recapture the adventurous spirit of our youth.

Swarthmore Influences

Perhaps some of us have a curiosity in coming back because there is a certain sense of satisfaction in seeing how much older our contemporaries have become than we. A glimpse of the undergraduates, however, is positively depressing because they get younger and younger with each successive reunion. My class undoubtedly must have seemed very young to the alumni when they gathered here in 1915 in the old amphitheater with its memorable wooden stage and benches to see us graduate. Ours was the largest class in the history of Swarthmore up to that time. William Howard Taft was our Commencement speaker, and I recall the hectic time Dr. Alleman had in finding a chair in the vicinity of Philadelphia large enough to accommodate Mr. Taft's huge frame. It was a frightfully warm day and the perspiration ran down the ex-President's face in rivulets.

The subject of his address was "The Church, Civilization, and War." He made a magnificent appeal for the creation of a league of nations. He met the next day in Independence Hall with a group to consider the plans for such a league. Taft was a realist, but probably even he did not

appreciate the obstacles that would have to be overcome in the long, hard road that we and other nations would have to travel to attain the goal.

I recall also another incident on this stage when, as an undergraduate, I was asked to speak to a group of visitors invited here by the Society of Friends. That speech was delivered with all the sincerity and enthusiasm of youth but some of my finest phrases came home to mock me a couple of years later when we entered the war. The decade prior to 1915 was a stir-



Thomas B. McCabe

ring era in which youth, especially Swarthmore's youth, was in the midst of an idealistic ferment which left few of us untouched. The most callous student could scarcely get through college, and certainly not through Swarthmore, without being moved by basic religious influences and the insistent demands for social, political, and economic reforms.

Wilson and Others

Who of us can ever forget the stirring words of Woodrow Wilson, spoken here in my senior year, when he said, "I cannot admit that a man establishes his right to call himself a college graduate by showing me his diploma. The only way he can prove it is by showing that his eyes are lifted to some horizon which other men less instructed than he have not been privileged to see. Unless he carries freight of the spirit he has not been

bred where spirits are bred. . . ."

Mitchell Palmer, Governor Sproul and other leaders were frequent visitors to the campus. I will never forget Mitchell Palmer's admonition to make our dreams come true or the fiery words of the great evangelist, Billy Sunday, when he spoke to us in Collection in February 1915.

When I hear alumni refer glowingly to the conservative faculties of the good old days in contrast to the radicals on university faculties today, my mind goes back to the Swarthmore faculty of my time—to such controversial figures as Scott Nearing, Dr. Brooks, or Ducky Holmes. They incurred indignation of parents and alumni far more actively than anything we hear today.

Our youth coincided with the development of the progressive movement in politics. The influence of Teddy Roosevelt as President and his Bull Moose party in the election of 1912 was everywhere. Woodrow Wilson became President while we were in college. The women's suffrage movement was then in full sway and classes in political science throughout the land were studying the many burning questions of the day, including the Initiative and Referendum, the direct election of Senators, the new Federal Reserve Act, the Income Tax Law which was enacted in 1913, and public control of national resources.

Outbreak of War

All of these proposals had been designed to redress the balance between what was termed the rights of the people on the one hand, and the power of concentrated wealth on the other. Not only were these questions debated actively in the classes of Dr. Brooks, Dr. Robinson, and others, as well as in intercollegiate debates, but more importantly they were the subject of intense discussion all over the campus.

In those formative years, we also saw the birth of dynamic ideas in the business world—the concepts of scientific management and mass production which promised to make feasible the twin goals of high wages to the worker and low prices to the consumer. No one then dreamed the

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NEWS ON THE CAMPUS

REED PROFESSOR HERE

Dr. Robert A. Rosenbaum, professor of mathematics at Reed College of Portland, Ore., is teaching at Swarthmore this year. Rosenbaum comes to Swarthmore on an exchange which takes Philip Carruth of the college faculty to Reed. The switch is part of a national exchange plan sponsored by Wellesley College and designed to give educators in mathematics a broader teaching experience.

Rosenbaum has been at Reed since 1940, except for three years in the U. S. Navy. His background includes an A.B. and Ph.D. from Yale University and graduate work at St. John's College, Cambridge, England. He recently carried out a research project in pure mathematics under auspices of a grant from the Research Foundation.



Robert A. Rosenbaum

University, he taught at the latter school during 1946-48.

The appointment of Murray S. Stedman, Jr., was announced in the last issue of the *Garnet Letter*. The former Brown University professor will teach courses in Modern Party Politics and American Political Thought, plus a seminar in Politics and Legislation.

Clair Wilcox, chairman of the economics department, announces the appointment of Joseph D. Conard as assistant professor of economics. Mr. Conard is a graduate of the University of California, where he has been teaching recently. A member of the Society of Friends, he has been active in the work of the Friends Service

Committee. During World War II he worked under the direction of President Nason in the relocation of Japanese students. Conard will teach courses and seminars in Economic Theory and International Economics.

Also added to the faculty are five instructors, a lecturer and four research assistants. One instructor is a returnee—Elisa Asensio, instructor in romance languages, returns to that department after an absence of one year.

Both of Swarthmore's new vice-presidential appointees have undertaken academic duties. Joseph B. Shane is serving as professor of education in addition to his duties as administrator of alumni affairs, fund-raising and public relations; and Edward K. Cratsley, vice-president in charge of internal finance, has also been named professor of economics.

IRON PILLARS

Parrish Hall underwent a considerable facelifting this summer. College officials, investigating discolorations on the surface of the familiar white pillars, discovered to their astonishment that the pillars were of cast iron and the stains were actually rust. Came the contractors, and there followed a sanding, rustproofing and repainting.

