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## Bequest of \$5000 Comes To Chapter Thru Will Of the Late A. S. Olmsted

**Income from Fund Will Be Used for General Repairs, Improvements**

Following the death of *Allen Seymour Olmsted '79* on November 21, 1942, in Buffalo, N. Y., the chapter was advised that a bequest of \$5,000 to the chapter was contained in the will.

The late Brother Olmsted studied Science & Letters two years at Cornell. He later became the originator of Allen's Foot-Ease which he manufactured for 50 years.

One of the last acts of the benefactor was to present to the village of LeRoy, N. Y., the original mansion of Jacob LeRoy for whom the town was named. The mansion will be used by the LeRoy Historical Society for a museum.

He also left \$50,000 to Cornell University in the form of a trust fund for scholarships; \$5,000 to Williston Academy in Easthampton, Mass.; another \$50,000 to the First Presbyterian Church of LeRoy for a parish house. The Olmsted homestead and 10 acres of land were left to the village of LeRoy for use as a public park after the death of his brother and sister-in-law.

The Alpha Delta Phi Corporation officers have announced that the \$5,000 bequested to the chapter, will be invested in bonds, income from which is to be used for general improvements and repairs to the house and grounds.

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## Dick Pietsch Has Fruit Farm

*Richard F. Pietsch '26* writes: "Despite a Cornell AB degree and many years in advertising and real estate work around Chicago, I have cut loose from the past and recently bought an attractive fruit farm (peaches and apples) on the edge of the Blue Ridge Mountains near Charlottesville, Va., where I am happily leading a new life". The address is Bonnie Brook Farm, Crozet, Va.

## Cornell Chapter Loses 13 Men To Service During School Year

At this writing in mid-February, the chapter has lost a total of 11 members and two pledges so far this year. All have entered the various armed services of the US.

These men include *John Weaver '43*, Ithaca; *Dick Roenke '44*, Geneva, N. Y.; *Bob Woods, '44*, Pelham, N. Y.; *Len Pratt '44*, Jenkintown, Pa.; *George Cornell '45*, Pelham, N. Y.; *Alexander Dann '45*, Sewickley, Pa.; *Glen Daly '45*, Greenwich, Conn.; *George Van Hagen '45*, Barrington, Ill.; *John Brady '46*, Buffalo; *Jim Bryant '46*, Norwalk, Conn.; *James Hills '46*, Washington, D. C. The pledges are *Terry McGuirk '46*, Bellport, N. Y., and *Ted Warfield '46*, Woodbine, Md.

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## Micou '16 Receives Citation On Leaving for New Command

When *Lieut. Comdr. Benjamin H. Micou '16*, USNR, left the Navy Pre-Flight School at Chapel Hill, N. C., last November for a new assignment as supply officer of Air Technical Training Command, Chicago, he was given the following citation by his office staff at Chapel Hill:

"The Supply Department . . . by serving under your direction has been taught the grandeur of extreme devotion to service. From your purposeful driving spirit we have learned true zeal. From your comprehensive planning, your painstaking attention to detail, we have learned infinite patience. Your unselfish, unsparing demands upon yourself have taught us the fuller meaning of duty. Your courtly consideration of others has become our model for loyalty and cooperation. Though you leave us, much of you will remain. These things you have taught us we shall not forget, any more than we can forget you."

In addition, he was presented a hand-painted plaque bearing a watercolor portrait of himself, sketches of the Navy wings, an aircraft carrier, a plane, the Supply Corps emblem, and the signatures of his fellow workers.

## Large Class of 17 Men Inducted Into Chapter At December Initiation

**One Junior, Two Sophomores Included; 10 Alumni Present at Banquet**

The Cornell chapter held its 64th annual initiation ceremonies at the chapter house on December 11, 12, and 13, with the formal initiation ceremonies on the 13th. Although there were few alumni back, the initiation was considered highly successful. It was directed by *Fern Whitaker '44*, assisted by *Gene Wolfe* and *Bill Bromstedt '45*.

Reason for the early date was that the Interfraternity Council requested all Cornell fraternities to hold initiations during the first term, and set aside the weekend of December 12. The Council further requested that all initiation activities be confined to the period of Friday afternoon to Sunday night.

The formal initiation at the house was highlighted this year by the charge given by A. W. Brown, *Middletown '00*. Following the formal ceremonies the brothers adjourned to the initiation banquet, also at the house. President *Robert J. Woods '44* welcomed the initiates into brotherhood, the response by *Wilson T. Ballard '45*.

