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## Progress of the Biography

Several weeks have passed since the appeal for subscriptions for the L. L. Nunn biography went out with the last issue of the News Letter. The response has been so pitifully feeble that the committee is confident that this is due to a misunderstanding on the part of members and friends. Still, it is difficult to see how anyone could misconstrue the italicized sentence, "No steps will be taken toward printing the book until at least three-quarters of the estimated cost of publication has been contributed." The committee has no authorization from the Convention to spend any more money than that which is actually subscribed by individuals. This means virtually that those who fail to respond now will be in danger of going without a copy. Undoubtedly many members and friends who fully intend eventually to purchase a copy of the biography are waiting until it comes off the press. It must be made clear that if this is the general attitude the book will never even approach the press.

Moreover, the quality of the job will depend very largely on the committee's bank account when the printing begins. Several tentative estimates have been received from various printers, the average being about five hundred dollars for a minimum number of copies. This means that about one hundred and fifty people must be behind the project to the extent of sending in their checks before the committee can proceed with any assurance of ultimate solvency. Only then can the printing of the book be accomplished with a quality befitting the dignity of its subject. The committee will insist on a definite standard of excellence. Rather than sacrifice this it will refuse to act, in case sufficient subscriptions are not forthcoming.

It is rather interesting to notice the type of response which has been received to date. Men in the two centers of the educational work which L. L. labored so hard to establish, namely Deep Springs and Telluride House, have subscribed almost un-animously. Many subscriptions have been received from members of the older group, men who actually knew Mr. Nunn. At the same time the more recent active members of the Association have been very slow to lend their support. The committee wishes to draw no general conclusions from this strange phenomenon. We would be the last to print the names of those who had co-operated with us and to decry those who had not reached into their pockets for the necessary \$3.50. We can only hope that all misunderstanding as to our peculiar and precarious position has been cleared

up, and that the inflow of subscriptions will soon enable us to proceed with the more pleasant task of printing a manuscript which has so long awaited our attention.

It might not be amiss to recall that two successive Conventions of Telluride Association appropriated the ample sum of two thousand dollars for the publishing of the biography, when it was to be done under the auspices of the Yale Press. It would indeed be strange, however, if we were unable by individual subscription, to raise one quarter of that amount for a much less pretentious, but none the less satisfactory job.

We appeal, then, for your co-operation, not because we are attempting to 'sell' the biography, but because we are naturally anxious to see it printed. Send in your check to Elmer Johnson immediately. Help us further by spreading around the good word among all those who may be interested—former Deep Springs students; friends of Mr. Nunn; members, alumni, and friends of Telluride Association.

MORGAN SIBBETT,

Chairman.

## Donald Matson

October 31, 1932.

Dear Editor:

Since there has been a good deal of discussion, not to say controversy, over Deep Springs and especially over Deep Springs' finances and their management, possibly a few words regarding the steps taken in this line so far this year will be acceptable news.

The problem faced here is simply that of cutting expenditures more than in half in order to stay within the present income. This Deep Springs is making an heroic attempt to accomplish. During the summer and with the beginning of our fiscal year, September 1st, several changes were made in the system of bookkeeping to facilitate a more efficient administration of the finances and to enable us to know better where the heavy costs are occurring.

In the first place an inventory was taken of certain classes of property which were then incorporated in the books as a series of stores accounts. Stores are now bought into these accounts and transferred from them to the various departments as needed. The inventory is kept up to date by periodical count. Certain other modifications have been made in the accounts to make the system correspond to what is known in bookkeeping as an invoice system.

Of particular importance are the changes inaugurated in regard to

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## Books for Deep Springs

The informal plan of study being followed at Deep Springs this year has placed greater demands upon the library. Books of many types are urgently needed for immediate use, and the Deep Springs budget allows no expenditure for this purpose. In a letter to Chancellor Johnson, Dean Crawford appeals to members, alumni, and friends of the Association for assistance in supplying these books:

"The Trustees have approved the plan of our making out a list of books and trying to get our friends and alumni to contribute from their abundance. So I have made out a list and a 'preferred list'—meaning the things we NEED NOW,—but we need the whole list. Anyway, will you publish in the News Letter our list as coming from the School, Director, Librarian, and Dean, as well as students—and at the suggestion of the Trustees—and secure what you can. Don't fear duplicates; it never hurts a library to have more than one copy of a book. In fact, we are feeling the pinch of only one anthropology just now, for Dr. Steward is here and needs more."