Inside the venerable main building, Swarthmoreans are having trouble finding things these days. A general reshuffle of offices, necessitated by the installation of vice-presidents Shane and Cratsley, produced no little confusion at first. Readjustment is taking place, however, and even creatures of habit (meaning everyone) are beginning to get the new idea.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

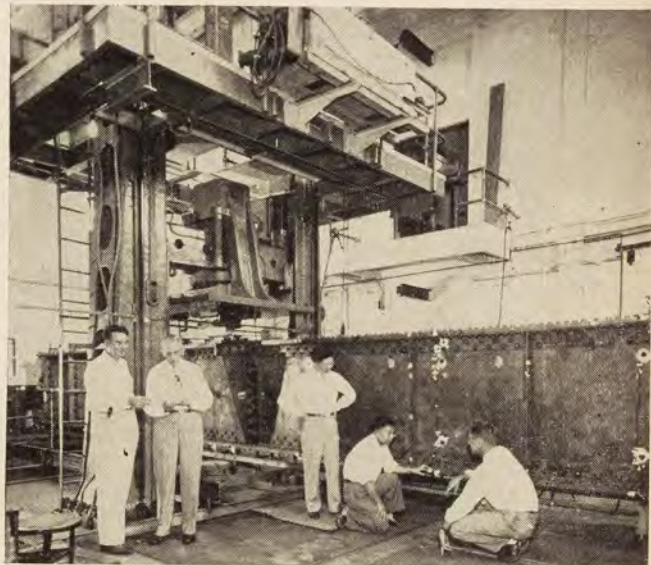
Two new assistant professors of political science have joined the faculty this fall. John I. Michaels, Jr., comes to Swarthmore from the Russian Institute of Columbia University, where he has been working for his doctor's degree. Mr. Michaels is on joint appointment with Bryn Mawr and Haverford and will teach courses in Soviet economics and politics at all three institutions. A graduate of the University of Wichita and Ohio State

STUDENTS HONORED

Barbara Wolff '52 of Flushing, N. Y., was selected for special research training during the summer at the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory at Bar Harbor, Me. Miss Wolff was chosen competitively from applicants throughout the nation on the basis of her work in the sciences at Swarthmore last year.

Barbara's classmate Priscilla Washburn, Open Scholar from Watertown, Mass., was the winner of one of 41 scholarships to the Harvard Summer School awarded this spring.

TEST AT BEARDSLEY. Highway officials viewing a test of a girder used in highway construction at the Beardsley Hall laboratory. The girder is being compressed and twisted in the 300-ton testing machine used by the college. The test is part of a project sponsored by the Bureau of Public Roads and the Pennsylvania Department of Highways and carried out by the civil engineering departments of Lehigh University and Swarthmore. Left to right are William Eney, Lehigh; Neil Van Eenam, Bureau of Public Roads; F. K. Chang, Department of Highways; Gerald Kubo, New York University; Samuel T. Carpenter, Swarthmore College.



FOREVER WSGA

By MARY ANN ASH '51

"Efficiency and economy" have rapidly become bywords in everything from automobile production to bed-making. Even Swarthmore's WSGA (still meaning Womens' Student Government Association), that stalwart guardian of female student manners and morals, has yielded to the times; the great legacy of do's and don'ts once inherited by young ladies of the freshman class has mysteriously shrunk. One sometimes wonders what happened to the rule, "All young women must come into the building



Time . . .

when the twilight bell rings." (In fact, what happened to the twilight bell?) Or the dictum that "skating and coasting at night is absolutely forbidden, either with college or outside men." Perhaps, during a series of mild winters, it was forgotten.

Be that as it may, the old rules are definitely gone and with them the chaperons' lists, the outdoor social hour and the College Equal Suffrage League. The 1950 WSGA rule book, in comparison with its 1900 counterpart, might raise rumors of a serious paper shortage. However, the outmoded rules would have no more place on campus today than would the Equal Suffrage League; the need

for them has passed. After all, why shouldn't a young lady play tennis with a young gentleman without a chaperon?

The March Down Magill

This "paring away," however, has been very gradual. For example, take the southern boundary to which the gentle sex might walk with their beaux. It fairly inched its way down Magill. According to the early student handbooks, it was "the first group of stairs on the asphaltum," later the second set, and finally "the line between the library and the sundial." The last change seemed barely more than a grammatical advantage, but every little bit counted. After that WSGA must have decided that the situation was too difficult to handle, for shortly afterward it gave up setting any boundary at all.

On the other side of Parrish, however, WSGA was still supervising the size of walking parties in Crum. In 1913 the minimum was three. By 1920 the girls were either stronger or the danger from falling leaves had decreased, for WSGA contented itself with merely advising against solitary nature hikes. Indeed, the temper of the times changed drastically in two years on this matter: the handbook issued in 1922 stated plainly in the "do's and don'ts" section, "Do take cross country tramps."

Orange Ties

In the year 1920, the following item appeared as part of the announcement of the Department of Physical Education for Women: "Our outfit for gym consists of black serge bloomers, all white middies, high white sneakers, orange ties. Our swimming costume consists of black grey woolen Annette Kellerman or California Beach Suit." Little imagination is required to recreate the Kellerman streamliner, and in the face of the Bikini, we are tempted to nostalgia. But why, *why* the orange ties?

It is not social customs and costume alone that have undergone a metamorphosis. It would seem that girls' very means of self-expression have been altered through the years. Today's battery of pert cheerleaders, for example, must be a jolt to members of the classes of 1916 and 1917, who

as freshmen were informed that "Swarthmore girls are not in the habit of cheering at athletic contests."

That Which Endureth

The last echoes of the twilight bell have faded off into Crum, and the black serge bloomer is departed lo, these many years. But if today's Swarthmorette cavorts no more in orange tie, she may yet hearken to the voice of sentiment, 1913 version: "It is a sentiment that after 10 p.m. young men say good-night at the door of Parrish Hall."

This sentiment, in company with



. . . marches on

the underlying ideals of all WSGA rules, bids fair to survive the Atomic Age.

