

# THE ALPHA DELT

Cornell University Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi

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## Initiation Ceremony Held In March

The seventeenth annual initiation ceremonies were held at the Chapter House over the weekend of March 17th. On the recommendation of several Alumni it was decided to shorten the initiation to two days instead of three so that the formal banquet could be held on Saturday night. The purpose of this was so that Alumni could return and stay for the whole initiation ceremonies instead of having to leave Sunday morning before the main part of the initiation took place. None of the assignments were cut out in the shortened initiation, but everything was just speeded up a little with the pledges getting less time to study each one. The desired effect was accomplished, and we will undoubtedly continue to use the two-day initiation so that more of the Alumni will be able to get back and partake in the ceremonies in future years.

### Our Alumni Present

Among those Alumni returning for the ceremonies were: President T. H. Booth '25, R. G. Birkin '25, H. H. Bradley '26, F. S. Brown '36, H. W. Hooker '28, W. B. Knight, Jr. '38, J. E. Rice '30, F. J. Tone '24, G. H. Young '00, C. V. Young '99, J. M.

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## ALUMNI DUES CAMPAIGN

Response to the annual appeal for Alumni Dues is coming along on schedule as a result of the letter recently sent out by Brother F. Jerome Tone. To those who have already sent in their checks goes the sincere appreciation of the officers and trustees. Those who have not yet shared in this year's financial support of the chapter are urged by the Trustees to send in their gift to Brother Tone, Box 337, Niagara Falls, N. Y., at the earliest convenience.

## CHAPTER REQUIRES ALUMNI HELP FOR 1951 RUSHING SEASON

### Meet Our New Officers

On Monday night, May 21, the chapter elections were held and the following officers elected for the Fall term:

Charles Watters, Buffalo, was elected president. Chuck served the House as vice-president this past semester, and has also been social chairman. On the Hill he is a member of Pyramid and Majura.

The new vice-president is William Ferguson, Huntington, West Virginia. Bill has been social chairman, secretary and athletic chairman in past years. He is on the Cornell Engineer and holds memberships in Atmos, Pi Delta Epsilon, and Scabbard and Blade.

Clyde Brown from Glenridge, N. J., is the new secretary. He is in the Canterbury Club, and was a member of the freshman crew. The new social chairman is William Hodges, Forest, Virginia. Bill has previously served in the capacity of secretary. He is a member of the Savage Club, Cayuga's Waiters, and the Glee Club. He is also active in the Pomology Club and Ho-Nun-De-Kah.

Richard Conway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin is the new rushing chairman. Dick is in the Big Red Band and also plays in the University orchestra.

Dave Higgins, Birmingham, Alabama is the initiation chairman, and has served the House as secretary previously. He is a member of the Savage Club, on the golf squad, and a member of Kappa Tau Chi.

Herbert McCarter has been elected house manager, and Don Johnson is assistant house manager. The new pledgemaster is Don Berg. William Kimber is athletic chairman and Walter Lautenberger is historian.

This year, as in the past, the chapter is looking forward to a large response from the alumni in recommending young men who are planning to enter Cornell next fall. The response that we have received from the alumni in past years has enabled the chapter to get young men who are instrumental in keeping our fraternity among the leading houses on the Hill.

If information about prospective rushees is sent to the rushing committee during the early part of the summer, it will greatly facilitate the rushing program, by allowing the chapter to contact the prospective rushees prior to their arrival on the campus. It is often difficult to make dates with new students after they arrive at Cornell due to previous dates they have made with other houses during the summer months.

The rushing committee would greatly appreciate the names, home addresses and any other information that might be known about the new students. If during the ensuing weeks you learn of any men who are coming to Cornell, and would like to recommend them to the chapter, please send us a letter giving the above information about the young men.

Please address such information to *Richard Conway*, 4865 N. Woodruff, Milwaukee, Wis., during the summer months, or to the chapter house.

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## L. Newton Thomas '24 Sends Handsome Gift

The Chapter recently received a very beautiful silver coffee urn from L. Newton Thomas, Cornell '24, and also a handsome coffee table to go with it as a gift of Mrs. James R. Thomas; father and grandmother, respectively

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Austin Doree '52 .....*Editor*

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News and picture contributions are solicited at all times. Address all communications to the Editor, Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity, 777 Stewart Avenue.