Below are listed the books immediately needed. Future issues of the News Letter will contain lists of other books desired, but not so urgently needed.

- Ogburn—Social Change.
- Adler—Understanding Human Nature.
- Bogardus—Contemporary Sociology.
- Bogardus—Introduction to Sociology.
- Ward—Pure Sociology.
- Rauschenbusch—Christianity and the Social Crisis.
- Giddings—The Principles of Sociology.
- Silver—Religion in a Changing World.
- Pinney (Ross L.)—Causes and Cures for the Social Unrest.
- Murray (John)—The Tribe and Inter-tribal Relations in Australia.
- Wilder—Man's Pre-historic Past.
- Thomas (William I.)—Source Book for Social Origins.
- Small—General Sociology.
- Giddings—Studies in the Theory of Human Society.
- Park & Burgess—An Introductory study to the Science of Sociology.
- Ryan (John A.)—A Living Wage.
- Jarret—Mediaeval Socialism.
- Hussein—Evolution and Social Progress.
- Garriguet—The Social Value of the Gospel.
- Munthe (Axel)—The Story of San Michele.
- Jeans (James)—The Stars in their Courses.
- Euripides & Aeschylus—Oedipus and other Greek Tragedies.
- Williams (E. T.)—China Yesterday

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## What To Expect

(A speech delivered before Cornell Branch by Charles M. Gilbert)

Gentlemen: I would like to express tonight, in the most general terms, what I believe we may expect from a Telluride man.

A few days ago at the dinner table, Mr. Johnson told some of us that an acquaintance of his had said that no Rhodes scholar ever amounted to anything. As a sort of answer to this general condemnation, Mr. Johnson remarked, "But why should we expect every Rhodes scholar to be the first man in his field?" Well, why should we?

This leads me to a consideration of a statement which is often heard among the members of our Association. The statement is this: Look at those men who have had Telluride training: try to find anything outstanding which has been accomplished by any one of them. And from this we are led to believe that until the present time, at least, Telluride Association has failed in its purpose. The aspect of this statement which interests me tonight is simply this: It suggests that some of us believe that if Telluride Association is to succeed, it must develop publicly famous men, men whose accomplishments can be seen by everyone. Such an attitude, I believe, is faulty. I am sure that none of you expect that from among our numbers there will be developed an abundance of Presidents or Einsteins. But do you believe that our organization will be a failure if such men are not developed? A great deal can be done in a quiet sort of way. This was strongly impressed on me this summer when I had the opportunity of associating intimately with a man who represents to me a type of person which we should be glad to have among our members. I wonder how many of you had ever heard of Dr. Paul Bartsch until you had visited in Washington or heard me speak of him here. I doubt that any of you ever had. Dr. Bartsch is not the leading light in his field; he does not stand out head and shoulders above all the others working in his chosen line of endeavor. Still he is a great scientist; he does do more actual work than almost any man I know. But Dr. Bartsch does not confine himself to his special field; he goes beyond that, and I have rarely met a man who lends so much to the company of his associates. Everyone who knows him well loves him, and he adds a

great deal to the lives of all of those. I can assure you that among his circle of friends, his has been a life of very great accomplishment and service.

We can never really measure the success of Telluride Association by measuring the accomplishments of its individual members. There are and will be many of those accomplishments which we shall never see; and we shall never know the effect of many which we do see.

There is an element of faith in our organization. It enters in when we elect our members. If we elect them sincerely and with a clear conscience, we must necessarily place a certain amount of faith in what they will attempt to accomplish and in what they will accomplish. This very faith which we put in them gives to them a sort of intangible responsibility to make the most of their lives. Are we to drop this faith at the moment when these members become alumni? We must not do it. We must realize that much can be done in this world by men who are not publicly famous. Well may we hope that many of our members will attain such fame, and particularly if they will make the best use of their prestige. But we must realize that a great deal is done and that a great deal can be done in this world which we shall never see and of which we shall never hear.