For after all, the changes we have traced are changes in the icing, not the cake. WSGA is forever and inalterably WSGA, and we who make up that venerable but friendly body today are not so "different" as we—and alumnae—sometimes think. If we have not inherited from our predecessors the habit of silence at football games, it is to be hoped that we are the recipients of something more important. Call it friendliness and good sense. Call it Swarthmore.

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

LEADER IN JAPAN

Yoko Matsuoka '39, who returned to Swarthmore for graduate work last year after having spent the war and early postwar years in Japan, will enter the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy this fall. Newspapermen in



YOKO MATSUOKA '39

Japan rated Mrs. Matsuoka as one of the ten most prominent women there, when in 1946 she was a leader in the drive for independence and equality for her countrywomen.

The daughter of a leading Japanese editor, Yoko came to the United States in 1932. Her father had received an education in this country and wanted her to have the same advantage. She attended Shaker Heights (Ohio) High School and later Swarthmore, returning to Japan in 1939.

After the war, she worked in cooperation with visiting Americans in breaking up the traditional vassalage of Japanese women. Edgar Snow of the *Saturday Evening Post*, Darrell Berrigan of the *New York Post* and Laura Lou Brookman of *Ladies' Home Journal*, helped in her efforts at reeducation and publicized her work in this country. Miss Brookman is sponsoring her current stay in the United States.

Mrs. Matsuoka was dean of women at a girls' junior college during most of the war. In 1946, she became the interpreter for the Japanese chief of police at Hanamaki in northern

Japan. It was in her work as an interpreter that she met and worked with American writers.

She expects to return to Japan next year to put her graduate studies at Swarthmore and Fletcher to work in meeting Japan's recovery problems.

HALLOWELL ELECTED

H. Thomas Hollowell, Jr., '29, vice-president and general manager of Standard Pressed Steel of Jenkintown, Pa., has been named to the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State College. Trustee elections were held in early June. Mr. Hollowell becomes one of 21 elected trustees on a board of 32.

Mr. Hollowell was elected to the board by agricultural and industrial societies. His career has given him a wide background in cost and production control and in selection and training of employees. A member of the Society of Friends, he lives in Jenkintown.

FAIRY STORY LADY

Helen Becker '44 has earned herself the title of the "Fairy Story Lady" in postwar Europe. Every Sunday at 10:45 a.m. youngsters in the European Command area of the U. S. Army rush for the family radio to hear Miss Becker narrate fairy tales for a 15 minute period.

A special services librarian attached to the Munich Military Post, Miss Becker records her broadcasts in advance of the "on the air" time. She usually spends two mornings a month cutting transcriptions, in which she uses a piano as background. Response to these airings has been enthusiastic, and Miss Becker has now narrated over 50 fairyland adventures for her devoted audience.

PAPER SALUTES VALENTINE

Tribute was paid to the work of Alan Valentine '21 as president of the University of Rochester on the occasion of his retirement, June 30. An editorial in the *Rochester Democrat & Chronicle* declared that "Intelligently, courageously, in the manner of a lover of truth, a hater of thought-control, he pressed for quality education."

Outlining the difficulties that he faced during his administration, the *Democrat & Chronicle* concluded

that "... none could suggest that the University, under his leadership, had not marched steadily forward."

The editorial specifically cited Valentine's establishment of an Honors Division for exceptional students at Rochester and his stand against athletic subsidization. "His accomplishments," it said, "will stand for many a year."

After leaving Rochester, Valentine spent the summer on vacation in Maine.

MILLER CITED

Harry L. Miller '11, president of the Chester, Pa., Dairy Supply Company, was honored at a September meeting of the Chester and Delaware County Chamber of Commerce for his year of work on the Small Business Advisory Committee of the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Mr. Miller does not talk much about his own achievements, so it was only recently that it was learned he had been a member of the Committee for four years, attending Washington meetings at his own expense. The Committee's work has centered around improved methods of procure-



HARRY L. MILLER '11

ment by government agencies and tax problems of the small businessman.

Speaking of the 24-man Committee, Miller said, "We have better than 80 per cent attendance at our meetings and feel that we have accomplished much of value to small business and its millions of employees."

LUDLOW MUSICAL DIRECTOR

Ben Ludlow '32, who is now musical director of CBS' comedy participation program "Hit the Jackpot," will be remembered by Swarthmore contemporaries as manager of the college Glee Club and director of the campus dance band. Ben, the son of a prominent Philadelphia attorney, began college as a pre-legal student, but soon was much too involved in musical activities to have time for the law. He became a music major and took his degree in that department.

After graduation, he organized a dance band which played on cruise ships touring most of the Western Hemisphere. But in 1934 the performance of his *Christmas Chorale*, a symphonic tone poem, by Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra, encouraged him to turn to composition and arrangement. The following year he began to work as a free lance arranger for CBS and three years later joined the staff there.

His arrangements have been used by most of the nation's top vocalists, as well as by such conductors as Paul Whiteman and Benny Goodman. His *Christmas Fantasy*, based on 16th century French chorales, was conducted by Carl Kruger with the Detroit Symphony in 1947. He has worked on such CBS shows as "Columbia Workshop," "Great Moments in Music" and "Stage Door Canteen."

Ben was married in 1935 to the former Ann E. Miller. The couple live at Locust Valley, L. I., and have two sons.

SWARTHMORE JOINS WOMEN'S PLACEMENT BUREAU

Swarthmore has joined a group of colleges, who in cooperation with New York City employers have opened the Women's Placement Bureau, Inc., 541 Madison Avenue, New York 22, N. Y. This is a free service to Swarthmore women graduates. For an appointment call Miss Alice King, the Executive Director, at Plaza 8-2153.

The bureau will register, refer and place applicants who are alumnae of member colleges; canvass business firms and professional organizations for job openings; explore fields of employment for older women, and act as the New York office for college placement bureaus.

Vocational guidance at the College

is under the direction of Barbara Colbron, Associate Dean of Women and Gilmore Stott, Assistant Dean of Men. Both offices work very closely with the Alumni Office in arranging interviews with prospective employers for members of the senior class and Alumni.