## Valuable History Book Presented To Chapter

Last fall Brother Edward R. Alexander '01, published a book on the history of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity house at Cornell, and presented it to the Chapter. The book is a history of the problems faced by the first group of Alpha Deltas in getting the first house started in 1878, and how they successfully overcame them.

The Chapter is deeply indebted to Brother Alexander for his thoughtfulness in presenting us with a copy of the book and should enough of the Alumni want copies also, it can be arranged.

### FILL OUT THE BLANKS!

We are enclosing information blanks with this issue and we would appreciate it if all alumni would fill them in and return them to the chapter house. Anything about you, your families, and your activities would be welcome. These blanks represent the main source of our information about YOU, alumni. If we don't receive them from you, then we have nothing to report about you, therefore, we urge each and every alumni to send us news about himself. Help us make our alumni news columns interesting and informative.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

This June will mark the fifth complete year that the chapter has been open since the war. During this period Alpha Deltas have maintained their high standings on campus thru their contributions to Cornell's athletic teams and other activities about the Hill. Not as well known, however are the undergraduate chapter's contributions to the House itself. It is to the latter that I will devote the major part of his letter.

### Individual Contributions

In the fall of 1946 individual contributions were solicited from the brothers and a new rug purchased for the library. The following summer an oil burner was installed, thus alleviating Reggie Lee of shoveling coal. Also, a new hot water tank was installed. At the same time a new double-door refrigerator and an electric mixer was purchased for the kitchen. All of this was financed from the surplus in the undergraduate chapter's account after the year's operation. Since that time new drapes have been purchased and hung in the library, all the easy chairs and a sofa received new slip covers, and two twelve-foot couches were bought and placed in the living room. In addition it has been necessary for the chapter to buy new blankets, sheets, desks and desk chairs. Last year the undergraduate chapter voted \$1500 to the Alumni Corporation for mortgage reduction.

### Most Noticeable Project

Perhaps the most noticeable project has been the renovation of the Chapter Lodge. Four years ago a special drive was held to raise funds for this work. The excellent response of the Alumni allowed the undergraduate chapter to proceed and each year new improvements have been made. At this time, the pointing up of the outside of the Lodge is nearing completion. The financial burden of the work has been about divided between Alumni contributions and undergraduate chapter funds.

### Other Worthy Features

There have been other features worthy of note during these past five

years. One, has been the noticeable strengthening of Alumni support for which the undergraduate chapter is grateful. The cooperation of the Alumni and their understanding of the problems of the undergraduate chapter has been greatly appreciated. The support of the Alumni will be especially vital in the next few years because of the uncertain world situation and its effect on colleges.

This then has been the pattern of chapter activities for the past five years. I feel confident that the House, with active Alumni support, can look forward to continued development in the years to come.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the brothers and their families a very enjoyable summer and hope that many of you will plan to visit the chapter house next fall.

Faternally,  
Robert J. Entenman  
President

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## L. Newton Thomas

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of L. Newton Thomas, Jr. '51. The Chapter needed a new coffee urn and it is the first time we have had a coffee table to go with it, so they both come as very welcome gifts. The Chapter extends its sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas for their generosity.

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## Wedding Bells

The fairer sex is taking its toll of the brothers as two of them were married recently and two more are planning to be married this summer. Peter Pincoffs '52, married Julie Chalfant in February, and Chuck Wilder '51 married Chris Clark in March. This summer Hekki Jutila '51, is marrying Barbara Bell '51 in Washington, D.C., and Willet Kiplinger '50 is marrying Carol Hinsman in St. Louis. The house extends its best wishes to these four couples.

## THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING DOING AT ALPHA DELTA PHI



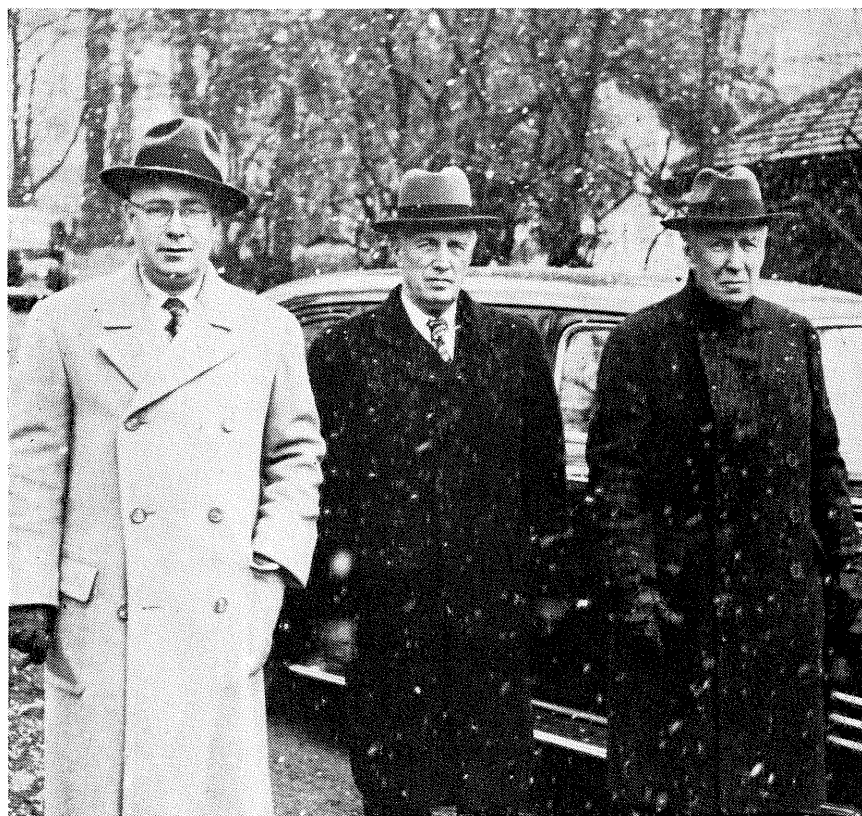
Brother Bill Hodges '52, of Forest, Virginia, navigates this lively group of Alpha Delts and their dates to the crew races on Lake Cayuga, held during Spring Day Weekend.



Jim Rice, Jr. '30, takes a little time out for relaxation at the initiation ceremonies.



Robert J. Entenman, Jr. '50, of Tuckahoe, retiring president and Charles K. Watters '51, of Buffalo, new president, survey the beautiful coffee urn and table; recent gifts to the chapter.



Heavy snow greeted the three Young brothers as they arrived in Ithaca to attend the initiation ceremonies held on March 17. Left to right: John M. Young '28, George H. Young '00, and John P. Young '94.