## Bob Cavanaugh

1300 York Ave.  
New York, N. Y.  
Nov. 6, 1932.

Dear Editor,

Thanks for the first edition. It was most informative, and went a long way to assure me that the News Letter would still be published even if it should require being financed by individuals rather than by Telluride Endowment.

One of the "News Letter ideas" I've had on my pad is the suggestion that letters published should include at least part of the letter head. The date and place are frequently of great significance to the meaning of the letter; their omission has sometimes left me wondering, for instance, where "Bill" is when he writes: "Work here is progressing this year."

During the three days' leave granted me to attend convention from R. O. T. C. camp last June, I especially noticed one aspect brought out at the convention: it was the unity of the Association. The situation facing us severely threatened the "soup kitchen" attitude so prone to creep into Association meetings. By reason of our reduced income, the amount of assistance to be had by each member from Association funds was greatly reduced. Therefore, by drastic retrenchments each reduced his needs to a minimum, to allow more of the Association funds to be distributed to others. The net result was the most "associational" spirit I've yet seen: by helping each other we helped ourselves, and bound the Association more firmly together than

ever. My hope is that the same helpful attitude of working together for the ends expressed in our preamble can pervade all the work we do this year. There's a chance for fine achievement that way.

Jim Mansfield seems to have caught the idea. He's helped me along quite a bit by showing me papers, patients, and problems, connected with his interne work in New York Hospital, which, as you know, is now very closely associated with Cornell Medical School, where I pass my time. I've also been in touch with Jack Laylin and Julius Brauner of the New York Telluriders.

Cordial greeting to "the Gang."  
BOB CAVENAUGH

## Utah Alumni

October 12, 1932.

Dear Sir:

Last evening we held the 9th Annual Dinner of the Utah Chapter of Telluride Association Alumni and had a very splendid time. Those attending were Paul P. Ashworth, George Beebe, W. L. Biersach, Leo Brandenburger, A. T. Buckler, O. R. Clark, S. B. Dunlop, L. J. Edwards, Lee J. Farrer, L. B. Fuller, B. E. Gordon, W. J. McMinn, W. D. McClellan, John E. Vincent, H. R. Waldo, H. B. Waters, C. A. Wolfrom, and A. O. Whitmore. The attached program give the business that was carried on at this meeting. The new officers elected were: W. D. McClellan, Preston, Idaho, as President. John E. Rowe, Eureka, Utah, as First Vice-President. L. J. Farrer, Salt Lake, as Second Vice-President. J. A. Boshard, Richfield, Utah, as Third Vice-President. Paul P. Ashworth, Salt Lake, Permanent Secretary and Treasurer.

There was a good discussion of matters relating to the welfare of Deep Springs and of the Alumni Association particularly the matter of the L. L. Nunn Memorial Fund into which all alumni dues are placed.

A telegram was dispatched to Mr. P. N. Nunn expressing the good wishes and felicitations of the Utah group and in turn the group received a wire from Mr. Nunn sending his greetings and best wishes.

Altogether the affair was very enjoyable, and we consider it a rare treat for everybody to get together. The Utah group send its greetings to all Telluride men.

May I add, also, my my personal regards and best wishes for you.

Sincerely,  
PAUL P. ASHWORTH.

(The attached program listed a presidential address by A. O. Whitmore, a report of the Committee on Paul P. Ashworth, a report on convention finances by W. L. Biersach, a Co-operation with the Chancellor by report on Deep Springs by H. R. Waldo, organization matter, and informal talks on "What Holds Us Together and Is It Worth While?")

## Cornell Branch Notes

Despite the straitened finances of the Branch this year, the entertainment of guests has not suffered, and we have been able to welcome many varied and interesting men. We have enjoyed, especially, the return of many former guests and the visits of Telluride relations.

The list of the guests entertained this year is as follows:

Canon Edmund H. Fellowes, a former guest, who lectured on early choral music in England.

Dr. S. R. K. Glanville, keeper of Egyptian and Assyrian Antiquities in the British Museum.

Max Montor, a German actor and lecturer, who was kind enough to put on an impromptu entertainment for us in the living room.

Paul Blanshard, the Executive Secretary of the City Affairs Committee and former Managing Editor of the Nation.