THE 1950 HAMBURG SHOW

Close to one hundred and fifty students are working hard to make the 1950 Hamburg Show the biggest single event of the college year.

The Lost Generation of 1927 and the town of Ambourg, Europe, provide the setting for this year's traditional Hamburg Show. An American student tries to win the Burgomeister's daughter, but finds that she is already betrothed to a legendary devil.

The show is written by Rusty Smith '52, Little Theatre Club head and "Slats" of last year's show and scored by John McIntyre '51, musical director for the third time.

CLASS OF 1954

Two hundred and thirty-four freshmen entered Swarthmore College this fall, 126 men and 108 women. Of the men sixty-five received their secondary schooling in public schools, fifty-seven in independent schools and four came from foreign countries. Fifty-nine women entered from public schools and forty-nine from independent schools. Of the forty-nine, four came from foreign countries.

Thirty-one states and five foreign countries are represented, six in the Middle Atlantic Group, four from New England, eight in the Middle West, three in the Far West, and ten in the South. Foreign countries represented are England, Mexico, Nigeria Brazil and Japan.

The women scholarship winners are: White Open Scholarships—Gloria Chomiak, Alberta, Canada; Sara Andrews, Canastota, New York and Lisa Steiner, New York. One of the above won the "Voice of Democracy" contest last year, another was one of the finalists in the Westinghouse "Search for Talent Contest." The Alumnae Scholarship is held by Elizabeth Soyars, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, who is the daughter of William O. Soyars '14. Frances Leland, Evanston, Illinois won the Chi Omega Scholarship and Mary Freeman, Washington, D. C. the Kappa Alpha Theta Scholarship.

The men scholarship winners are: White Open Scholarships—Michael Ira Freilich, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Eric Gillett, Hudson, Ohio; John S. Hathcock, Jr., American Zone, Germany; Saul Sternberg, New York City and Peter Van Pelt, Worthington, Ohio. One of the above is also a finalist in the Westinghouse Contest. The Baker Scholarships are held by Clement A. E. Hastie, Takoma Park, Md.; Frank S. Irish, Wellesley, Mass.; John H. Jacobson, Jr., New Paltz, N. Y.; Richard H. Morrow, Arlington Heights, Ill.; and Frank A. Oski, Philadelphia. Robert Raymond Weiss, Philadelphia holds the Serrill Scholarship and Orville R. Wright, Jr., son of Orville Wright '30 is the holder of the T. H. Dudley Perkins Scholarship.

Children of Alumni in the Class are:

Shirley Bliss, *Ernest M. Bliss* '22; Bonnie Brown, *Janet Young* '21 and *Boyd J. Brown* '21; Marjorie Gatchell, *Earle Gatchell* '14; Edith Hay, *Alice Casey* '30 and *George A. Hay* '28; Frances Lemke, *Frank H. Lemke* '22; Sara Jane Richards, *Lily Tily* '29 and *Peirce L. Richards* '27; Helene Smith, *John C. Smith* '22; Elizabeth Soyars, *William O. Soyars* '14; Marlee Turner, *Virginia Melick* '27 and *H. Chandlee Turner, Jr.* '23; Jeannetta White, *Miriam Nickel* '31 and *Josiah White, IV* '29; Mary White, *John J. White, Jr.* '21; Dorothy Young, *Dorothy Troy Young* '26; Jared L. Darlington, *Marie Bender* '14 (*deceased*) and *Charles J. Darlington* '15; David S. Dennison, *David M. Dennison* '21; William R. Ferrell, *Agnes Gowing Ferrell* '25; Christopher M. Kennedy, *Louise Merritt Kennedy* '26; Charles L. Loucks, *Mary Swisher Loucks* '15; Charles J. Mears, *Katherine Reed Mears* '27 and *Charles E. Mears* '28; Albert W. Metcalfe, *Anna R. Williams* '27 and *Orrick Metcalfe* '26; Orville Wright, Jr., *Orville Wright* '30.

Transfer Students

Twenty-two men and ten women entered college with advanced standing. Of these one man and one woman are children of alumni—Gloria Swope is the daughter of John H. Swope '26 and Stephen S. Wolff's father, Nigel Wolff was a Special student. Three of the male transfers come from Austria, Germany, and Indonesia.

BOOKS

GODDARD'S LAST WORK

The late Dr. Goddard's *magnum opus*, *The Meaning of Shakespeare*, is being prepared for publication by the University of Chicago Press. We are informed the book will be available in April of next year. Those who have studied under Dr. Goddard and those who have known him just as a friend will expect this book to be a combination of scholarship and deep human appreciation, and they will not be disappointed.

The traditional attitude of Shakespearean scholarship has been, and still is, that while Shakespeare no doubt had his personal convictions, we cannot tell what they were. It has been said that it is impossible for us to know what the greatest genius who wrote in the English language thought of good and evil, of God and the devil, of love and hate, and the other great issues that have beset mankind since the dawn of history.

Dr. Goddard believes this position to be false. His book states that there cannot be the slightest doubt about the meaning of Shakespeare. He analyzes each of Shakespeare's plays in the light of all the others and in the light of the sonnets and longer poems. And from this analysis emerges Shakespeare's world view, his carefully worked out system of values, his deepest convictions on the great problems of human life, his message to his own and all ages.

The publishers are offering a special pre-publication price to the students and friends of Dr. Goddard and to other Swarthmore alumni. Inquiries should be addressed to: Mr. Paul Corbett, The University of Chicago Press, 5750 Ellis Avenue, Chicago 37, Ill.

NEW REFERENCE WORK

Amos J. Peaslee '07 is the compiler of a remarkable new, three-volume reference work entitled *Constitutions of Nations* (Rumford Press, Concord, N. H.). For an estimate of this huge work, the *Garnet Letter* turned to J. Roland Pennock '27, chairman of the Department of Political Science.