We were fortunate in having as a guest, Col. Clinton B. Allsopp, *California '12*, father of *Peter B. Allsopp '46*. The Colonel advised the brothers the best thing for them to do was to stay in school as long as possible and to get as much college training as they can before being called into the service.

Alumni present included *John P. Young '94*, *C. V. P. Young, '99*, *Arthur W. Brown, Middletown '00*,

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## Johnny Riggs '38 Has a Son

News comes that *Lt. (jg) John S. Riggs '38* of the USNR is the proud father of son John S., Jr., born November 10, 1942. We address the Riggs at 905 W. Water St., Elmira, N. Y.

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### Annual Initiation Is Held Early at Request of Council

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*Ansley Wilcox '21, Leonard B. Colt '22, Frank J. Tone '25, Paul K. Rice '25, Emmet E. Lynn, Rochester '25, James E. Rice, Jr. '30, Frederick S. Brown '36.*

There were 17 initiates this year.

Richard P. Roenke '44, Geneva, N. Y.  
Pedro C. Towers '45, Olivos, Argentina.

George E. Ford '45, Mapewood, N. J.  
Peter B. Allsopp '46, New York City.  
(Son of Lt. Col. C. B. Allsopp, Cal.)  
John Brady, Buffalo, N. Y.  
James R. Bryant, Jr., Norwalk, Conn.  
Jack M. Cudlip, Grosse Pointe, Mich.  
John C. Cunningham, Omaha, Nebr.  
James S. Hills, Washington, D. C.  
Benjamin R. Huske, Ithaca.  
David S. Klauder, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

James S. Marsh, South Salem, N. Y.  
Hilary H. Micou, Grosse Pointe, Mich.  
(Son of Lt. Comdr. H. H. Micou '15)  
John H. Rasch, Mt. Carmel, Conn.  
Cornelius J. Reid, Jr., Mill Neck, N. Y.  
Peter L. Wastrom, Hamden, Conn.

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### Two Freshmen Pledge, Then Leave

The chapter took pleasure in pledging *Torrence P. McGuirk '46*, Bellport, N. Y., and *Edwin Warfield, III '46* of Woodbine, Md., during January, but before they had time to become well acquainted with the chapter, let alone to get initiated, they left for the armed forces at the end of the first term.

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### Higgins '38 In Naval Reserves

Formerly with C. A. Fuller Co., Washington, D. C., *Daniel P. Higgins, Jr. '38*, entered the US Naval Reserves on January 19, 1943, as a chief specialist, or more specifically, as a physical director. His mail may be sent to his home, 9 East 96th St., New York City.

## Exodus of Students for the Armed Forces Compared to Spring of 1917; Fraternities Losing Men; Cornell to Train Men for Navy

During this month of February we are probably re-enacting rather closely what took place at Cornell during the months of April and May, 1917, although on possibly a slightly smaller scale.

The entrance of college students into the armed forces is being stepped up markedly since the end of the last term, and bidding adieu to fraternity brothers and other Cornell friends is becoming a daily occasion. Not only are many being drafted, but the Army Branch of the Enlisted Reserve Corps is calling up its men rapidly.

Fraternity memberships are dropping. Many houses are finding themselves with such reduced memberships that several have closed their dining rooms and are taking meals at other houses. For instance, Delta Phi is eating lunch and dinner with Delta Upsilon. The Dekes are sharing the board of the Psi U house. The Zeta Psi membership has moved into the Chi Phi house following the breakdown of the Zeta heating system.

While all of this goes on we still

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### Henderson Riggs '44 Elected President to Succeed Woods

At a formal chapter meeting on February 1, we elected *Henderson G. Riggs '44* the new chapter president, succeeding *Bob Woods '44* who left for the armed forces. "Hendy" comes from Elmira, is enrolled in Arts & Sciences.

New vice-president is *Vernon E. Whitaker '44*, Chem Eng, Birmingham, Ala., succeeding *John Weaver '43*. Steward is *Pedro C. Towers '45*, Mechanical Engineering, Olivos, Argentina, succeeding *Wes Whittier '44*. Recording secretary is *Peter B. Allsopp '46*, Ad Eng, New York City, succeeding *Norman Bassett '45*.