Judge Harrington Putnam, a very close friend of the Association, and Professor Ernest G. Lorenzen of the Yale Law School, who attended the dedication of the new Myron Taylor Law Building on our campus.

The above were welcomed as formal guests, but in a more informal manner we have enjoyed meeting old members and near members. The two near members we have met so far this year have been Mrs. Aurella H. Reinhardt, the mother of Paul and Fred Reinhardt, and Mrs. Horatio Parker, the aunt of Parker Bailey.

The older members who have returned to the scene for at least a short visit have been Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crichton and Mr. and Mrs. G. Arthur Whitecotton.

As many of the oldest members and alumni will remember, Crichton was a member of the Telluride Institute and on the Constitutional Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitecotton came down from Connecticut for a short visit and seemed to be much impressed with the changes which have taken place during the few years since they were both students here.

Our latest visitors were Harvey and Mrs. Mansfield and Mike Yarrow, who spent the week-end of November 11th with us.

The Branch has begun the year auspiciously in reference to the various honorary societies on the Hill. Charles Gilbert has been bid to the honorary geology fraternity, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, and Paul Reinhardt to the honorary medical society known as Skulls. William Kuder has been very active in the Dramatic Club and according to local press notices, "portrayed that certain something" (probably by finding a congenial part) in the play, "The Drunkard." H. W. D.

## Documents Received

Deposition of Chromium on Glass, by Robley C. Williams. (Reprinted from the Physical Review, pp. 255, vol. 41, no. 2; July 15, 1932).

Nuclear Moment of Barium as Determined from the Hyperfine Struc-

ture of the Ba II lines, by Kruger, Professor Gibbs, and Robley C. Williams. (Reprinted from the Physical Review, pp. 322-326, vol. 41, no. 3; August 1, 1932).

Dental Pathology of the Eskimo. Dental Pathology of Aboriginal California, Histopathology of Dental Caries and its Periapical Sequelae, Dental Morphology and Pathology of Prehistoric Guam—all by Dr. Rufus W. Leigh, B.A., M.A., D.D.S., Captain, Dental Corps., U. S. Army.

## Addresses Needed

News Letters sent to the following people have been returned. Will anyone knowing anything about the whereabouts of one or more of these, please notify us as we wish to publish a list of addresses in the next issue of the News Letter?

J. W. Aird  
G. B. Beebe  
O. P. M. Biersach  
P. L. Clark  
L. E. Cluff  
H. N. Dielerlehs  
C. W. Dunn  
H. J. Durland  
A. N. Geyer  
C. P. Goody  
R. F. Hamilton  
O. L. Larson  
William H. Magulre  
A. E. Park  
Joseph Pijon  
Casey Robinson  
J. B. Sebree  
D. R. Shirk  
F. E. Sweeney  
L. A. Sweeney  
J. C. Van Etten  
A. J. Wurts  
Bradford Yaggy

## Wallace Cook

Wallace Cook, who has been doing graduate work at Yale, has fully recovered from a light attack of pneumonia. Wallace has a fellowship and a position as reader in the department of psychology and is working toward his Ph.D.

## Dr. Leigh

Dr. R. W. Leigh, in the government service at Fort Omaha, Nebraska, pursued studies in comparative pathology in the Department of Anthropology, University of California, during the summer. A large group of ancient Egyptian crania, dating from predynastic to Christian eras, were critically examined for characteristic morphologic and pathologic features. A similar study was made of a sizeable collection of pre-Spanish-Peruvian material. The studies were under the general direction of Professor A. L. Kroeber who has requested Dr. Leigh to submit manuscripts with a view of publication in the University of California series.

Llewellyn Leigh, the son of Dr. Leigh, accepted an invitation of Mr. P. N. Nunn to work on the ranch at Deep Springs during the summer of

1930. He has completed two years of pre-Medical work at the University of Utah and has now entered the professional course of dentistry at the University of Michigan.

## Donald Matson

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intra-ranch, or departmental, transactions. An accurate scale of charges together with a revamped basis for distribution has been worked out. It is hoped that these changes will at the end of the year tell just what it is costing to operate the several departments of Deep Springs and point out where the money is being spent, defining in the meantime to what extent each department is contributing to or draining the resources of the institution.