Mr. Pennock writes: "Thanks to Amos Peaslee, students and statesmen all over the world have been provided with the most complete, as well as the most up-to-date compendium of

constitutions available in any language. Here they are, from Afghanistan to Yugoslavia, the complete texts of the constitutions or other fundamental instruments for 82 political entities.

"They range in length from four pages for Andorra to 69 pages for Cuba and 74 for the present draft constitution of India. In addition to the full text, there is provided for each constitution a summary according to the following headings: international status; form of national government; source of sovereign power; rights of the people; legislative department; executive department; judicial department; area and population. The third volume contains a series of comparative tables—one for each of these headings—which greatly enhances the value of this work.

"These volumes bear evidence on every page of thorough and painstaking editing. It may be safely predicted that they will constitute the standard reference work of their kind for many years to come."

LEWIS WRITES OF GRANT

Captain Sam Grant, by the late Lloyd Lewis '13, appeared late in May and received a considerable critical accolade. Mr. Lewis had written one of a proposed three volumes on Grant before his death; the 1950 publication by Little, Brown & Co. comprises this completed volume, and an effort is being made to produce the other two from the voluminous notes left by Lewis on his hero.

Lewis Gannett of the *New York Herald Tribune*, reviewing *Captain Sam Grant*, wrote "I've read a lot of biographies of Grant, but never a book in which the man Grant seemed to walk and breathe and move in such three-dimensional color. As you read you understand why Lloyd Lewis wrote in one of his letters that there was no mystery about Grant. 'The whipping of the Secessionists was simply a thing that interested him . . . where he was interested, there he could excel.'

"That was true of Lloyd Lewis, too. And he was interested in Grant."

ALSO BY ALUMNI

Elliot R. Alexander '41, *Principles of Ionic Organic Reactions*. A text-

SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Sat., Oct. 7—Washington College . . .	Away
Sat., Oct. 14—Wagner College . . .	Home
Sat., Oct. 21—Ursinus . . .	Away
Sat., Oct. 28—Franklin and Marshall . . .	Home
Sat., Nov. 4—Johns Hopkins . . .	Away
Sat., Nov. 11—*Drexel . . .	Home
Sat., Nov. 18—Haverford . . .	Away
Captain: Robert C. Forrey	
Manager: Wm. Saul	
Head Coach: Lewis H. Elverson	
Assistant Coaches:	
Paul Stofko and Avery F. Blake	
Faculty Representative: Paul N. Ylvisaker	

SOCCER

Sat., Oct. 7—Alumni . . .	Home
Wed., Oct. 11—Princeton . . .	Home
Sat., Oct. 14—Lafayette . . .	Home
Wed., Oct. 18—Pennsylvania . . .	Away
Sat., Oct. 21—Muhlenberg . . .	Away
Sat., Oct. 28—Ursinus . . .	Home
Fri., Nov. 3—Lehigh . . .	Away
Wed., Nov. 8—Navy . . .	Away
Sat., Nov. 11—*Ex-Captains . . .	Home
Fri., Nov. 17—Haverford . . .	Home
Captain: Ali AlYasir	
Manager: Clinton G. Shafer	
Head Coach: Robert H. Dunn	
Faculty Representative:	
Launce J. Flemister, Jr.	

CROSS COUNTRY

Sat., Oct. 14—Lafayette . . .	Home
Sat., Oct. 21—Delaware . . .	Away
Sat., Oct. 28—Franklin and Marshall . . .	Home
Wed., Nov. 1—Lehigh . . .	Away
Sat., Nov. 4—Johns Hopkins . . .	Away
Fri., Nov. 10—MASCAC . . .	Away
Thurs., Nov. 16—Haverford . . .	Home
Captain: Ralph Cheyney	
Manager: Stokes Gentry	
Head Coach: James H. Miller	
Faculty Representative: Dennison Bancroft	

* Homecoming Day.

book on a special phase of organic chemistry.

Anna Pettit Broomell '07, *What Do You Think?* An anthology of folk tales of ancient India, edited for American students in grades 6-10.

Holley Cantine ex-'38, *Prison Etiquette* (with Dachine Rainer). A compilation of writings by conscientious objectors imprisoned during the last war.

John W. Seybold '36, *The Philadelphia Printing Industry*. A survey by a former member of the Swarthmore Department of Economics.

SWARTHMORE CLUB OF PHILADELPHIA

Tuesday luncheon meetings for the Swarthmore Club of Philadelphia have been arranged for the following dates: October 17 (speaker, Byron Saam, noted sportscaster), November 14 (week of the Haverford game), January 16, February 20 and April 17.

The annual banquet has been scheduled for Saturday, March 3, the night of the college's only home basketball game with Haverford. The dinner will be served in the college dining hall.

As in previous years, the Tuesday luncheons will be held at the University Club of Philadelphia at 12:15 p. m.

The club will have these officers for 1950-51:

President:

Edward L. Noyes '31
23 S. Chester Rd.
Swarthmore, Pa.

Vice-President:

Ellis B. Ridgway, Jr. '34
Corn Exchange Bank
Philadelphia, Pa.

Secretary:

Richard A. Enion '41
241 Haverford Ave.
Swarthmore, Pa.

Treasurer:

Robert H. Wilson '31
603 Harvard Ave.
Swarthmore, Pa.

Assistant Treasurer:

Carl C. Colket '38
8 Westwood Park Drive
Manoa, Havertown, Pa.

TEAS FOR FRESHMEN WOMEN

Somerville teas for the women of the class of 1954 were held in four eastern cities this year. In New York City Elizabeth Jones Barnard '20 and Jane Totah '50 were in charge of the largest of these affairs, held Friday, September 15, in the rooms of the American Women's Association at the Hotel Barclay.

A Philadelphia tea, under the direction of Esther Ridpath Delaplaine '44, was held at the home of Barbara Briggs Winde '31, in Swarthmore. Martha Wood Christian '31 organized a tea for Boston area women at her Framingham home. A Washington tea was staged by undergraduates living in that area.