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### Bill Robinson at Camp Sibert

Since the last issue we learn that *Lieut. William F. Robinson '41* and wife (Margery G. Huber '41) are in Gadsden, Ala., while Bill is stationed at Camp Sibert. Their address is 290 Walnut Street.

don't know for sure just what type of military training will be carried on at Cornell. From all of the various reports and rumors we can tell you what is most likely to happen. The men in the Enlisted Reserve Corps are being called up, will be given several months of basic training at a camp, and those showing sufficient aptitude for specialization will be sent to a college campus for specialized training.

We think Cornell will specialize in some form of engineering. How many men will be sent here remains to be seen, but reports are that the number may reach 2,500. These will be men from many colleges not just Cornell. As for accommodations for such a group the University has recommended to the War Department the use of fraternity houses, agreeing to store and insure the furniture, to redecorate the house following the war, and to reimburse each fraternity for the use of the house.

While the Army and Navy prefer the use of dormitories, it happens that the Cornell Naval Training Station has already taken over all of the Baker dormitories, as well as Sage College. As for the problem of mess, the University suggests the use of Willard Straight Hall, probably enclosing the terrace section, and using the main cafeterias.

This matter of turning the campus into a training camp has been hanging fire for many months, and everyone concerned on the Hill is anxious to know the final answer. In the meantime, the University is waiting for word to proceed in getting ready for such a group, but when the word will come, and when the men will arrive are two unknown quantities at the moment.

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### Lowe's Have One of Each

*Henry W. Lowe '35* now has a son, Norman Hayes Lowe, born July 1, 1942, as well as daughter, Marcia, two years. Still account executive with Compton Advertising, 630 5th Avenue, New York City, Hank has a new home address, Wesskum Wood Road, Riverside, Conn.

## Chapter Faces Losses In Membership; May Share Eating Facilities

Arrangement Being Worked  
Out for Another House  
To Eat with Us

By Henderson G. Riggs '44

In the fall we started with a chapter of 28 men, 24 of whom lived in the house. We pledged 15 freshmen, eight moving into the house when they were forced to leave the dormitories when the Navy moved in.

Since that time we have lost 15 members, 13 to the armed forces and two by graduation. Two pledges have just been added, and at this time there are 30 in the chapter, 20 living in the house and approximately 22 eating regularly in the dining room.

The most immediate and critical problem we face is that of trying to keep the dining room operating. Steady rise in food cost coupled with the steady exodus of brothers makes it difficult. If the number in the dining room drops below 20 we may be forced to close it. Solution to the problem seems to be the merging of two fraternities into a common dining room. Negotiations between us and another house are presently under way, and it is entirely possible that within a few weeks 15 or more boys from that house may be eating in our dining room.

Whether the house itself shuts down entirely depends largely upon the calling up of the Enlisted Reserve Corps. While the Navy has stated it will not call its reserves until June, the Army's plans are not known. But five of our members are in the Navy while 21 are in the Army Reserves. If the latter is called we would be forced to close immediately.

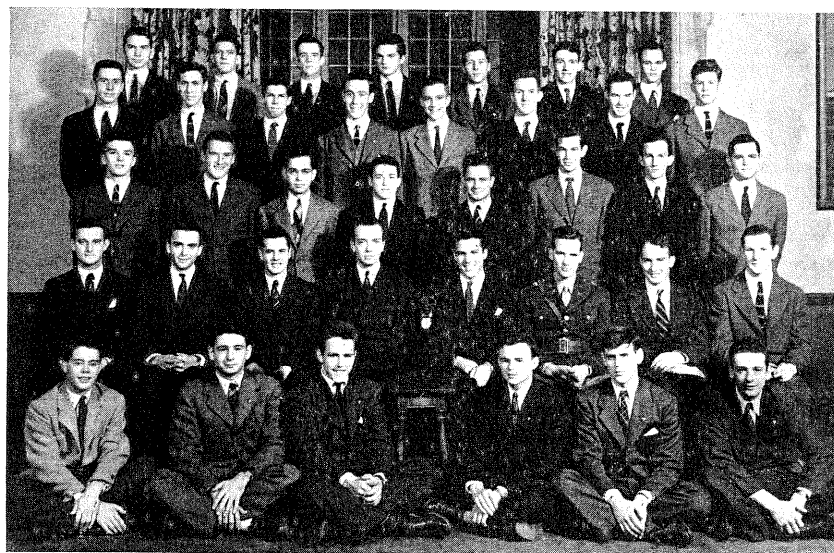
I do not think the ERC will be called before the term's end, and that we may finish out the school year. However, I do feel that June will bring the complete end of the chapter for the duration. The house will probably be leased to the Army as a dormitory for men sent here for technical training.