What is the outlook at present? The following illustrates rather appallingly what this year's budget necessitates: The Boarding House must carry itself on the basis of one dollar a day for those served, whereas in the past four years it has averaged an apparent net deficit of \$2,800. The Farm must operate at a maximum deficit of \$1,000, where it averaged a deficit of \$5,400 during the past four years. The Dairy and the Range Cattle must carry themselves or show a profit. The amount of the merchant's salary must cover any deficit incurred by the Machine Shop and Transportation. The instruction appropriation has been allowed a maximum of \$4,500 as in comparison with over \$13,000 last year. This may give some idea of the financial difficulties Deep Springs is attempting to surmount. Drastic cuts in both salaries and personnel have, of course, been necessary to even approximate the task.

If Deep Springs maintains its standards of achievement, and there is every indication that it will more than do so, the lion's share of the credit must go to Mr. P. N., who is giving his invaluable service gratis and directing the work of these trying times efficiently and wholeheartedly. In addition, the sympathy and forcefulness of Dean Crawford has added much to our program this year, and Father Meehan's donation of his services becomes a more valuable gift to us daily. The spirit of these men in their unselfish efforts is permeating Deep Springs.

It is my personal opinion that this year will prove of incalculable value to Deep Springs. In other words, economy is proving an excellent purgative. Too much has been handed out on silver platters to both students and employees. The obligations which this entails, entirely forgotten in time of plenty, are being realized now in time of need. Point of view is changing from the selfish bleeding of Deep Springs for what it is worth to a sincere desire to make a return in good measure for the privilege of making use of the opportunities offered. It is a refreshing process.

Very sincerely,  
DONALD MATSON

## Deep Springs Notes

Deep Springs opened on September 15, 1932, with a student body of eighteen members, nine of them new students.

### First Year

Robert Bear.....Evanston, Ill.  
Drayton Bryant.....Palo Alto, Cal.  
Edmund Burnett....Knoxville, Tenn.  
John de Beer.....Glencoe, Ill.  
Earle Henley.....Oakland, Cal.  
Ralph Kleps.....Batavia, N. Y.  
John Waldo.....Salt Lake City, Utah  
Robert West.....Evanston, Ill.  
Edmund Zalinski.Salt Lake City, Utah

### Second Year

Charles Brunell....New York, N. Y.  
Bonham Campbell..New York, N. Y.  
Ward Fellows.....Claremont, Cal.  
Frederic Laise....Washington, D. C.  
Richard Lewis.....Inverness, Cal.

### Third Year

Walter Balderston....Chicago, Ill.  
Armand Kelly....Salt Lake City, Utah  
Donald Matson.....Altadena, Cal.  
Roy Ryden.....Balboa, Canal Zone

Dean Walter Crawford and Father Ed Meehan are the regular instructors this year teaching English, Sociology, History, Psychology, French, and Biology. Armand Kelly is the instructor for a class in Geology, and Roy Ryden for Mathematical Analysis.

Mr. P. N. Nunn is conducting a study of the letters of L. L. Nunn during his visits at the ranch. These are to crystallize and clarify the student's concept of the purpose and ideals of Deep Springs.

Our visitors have included Wayne Bannister who gave us readings from English poetry, and Duane Carnes who discussed "Civil Liberty" one evening during his stay. Another guest was Mr. Carroll Whitman who stopped for a few days during the middle of October.

Old students will be interested to know that a fireproof building has been built between the garage and faculty cottage to house records and other valuable objects not now protected from danger.

The regular fall meeting of the Trustees was held on the week-end of October 29. Mr. Biersach, Mr. Nunn, Mr. Suhr, and Mr. Waldo were present.

Julian Steward gave a ten-day course of lectures on the development of civilization the first part of November.

### Officers, Fall Term

President .....Matson  
Labor Commissioner .....Ryden  
Student Body Trustee .....Kelly  
Advisory Committee .....Balderston,  
Fellows, Ryden  
Secretary .....Campbell  
Treasurer .....Laise  
Assistant Treasurer .....Lewis  
Librarian .....Brunell  
Tool Custodian .....Fellows  
Fire Chief .....Laise  
Sergeant-at-Arms .....Zalinski

The Student Body took an all-day trip on October 2 to the petrified forest in the northern end of Fish Lake Valley. On October 16 a party

went up on Westgard Pass and collected pine nuts, which were very plentiful there this year. W. B.