Swarthmore in a Changing World

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extent to which the material standard of living has been raised and human drudgery eliminated by mechanization. Technological advances have afforded us almost unlimited opportunities similar to those afforded earlier generations by westward expansion.

Our interests were focused primarily on domestic problems. That preoccupation was shattered by the outbreak of World War I while we were in college. None of us could foresee how this event would affect our lives and the destiny of our nation.

You are all familiar with the much quoted remark of Lord Morley's that the most important thing to know about a man is the year of his birth. I think it could be paraphrased to read that the most revealing fact to know about a man is the period of his education.

In retrospect, the Swarthmore of 1911-15 was a friendly, kindly place in which the family spirit permeated the relationships of students, faculty, and everyone connected with the college. The scholarship requirements seemed adequate then. I admit now they were not too exacting. We had ample time for social and athletic pursuits as well as other extracurricular activities. We made good use of that spare time! Our social and recreational activities were confined largely to the campus, and there were few outside diversions. There were no convenient movie theaters, and transportation was limited to the railroad or the short line, except in the rare instances of an automobile.

From Swain to Aydelotte

All sorts of extracurricular activities flourished. They included such robust diversions as the Monks and Devils, the annual Keg Rush, Sophomore-Freshmen fights, hazing activities, and the water fights in Wharton. On the more cultural side, there were the Dean's teas, sorority parties, Maypole dances, and Greek plays.

We were in the beginning of a transition stage in athletics. When I entered college, many of our football players were receiving alumni assistance or given college aid under some guise. That did not seem to bother the consciences of colleges generally in those days, except in a minority of instances, because winning football teams were considered necessary to the public relations program of colleges and to the preservation of student morale. I mention the athletic side because it constituted the woof if not the warp of college life at that time.

I think it can be said without emotional bias that during our period, Swarthmore was a charming, delightfully social and friendly place to spend four years. The moral standards of personal conduct, due to the religious influence of the Friends, were exceptionally high. The college romances that blossomed into marriages, then as now, hold an unusual record for happiness. Probably no other characteristic of Swarthmore is more significant.

There was a close and excellent relationship between the students and faculty, and to us the faculty heads were giants of intellectual power and standing. Perhaps I am prejudiced in saying that men like Mil-

ler, Trotter, Alleman, Goddard, Blessing, Brooks, Hoadley, Hull, Robinson, Dennison, Marriot, and women like Miss Bronk and many others, could not, as a team, be surpassed in any other small college of our time. I will never forget the friendliness and inspiration of these people. They are my unsung heroes and they, rather than any other single remembrance of Swarthmore, epitomize my love and devotion to this great institution.

Since being graduated from Swarthmore, I have made my home near the college and I have had the rare privilege of close association with the Board of Managers, the faculty, and the students. I have observed at first hand the changes which have taken place in the student body, in the curriculum, in the faculty, and in the physical environment. I have seen the pendulum swing from one extreme of leadership to another—from the leadership of Joseph Swain to that of Frank Aydelotte. Quite naturally, the contrast between these two types of leadership created controversies. I have always been a prejudiced supporter of the Swain regime, because it touched me in the most formative years of my life. Upon Dr. Swain's retirement, the Board of Managers after exhaustive search selected Dr. Aydelotte as the most outstanding man in the country to lead Swarthmore along a new road in the field of education. With the coming of Dr. Aydelotte, almost overnight Swarthmore became a pioneer in modern methods of education. In amazingly few years it rose to the top rank, academically, among the colleges in this country.

Experiment and Afterward

The transition from a small, cloistered, parochial, and easy-going college to a modern center of study and culture was so swift that it left many of the alumni bewildered and gasping for breath. In short order this little Quaker institution was headlined and dramatized as one of the most interesting educational institutions in the land. Other colleges began earnestly to study its experimental ventures. Credit must be given to the Quaker overseers for supporting this departure which they could not immediately evaluate or explain. They believed in Frank Aydelotte and gave him practically a free hand to inaugurate and carry out his program.

It was not until almost ten years, or about to the midpoint of the Aydelotte regime, that the friends and alumni of the college really understood the program. The succeeding years I like to think of as the beginning of an era of goodwill, a period characterized by increasing alumni appreciation and support. When Dr. Aydelotte resigned after twenty years of vigorous leadership, he took with him the appreciative gratitude of the Board of Managers and of the college for his outstanding contributions.

The present administration, under the wise leadership of John Nason, has preserved the best of the Aydelotte regime and at the same time has allowed the pendulum to swing a little more toward center by a renewed emphasis on some of the best tradi-

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tions from the Swain regime. Dr. Nason has added many new and desirable innovations which have been received with acclaim by the friends and supporters of the college. Many elements enter into the present well-balanced program. There is emphasis on a strong faculty, on an admissions program that has for its objective a well selected student body, on cultivation of student-faculty and alumni-college relationships, and on adequate provision for vocational guidance—all looking toward a well-rounded, liberal education and spiritual development amid the beautiful surroundings we see all about us.

Under the present regime there has also been particular stress on the opportunities and responsibilities for public service. Many members of the present faculty have distinguished themselves in Government. I was never more proud of Swarthmore than in the early days of the war when this Quaker institution, in spite of its traditional stand against war, offered all of its facilities voluntarily to our government in time of need. John Nason's announcement of this decision electrified the alumni at our annual dinner in Philadelphia. It was so dramatic and thrilling that he was applauded and cheered for several minutes.

A Better World

As of today, Swarthmore's educational program is stronger than ever. The college is in the vanguard of our country's progressive educational institutions. Our alumni support, as evidenced by the annual gifts program, is gratifyingly strong. The size and quality of our faculty compares favorably with any institution of its size. I can testify from many personal contacts in my home with present members of the student body that it is one of the best in the history of the college. The beauty of this campus is acclaimed not only by the students, faculty, and alumni, but by the ever-increasing number of visitors who make pilgrimages here to see the arboretum and other places of interest. As alumni coming back today to this spot so close to our hearts, we have every reason to be confident that Swarthmore can meet the challenge of the emerging future.