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### John Ogden '37 In Little Rock

From the Alumni News we learn that *John F. Ogden '37* has a son, also known as John D., and that the Ogden residence is 321 Fairfax St., Little Rock, Ark.

## Many of These Men In Uniform



**MORE THAN A DOZEN** of the above men have already left for the armed forces: Back row, left to right: Allsopp, Micou, Rasch, Wastrom, Bryant, Cunningham, Cudlip, all '46. Fourth row: Bulk, Campbell, Bromstedt, Towers, Dann, VanHagen, Daly, Wolfe, all '45.

Third row: Ford, Riggs, Friend, all '44, Hunsberger '45, Cornell '45, Roenke '44, Whitaker '44, Kirchner '45. Second row: Pratt '44, Dusenbury '43, Ricaurte '43, Smith '42, Woods '44, Miller '42, Nevius '43, Whittier '44. Front: Hills, Huske, Marsh, Reid, Klauder, Ballard, all '46.

### Annual Holiday Eggnog Party Enjoyed By Faculty, Friends

The seasonal atmosphere of congeniality prevailed at the house for the annual Christmas Eggnog party shortly before the holidays. Very much a tradition in recent years, the party was attended by many faculty members and friends of Alpha Deltas.

The house was decorated tastefully with wreaths and laurel ropes, and a large Christmas tree stood in the front hall. Various games were played in the game room, following which the carol sing was held in the Great Hall. Center of attraction, of course, was the seemingly-bottomless bowl of egg nog on the end of the Great Hall table.

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### Doc Wickham in Naval Reserves

*Dr. Woodward A. Wickham '29* of 915 Second Street, Jackson, Mich., was commissioned a lieutenant in the medical corps of the USNR last June. His military address is US Navy 1270, Care Fleet Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif. "Woodie" married Virginia McLaren in 1937, has two children—Susan 4, Woodward, Jr. 8 months.

### Ricaurte and Weaver Graduate, Leave for Military Training

Two men were lost to the chapter through graduation late in January. *Paul John Weaver, II '43* of Ithaca, son of Prof. P. J. Weaver, and *Edwardo Marco Ricaurte '43*, Buenos Aires, Argentina. They received their diplomas with several hundred other seniors in Bailey Hall on the afternoon of January 24.

Both men were majors in chemistry and received the Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. John left for training at Fort Sill, Okla., while Ed is leaving shortly for his home in Argentina where he will begin his military training.

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### Lt. Woolley '31 at Atlantic City

*Frank F. Woolley, Jr. '31* went into the Army as a 2nd lieutenant on May 6, 1942; was stationed at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo., until August when he was transferred to Army Air Forces Basic Training Center, Atlantic City, N. J. He was promoted to 1st lieutenant in November, and says the Army is a swell occupation. His permanent address is RFD 1, Cumberland Center, Maine.

## Annual Junior Week Party Has New Title of "Victory Week"

Although houseparties had been banned for the duration, the Faculty Committee reconsidered sufficiently to permit a celebration between terms, but labeled the event "Victory Week" instead of the usual Junior Week.

We held a joint party with Chi Psi, Kappa Alpha and Psi Upsilon on that weekend — January 29 — and a successful one it was, although it proved to be the last glimpse of collegiate social activity for many Alpha Deltas (and many Cornellians) who left the following week for the armed forces.

In addition to the regular house dances, the weekend featured a show in Bailey Hall entitled "V's in Our Bonnet" (very excellent), admission to which was the purchase of War Stamps. The big dance in Drill Hall Friday night of the weekend was called "Victory Ball" and had the music of Bobbie Sherwood.

According to the last report, the weekend activities totaled nearly \$15,000 in War Stamps and Bonds for the war effort.

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### Major Freeman '27 in Texas

T. B. (Ted) Freeman '27, who left Price Waterhouse & Co. in 1940 to go into the service as a captain in Field Artillery, is a major (last we heard) and has been transferred from the instructor staff of the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla., to troop duty at Camp Howze, Texas, where his address is APO 86.