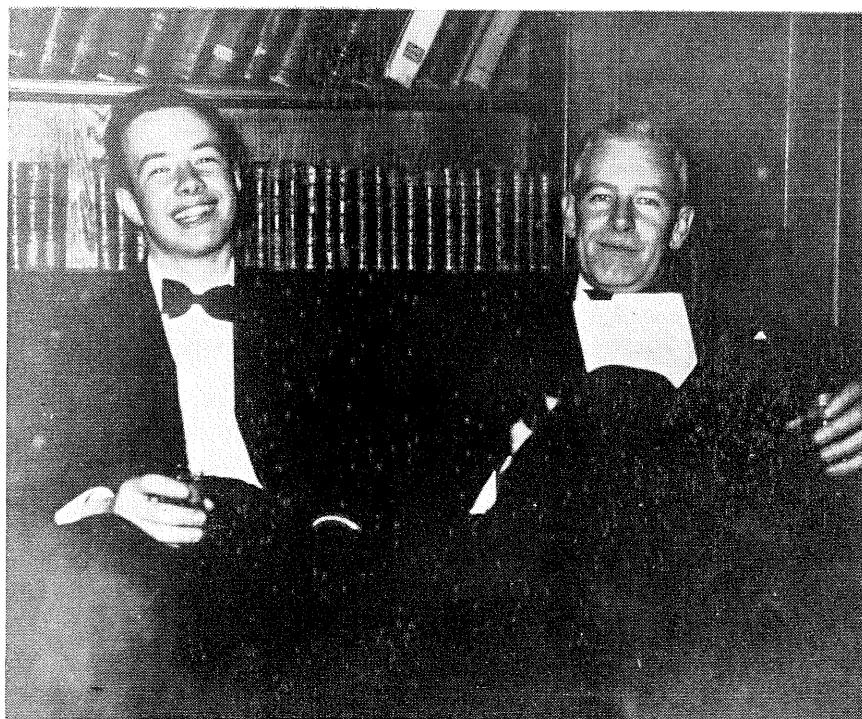


Three energetic brothers devote their time and effort patching up the cement on the Chapter Lodge.

## BROTHER TONE REFLECTS . . .



Brother F. J. Tone, Jr. '24, takes advantage of a break in the initiation ceremonies to reflect on the happenings of the day.



Our new initiate, Charles Booth '54, of Greensburg, Pa., talks over his membership status with his dad, Theodore H. Booth '25, president of the corporation.

## Our Activity Men Play Leading Roles In Campus Affairs

The Chapter has more men in spring activities this year than it has had in quite a few years, with representatives in crew, track, tennis, lacrosse, golf, the Octagon Club, the concert band, and the yachting association.

Jack Keenan, George Kennedy, and Austin Doree are playing on the tennis team, while Gordie Williams is managing the track team which is number one in the Ivy League. George Diehl is a regular player on the varsity lacrosse team, while Dick Gifford, Jim Miller, and Bob Smith are playing on the frosh team. Dave Higgins is playing golf, and Jim Miller is representing Cornell in the yachting regattas. Bob Post is coaching the 150 pound crew, Pete Thompson is stroking the frosh crew, and Bill McKee is rowing on the varsity. Dick Conway is a member of the concert band which gives concerts on the library slope on Sundays. Tom Foulkes took part in writing the songs for the Octagon show which was presented over Spring houseparty.

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## Alumni Help Us Find Our 'Missing' Brothers

Unclaimed letters have been returned to the chapter in the past few weeks addressed to the following brothers:

Charles H. Cornell '52  
Merton Farr Gerhauser '39  
Carlton Evan Johnson '25  
James Samuel Marsh '46  
Jean Francois Mesrite '35  
Peter T. E. Nevins '42  
Rollin Henry White '93  
W. Fairfield Peterson '11  
Leonard V. Spangberg '20  
Edward Dunbar Sullivan '14

If any Alumni know where these men can be found we would appreciate it very much if you would notify the Editor, so that he can get in touch with them. Also, if any alumni move,

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## EIGHT ALPHA DELTS TO JOIN ALUMNI RANKS

### Chapter Bids Farewell To Outstanding Seniors

L. Newton Thomas, Charleston, W. Va., graduates in Civil Engineering, Newt was President of the Chapter last semester. On the campus he has been active in Quill and Dagger, Varsity Track Manager, Pyramid, Spiked Shoe, and Scabbard and Blade.

Donald T. Armington, Ridgewood, N. J., graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences, and has recently served as House Manager. Don served as I.F.C. Committee Chairman, and was also a member of Sage Chapel Choir, and the Junior Week-end Committee.

Hekki J. Jutila, Helsinki, Finland, graduates from the College of Agriculture. He was initiation chairman last year. On the hill, Hekki was on the varsity ski team and soccer teams, and is a wearer of the "C". He is also a member of the Ski Club and Cosmopolitan Club.

George S. Diehl, Baltimore, Md., graduates from the College of Mechanical Engineering. He is a member of the varsity lacrosse team and a wearer of the "C". He is also a member of ASME.

Robert J. Entenman, Crestwood, N. Y. graduates as a Chemical Engineer, and has recently served the Chapter as president. He is a member of Scabbard and Blade, Frosh Camp Counselor, Wagon Wheels, and is a holder of a McMullen Regional Scholarship.

Stanley J. O'Connor, Washington, D.C., graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences, and has served the Chapter as Athletic Chairman. He is a member of Majura.