In this crucial period of the world, neither delightful conformity to a set pattern nor distinguished intellectualism for its own sake can save us from the catastrophe which threatens us. The weakness of such conformity is that it is a static thing which neither pioneers nor achieves new heights. The danger of strict intellectualism is that it may breed a form of social isolation from a world filled with the very practical problems of millions of ordinary human beings. These problems in their broad aspects are economic, social, political and emotional with intensely human implications. In a deeper sense than most of us realize, or are willing to acknowledge, there are moral problems. Now, morality must not be confused with sanctimony. Rather, it is a code of conduct which should guide all human affairs.

Swarthmore is richly endowed with these physical, social, intellectual and moral attributes which may serve to make it the most

dynamic institution of higher learning in America. A college does not become dynamic through sheer force of numbers. Rather, it becomes dynamic because of the philosophy of those who guide it. We must prepare our young people to go forth into this confusing world with humbleness of spirit, openness of mind, and intense desire to make the world a better place than they found it.

You will forgive me if the following quotation has the earmarks of preaching. But I give you these words because I believe them with all my heart: "Said the cynic, 'I could have made a better world than this.' To which the sage replied, 'That is why God put you here. Go do it.'"

If, as I suggested earlier, one of the most revealing facts to know about a man is the period in which he received his formative training, then surely those who have been in Swarthmore during the past few years have a unique background of training and experience. Consider that the vast majority of our recent men students have had from one to three years of military life before coming here—a life full of responsibilities which took many of them to the corners of the world and through a series of maturing and broadening experiences. We all have had contact with these young people. Their knowledge and perception of world affairs and world problems is astounding. They combine idealism with impatience for soft thinking. Their educational experience at Swarthmore has been added to their other qualifications. Do not underestimate for a moment their potential. It is impossible to predict the extent of the contribution they will make by the time they have reached the average age of our group here today.

Brains and Government

They will revitalize for us, I am confident, one of the essential traditions of the American heritage, namely, a love of adventure and opportunity and a willingness to incur risk in the pursuit of great aims. Part of the worldwide trend toward dependence on government instead of individual initiative has its roots in a philosophy of security. Our young people today know from their own experience that overemphasis on security is a false goal. There is no safe haven, no bomb shelter, that can protect the individual from the major hazards that are sweeping the world today. The only path to survival lies in facing our difficulties and dealing with them. This was the path our forefathers took when they carved out of the wilderness a civilization dedicated to freedom and liberty. This is the path our youth have followed to preserve and defend those freedoms. We need have little fear that they will try to escape their responsibilities by seeking security through isolationism.

It is our problem to preserve for tomorrow's students as much as we can of this flavor of world-consciousness that they have contributed to campus life. The great unsolved problem of our country is its role in world affairs. The faculty and administration will bear the brunt of this task, but we of the alumni will have to make it possible

to secure and hold a faculty of the requisite quality.

I have lived for the greater part of the past ten years in the midst of the Washington scene where it is alleged that sound travels faster than light. I have watched hundreds of men of all types come and go in the supreme effort to solve the problems of the moment. During the war period miracles were performed by bringing together the best brains and ability of the country in a united effort to attain victory. Brains and ability are just as vitally needed today to achieve and consolidate the peace. Almost overnight we have been thrust into the position of world leadership. We are still handicapped by lack of experience and by the long tradition of isolationism bred into us for generations. The fear of European involvements was expressed in Washington's Farewell Message, in the Monroe Doctrine, and in our failure to join the League of Nations. With such a heritage, we now face the most complex problems—world problems with which men of bigotry and little minds are totally unable to cope. Domestically we must maintain an economy strong enough to meet our new obligations and to withstand the global trend toward totalitarianism and socialism. This trend, if allowed to become rooted here, would destroy our liberties, suppress free enterprise, and strike at the heart of our American way of life. Just as we met the challenge of the war by commandeering the best of our brains and ability, we must again utilize our best in a united effort to meet the truly momentous problems which face us at home and abroad. We must not allow the worn out shibboleths of petty politicians to color our decisions. The times demand courageous leadership and statesmanship of the highest quality in government, in business, as well as in education.

After the war, the departments of Government were depleted by the rapid exodus of scores of our ablest men returning to their normal pursuits. No one then envisioned the reality of a cold war, the huge volume of expenditures required on our part to restore the ravaged economies of Western Europe, or the resultant dangers of inflation at home. We have faced a series of major crises which we have been ill-equipped to meet. In spite of urgent calls to men of training and experience to take up again positions of responsibility in Government, all too few have been willing to respond.

If I read the times aright, this era of emergency will not soon end. If Swarthmore is to fulfill its role it must give positive encouragement to its graduates to participate warmly, actively, and intelligently in the Nation's service.

This is not a new aspiration. It is one to which we have long been dedicated. We have only to look at the inscription on Clothier. How truly prophetic was Woodrow Wilson, and how felicitous the choice of the message to keep ever before our eyes:

"You are here to enrich the world, and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand."

REPORT ON ALUMNI MEETINGS

by Jack B. Thompson '27

President, Alumni Association

The 1950-51 annual alumni fund quota, and the eligibility of alumni-nominated members of the board of managers to a successive term of four years, were discussions which highlighted the June meetings of the Swarthmore College Alumni Council and the Alumni Association.



Jack Thompson

With the four officers and 21 elected members of council present, plus the president of the Swarthmore corporation, Howard Cooper Johnson; President John W. Nason; retiring vice-president, James A. Perkins; newly-appointed vice-president, Joseph B. Shane, and four alumni-nominated members of the board of managers attending, the meeting of alumni council, Friday, June 9, in the managers' room at Clothier was the largest meeting of alumni council ever held for discussion of alumni-college problems.