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### Prince '35 Starring On Broadway

William L. Prince '35, who was active in Dramatic Club at Cornell, is carving out a career on the stage in New York City. His most recent role was the male lead in "The Eve of St. Mark". He has also played in "Guest in the House"; "Ah, Wilderness"; and in four Shakespearean plays.

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### Will Herbert '42 in Alaska

As commanding officer of a 50-man detachment, Lt. Wilbur F. Herbert '42 is stationed in Alaska. His address is 10th Ord. Service Co., APO 941, Seattle, Washington, and he would like to receive some mail.

## News Briefs of Alpha Delt Alumni

### New Addresses Since Last Issue

Winfield R. Shiras '82, 504 Neville Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Edgar S. Bowman '02, 112 South Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

Chas F. Brinkerhoff, Jr. '05, 1808 I Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Wilbur Newton '05, Kittredge Bldg., Denver, Colo.

James Q. Newton '07, 828 17th Street, Denver, Col.

John T. Johnson '09, 224 Moose Arcade, 63 S. Howard Street, Akron, Ohio.

John DeWitt '17, 360 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

William H. Eastman '17, 621 Franklin Avenue, River Forest, Ill.

John D. Wilmington '18, Lamson Bros., Toledo, Ohio.

W. Randolph Pietsch '14, 1082 Cherry Street, Winnetka, Ill.

Howard L. Simmons, Jr. '25, Ridgeview Hotel, Evanston, Ill.

Philip S. Lyon '27, 220 Fidelity Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

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### McNamara '37 May Get Sea Duty

Robert J. (Bibber) McNamara '37, formerly with Phelps-Dodge Corp., New York City, was commissioned an ensign in the USNR last August and was ordered to Washington for active duty with the Army-Navy Munitions Board. When he wrote us in December he stated it looked as though he might be on sea duty within a few months. His mail will be forwarded from 704 E. Buffalo Street, Ithaca, for the duration.

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### Eddison Completes OCS Training

Lieut. John C. Eddison '42, US Army Engineers, visited the chapter for a day following his graduation from Officer Candidate School at Ft. Belvoir, Va., late in January. He is now located at Westover Field, Mass.

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### Second Son for Bob Lyon '29

Richard Adams Lyon was born to the household of Robert N. Lyon '29 last September 23 — the second boy. Alexander is now approaching three years. Bob continues as an economics analyst for Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, office at Room 2841, Rockefeller Plaza, New York City.

### News from Sam Rockwell '37

Lt. Samuel S. Rockwell '37, 4745 Pine Tree Drive, Miami Beach, Fla., of the Army Air Corps Technical Training Command, writes: "Since August, 1941, I have been on duty in Panama. My wife returned to the States in May of 1942, and on November 3 our daughter, Anna Paisley, was born in Montgomery, Ala. In January of this year I was transferred to the Miami Beach Air Base Command Base here in Florida. I have been out of touch with most of my classmates for some time and would like to hear from Tim Perkins, Jack Conway and Bib Crile."

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### Booth '25 Needs Some Engineers

Ted H. Booth '25, 665 Polo Dr., Clayton, Mo., writes: "I have found St. Louis a splendid place to live and very hospitable, thanks largely to Tom Noel '25 and Turner Clarkson '21. The plant which I have been in charge of designing, building and operating for the Walworth Company for the US Navy is in quantity production on cast steel valves, but we still need many more foremen and production engineers and would be glad to hear from anyone whose peacetime business is folding up."

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### New Addresses for Alumni

Holland Beeber '25, 3131 University Avenue, San Diego, Calif.

John Teagle '29, 217 Rosebud, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Fred A. Pease, Jr. '30, Route 3, Jackson Road, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Walter G. Phelps '30, 115 E. 235th Street, Bronx, New York.

Richard H. Sampson '32, 69 West Washington Street, Chicago.

Charles M. Reppert, Jr. '34, 1721 Linwood Avenue, RD 2, Lancaster, Pa.

Arthur E. Hoffman '38, 231 Kenwood Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

Thomas B. Modine '38, 2818 Taylor Street, Racine, Wisc.

Harris I. Stanton '38, 593 Sumner Avenue, Springfield, Mass.

John H. Cavender, Jr. '39, 7015 East End Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Charles Munschauer '41, 683 Northland Street, Buffalo.

Robert Munschauer '42, 683 Northland Street, Buffalo.