## "Mac" Parker

From the Cleveland News comes a clipping with a heavy headline: "Parker Urges Public Places Use Ohio Coal." Over a photo which Mac's Ohusted friends would probably recognize appears the subcaption: "Calls Ohio Coal Good Fuel, Cheap." The opening sentence of the news item gives the clue as to his sudden interest in fuel, as follows:

"McRea Parker, assistant director of Cleveland Schools and president of the Cleveland Engineering Society, believes that public schools, municipalities, and other tax-supported agencies which buy fuel should burn Ohio-mined coal whenever combustion equipment permits. . . Mr. Parker supervised the purchase of this winter's coal supply for the Cleveland schools."

No doubt, it is easy to consume the major portion of one's time in saving money for taxpayers; yet the News Letter hopes that our versatile alumnus will find time before long to give a personal account of his activities.

## Dan Lindsay

From the Cleveland News also comes a clipping headed: "Conditioning Air Destined to be Big Industry," a copyrighted article by Bradley W. Trent. He says: "Air conditioning has promise of becoming a business amounting to a quarter billion dollars annually, and of increasing the demand for electric power by over five million horsepower within the next twenty years, according to statements made by engineers at a meeting of the American institute here (New York) today."

"At present \$2,250,000 is being spent annually for electric power to operate air conditioning equipment, but it is estimated that by 1952 this bill will have expanded to \$57,400,000," said D. C. Lindsay, physicist for the Carrier Corporation, who was one of the principal speakers on the program which centered around the general topic, "Indoor Weather Today and Tomorrow."

## Paid Subscriptions

Up to November 10 the News Letter has received \$83.33 in subscriptions from members and friends of the Association. Sums contributed have varied from one to five dollars per person. The Deep Springs student body sent a check for ten dollars.

If the News Letter is to be self-supporting, about \$150 more must come from voluntary contributions.

## Books for Deep Springs

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and Today (revised edition).  
Collections of Modern Short Stories (like those of Ginn & Co.).  
Sheen—God and Intelligence.  
Farrar—The Life of Christ.  
Schmidt—The Prophet of Nazareth.  
Cross—Socrates, the Man and his Mission.  
Hobson—John Ruskin, Social Reformer.  
Ward—Charles Darwin, the man and his Warfare.  
Vallery-Radot Life of Pasteur (translation).  
Andrews—Mahatma Gandhi's Ideas.  
Towle—Marco Polo, his Travels and Adventures.  
Cook—Life of Florence Nightingale.  
Belloc—Robespierre.  
Perris—Leo Tolstoi, the Grand Mujik.  
Holden—Copernicus.  
Fabie—Galileo, his Life and Work.  
Thomas—The Life of Buddha as Legend and History.  
Gardner—Six Greek Sculptors.  
Theophrastus—Characters.  
New edition of Gray's Anatomy.  
Olmstead—Assyria.  
Balkie—Life of the Ancient East.  
Balkie—The Amarna Age.  
Tarbous—The Private Life of Tut-Ankh-Amen.  
Breasted—History of Egypt.  
King—History of Sumer and Akkad.  
Wooley—The Sumerians.  
Kent—Social Teachings of the Prophets and Jesus.  
Kent—Growth and Contents of the Old Testament.  
Lingard—History of England.  
Leo (Brother)—History of English Literature (MacMillan Co.).  
De Wulf (Maurice)—History of Mediaeval Philosophy.  
Dimnet—What we Live By.

### MAGAZINES

Journal of Applied Sociology—Year's subscription.  
Journal of Psychology.  
A good English Journal.  
A Journal of Geology.  
Reader's Digest.

## Walter Welti

This first of a series of faculty recitals was presented by the Cornell Department of Music at Bailey Hall early in October. Both participants are well known to many Telluriders. Professor Harold D. Smith, organist, was a guest at Cornell Branch during the year 1929-30, and Walter Welti, Cornell, '24, is a former member of Telluride Association.

Walter has been head of the music department of the state college at Logan, Utah. During his sabbatic leave this year he is doing graduate work at Cornell, and is acting as assistant in the Department of Music, offering vocal instruction and assisting with the Sage Chapel Choir.