Robert N. Post, New York City graduates from the college of Mechanical Engineering. He is a member of Quill and Dagger, Scabbard and Blade, Frosh Varsity 150-lb. crew, wearer of the "C", head Cheerleader, Wagon Wheels, and Frosh Camp counselor.

Charles M. G. Wilder, Old Greenwich, Conn., graduates from the College of Mechanical Engineer-

ing. Charlie served the House as social chairman. He was a member of the varsity soccer team, wearer of the "C", Atmos, Shinguard, and the Yacht Club.

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### In Memoriam

Cornell chapter of Alpha Delta Phi regret to report the death of two brothers recently. From Evanston, Ill., comes the sad news that William Elliot Johnson '18, passed away on January 27, after a long illness.

Charles James Billwiller, Jr. '06, an executive of W. R. Grace & Co., importing and exporting corporation in Lima, Peru, died on April 9. Brother Billwiller joined the Grace Company in 1907 as an engineer of nitrate operations in Chile; from there he went to Lima in 1930, and was adviser to the US State Department Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs in Lima during World War II.

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### Brothers-On-The-Move

We wish to thank our alumni for sending in their address changes promptly. The following new address have reached us since the last publication of THE ALPHA DELT:

Joseph Kirkpatrick Bole, Jr. '28—1625 K. Street, N.W., c/o Republic Steel Corporation, Washington 6, D.C.

Alfred M. Entenman, Jr. '42 — 391½ King Street, Chatham, Ontario, Canada.

George E. Ford, Jr. '45 — USS Corporal (SS 346), FPO, New York City, N. Y.

Odus C. Horney, r. '28, —391 El Portal, San Mateo, Calif.

Henry D. Kirchner, Jr. '45—Rt. 7, Box 242 C1, Vancouver, Wash.

Jacob B. Perkins '37—SOM Center Road, Hunting Valley, Cleveland 24, Ohio.

Richard D. Raymond '50—2325½ Wroxton Road, Houston 5, Texas.

Fred Schaefer—5320 Polk, Houston, Texas.

Paul J. Weaver '43—722 Bun Oak

## Make Plans Now, Alumni For Football Season

The Big Red's football future for the coming season are rated exceptionally high. We're counting on taking the Ivy League title this year. It won't be an easy task, however, for we are running up against some stiff competition. Can you think of a better time to visit the campus, than during a football weekend? We can't! Start making plans early to take in some of these exceptional games. Fall is the time when you find college life at it's best. Spirits are always high during the football season. To let you know what's in store for you we have included the football schedule, below. You will note that you have four home games to choose from.

At Homecoming on October 13, we play host to Harvard. Make this game a "must" on your list, and try to come back for all the other games if you can. Here's the schedule:

Sept 29.....Syracuse, at Ithaca

Oct. 6.....Colgate at Hamilton

Oct. 13 .....Harvard, at Ithaca  
(Homecoming)

Oct. 20 .....Yale, at New Haven

Oct. 27—

Princeton at Princeton

Nov. 3.....Columbia, at Ithaca

Nov. 10 .....Michigan, at Ithaca

Nov. 17—

Dartmouth, at Hanover

November 24—

Pennsylvania at Philadelphia

Let's be on hand to see the Ivy League show Big Ten's Michigan, what a real eastern team can do.

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## Help, Help, Alumni

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would you please notify the Editor. We want to make sure that you continue to receive the latest chapter news.

Avenue Winton Pl., Cincinnati 32, Ohio.

Vernon E. Whitaker '48 — 129 Camellia Drive, Birmingham, Ala.



## Here's What Your Alpha Delt Alumni Brothers Are Doing

A recent graduate, Alan Brown '50, has just informed us that he has moved from Syracuse to Rochester and is now living at 719 Park Avenue.

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C. Weston (Bill Beck) '27, of 213 Greenwood Avenue, Wyncote, Pa., sends this message:

"My daughter, Susan, was married last September 15, to James Knapp, Jr., of Wyncote. My son, C. Weston, Jr., is now a staff sergeant in the Army, stationed at Camp Stewart, Ga. I have another daughter, 12, at home."