Alumni Managers

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association, of which all alumni and former students are members, drew more than 100 persons to the Meeting House, Saturday, June 10, at noon.

Eleanor Stabler Clarke, secretary of the board of managers, moved that consideration be given to changing the by-laws of the association so that alumni-nominated members of the board could be reelected for a successive four-year term. Mrs. Clarke's motion was seconded by Josephine Wilson '15.

Howard Cooper Johnson, president of the corporation, endorsed the Clarke motion, pointing out that it is a distinct loss to the board when the four-year term of a valuable alumni-nominated member ends, and that member must step down.

Raymond K. Denworth, himself an alumni-nominated member of the board, said the provision restricting

alumni-nominated members to one four-year term on the board serves to bring more members of the alumni into work of the board.

"With only eight out of 8600 alumni involved at one time, there are many new talents available," Denworth said, in opposition to having restrictions lifted on the four-year term for alumni-nominated members of the board.

Following a discussion from the floor, members of the association attending the annual meeting voted against considering an amendment to the by-laws to permit a successive term for alumni-nominated members.

Fund Quota

The administration's request for a \$90,000 alumni quota in 1950-51 was presented to council by Ned Williams '34 who said that the executive committee of council, of which he is a member, felt the sum justifiable in view of the fact that the college is reducing its enrollment, with a loss of \$50,000 in income.

President Nason enlarged on the need the college has for \$90,000 from the alumni in 1950-51, and retiring vice-president Jim Perkins urged the increased goal. Frank Jackson '23, Lewis Robbins '40, Virginia Melick Turner '27, Jack B. Thompson '27, who surrendered the chair to Vice-President Martha W. Bittle '13, to participate in the discussion, and Ellis Bishop '28, questioned the advisability of raising the quota, although Bishop admitted that the \$90,000 appeared necessary.

The \$90,000 quota was approved by a vote of the members of alumni council, following the discussion.

Shane and Cratsley

Raymond Denworth '11, presented the report of the committee for selecting an alumni secretary, leading to the selection of Joseph B. Shane '25 as vice-president of the college in charge of alumni affairs and public relations and Edward Cratsley, comptroller of St. Lawrence University, as vice-president in charge of internal finance.

President Nason spoke with enthusiasm about the addition of both Shane and Cratsley to the college staff, and cited the fact that nine of the 12 per-

sons on the selection committee were alumni of Swarthmore College.

Robin Breuninger Lukens '22 reported for the Nominating Committee, of which she is co-chairman with Richard C. Bond '31. All eight places assigned to alumni nominees on the board of managers have been filled, and this committee selects candidates for the vacancies, along with selecting candidates for officers and members of the Alumni Council and Association. William L. Cornog '19; Anne Philips Blake '28, William A. Boone '30, and Grace Biddle Schembs '34, are members of the Nominating Committee.

Reporting for Norman Shidle '17, chairman of the Vocational Committee of the Alumni Association, Ken Allebach said active assistance had been given to new graduates seeking employment. Members of this committee are Isabel Logan Lyon '42, Ruth Henderson McDowell '36, Peg Newell '45, and Leon Rushmore, Jr. '31. Martha W. Bittle '13 reported on Somerville Day and a resolution of thanks was voted to Isaac Darlington '07 for his work in heading the annual alumni fund campaigns, and to Kenneth Allebach for his work as acting alumni secretary.

Procedure Questioned

President Nason questioned the procedure used in nominating three alumni for vacancies on the board, and having one eliminated by the council before submitting two for general balloting by alumni. The question is to be discussed by the executive committee of the council and a report made to the full council and association.

The following members were present for the June 9 Alumni Council meeting: Zone I: Ned B. Williams '34, Frank H. Jackson '23, William F. Lee '33, Robin Breuninger Lukens '22, Edith Jackson Walter '33, Esther Ridpath Delaplaine '44, Julia Young Murray '17, Anna Roberts Brosius '23, Nancy Deane Passmore '30; Zone II: William A. Boone '30, William R. Cisney '22, Ellis G. Bishop '28, Gertrude Bowers Burdsall '28, Virginia Melick Turner '27; Zone III: Henry Lloyd Pike '33, and Edna Shoemaker Mallen '28; Zone IV: Elizabeth Clack McCaul '29.

HOMECOMING DAY

November 11th, 1950

Program

- 9 a.m. - 12 noon ENGINEERS' OPEN HOUSE
(Also Friday evening, November 10th, 7-10 p.m.)
Engineering Alumni can make their Homecoming visit complete by attending the Engineers' Open House on Friday evening and Saturday morning, November 10th and 11th. Exhibits in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering featuring new developments, will be open to the public.
- 11:00 a.m. SOCCER GAME
Varsity vs. former Swarthmore Soccer Captains.
- 12:45 p.m. LUNCHEON FOR SOCCER CAPTAINS
- 2:00 p.m. FOOTBALL GAME
Swarthmore vs. Drexel
- 4:00 p.m. ALUMNI TEA in Bond Memorial
- 6:30 p.m. DINNER IN COLLEGE DINING ROOM
Although no special dinner is planned you are cordially invited to eat in the college dining room. Time: 6:30 to 7:00. Cost 90c. If you plan to eat here, please make reservations through the Alumni Office.
- 7:45 p.m. HAMBURG SHOW (Also Friday evening, November 10th).
For the convenience of the Alumni, the Hamburg Show is given this year on Homecoming Day, a week prior to the Haverford game. Tickets available at the door.
- 9:00 p.m. ALUMNI DANCE in Parrish



Swarthmore - Haverford Football Game

Saturday, November 18, 1950

2:00 p.m. at Haverford

Ticket information: \$2.40 including tax. Tickets may be obtained by sending order, accompanied by check and self-addressed stamped envelope to the Athletic Office, Swarthmore College. Checks should be made payable to Swarthmore College. There will be a limited reserved section.