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It will be of interest to the members of the class of 1945, that George E. Ford, Jr., has returned to Navy service and is presently with a submarine group. His current address is USS Corporal (SS 346) FPO, New York City.

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William G. Mitchell '33, former house president, is a sales engineer with Truscon Steel Company in Philadelphia, Pa. His home address is Merion Cricket Club, Haverford, Pa.

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Division manager for the Ohio Power Company, Romaine C. Knapp '25, is a busy man these days. Besides his job as division manager, he is also Trustee for the Ohio Valley Hospital Association; active in the Canton Development Corps, Jefferson County Red Cross, and the Jefferson County Cancer Association. He lives at 414-22nd St., N.W., Canton, Ohio. He has two children, George 22 and Patricia 16.

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If any alumni living in the Akron, Ohio area know the whereabouts of John T. Johnson III '39, we would appreciate this information. Our last report informed us that he was working for Roadway Express, Inc., in the credit and collections department, but we have lost track of him since then.

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From Hinsdale, Illinois comes the news that John W. Marshall '34, of 115 East Walnut St., has two chil-

dren, Sidney 8, and Mary 5.

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President of the A. S. Harrison Company, Aldrich S. Harrison '17, commutes from New York City every day to his home in Southport, Conn., where he lives with his wife, the former Florence Ellis.

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The General Electric branch in Springfield, Mass., employs the talents of John W. Rogers '37, who is a sales engineer there. John and wife, Nancy, have two children—John, Jr., 6, and Rebecca, 4. They are living at 350 Maple Rd, Longmeadow, Mass.

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The famous Drake Hotel in Chicago owes part of its efficient personnel management to Edwin L. Brashers '45, who has been assistant personnel manager since he graduated from Cornell. It will be remembered that Ed married Diana Phillips, Wells College, in 1947. They are the parents of one child.

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Last we heard from Ray Tuttle '48, he was a chemical engineer with Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., and lived in Library, Pa. Since then we haven't heard from him. Can anyone tell us where he is?

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Plant superintendent for Proctor and Gamble Mfg. Co., Robert R. Thompson '34, lives at 18 Downing St., Hingham, Mass.

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The busy job of traffic engineer for the New York Telephone Company engrosses a good deal of Henry G. Warnick's ('24) time, but he still manages to spend his leisure moments with his wife Margaret and their three daughters, Jane 16, Margaret 11, and Susan 6. The Warnick's live at 52 Holls Terrace, South, Yonkers.

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On the inactive Navy reserve, former Lieutenant Commander, William T. Cole '40, is a manufacturer. His firm, the Canton Malleable Iron Company, is located in Canton, Ohio. Bill and wife, Patricia, live at 1233 Perkins Court, N.W.

Taking life comparatively easy since his retirement, Charles H. H. Blatchford '95, railroad lawyer, with Maine Central R.R. Co., spends his summers in Brownfield, Maine but spends his winters at 15 Clifford Street, Portland 4, Maine.

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Secretary and general manager for Burnett Chemical and Supply Company, Harvey T. Skaggs '50, is living at 901 Greenridge Road, Jacksonville, Florida.

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From the Detroit suburb of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, comes news that Charles Bissell Johnson '14, 642 Lincoln Road, is president and general manager of Penberthy Injector Co. He is the father of four children: Steven O. 34, Charles B. Jr., 32, H. James 30, and Daniel Lee 28.

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Charles D. Cornwell '47, 5100-25th Road, N., Arlington, Va., has finished his graduate work at Harvard University. "Dan" will long be remembered as an excellent scholar. He made Phi Beta Kappa while studying chemistry here at Cornell.

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### Initiation Ceremony

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Young '28, and J. P. Young '94.

Friday afternoon and night the pledges studied and the Alumni arrived. Saturday morning President Ted Booth called the Corporation Meeting to order, the minutes of which were later sent to all Alumni. In the afternoon there was a trustees meeting, and inquisition of the neophytes by the board. The formal initiation ceremonies took place in the Lodge that night after which there was a cocktail party and the formal banquet.

#### Thanks for Coming

The Chapter greatly appreciates those Alumni who were able to return and take part in the ceremonies and it is hoped in the future with the shortened initiation that many more will be able to get back.