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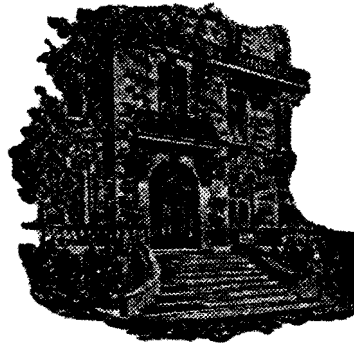
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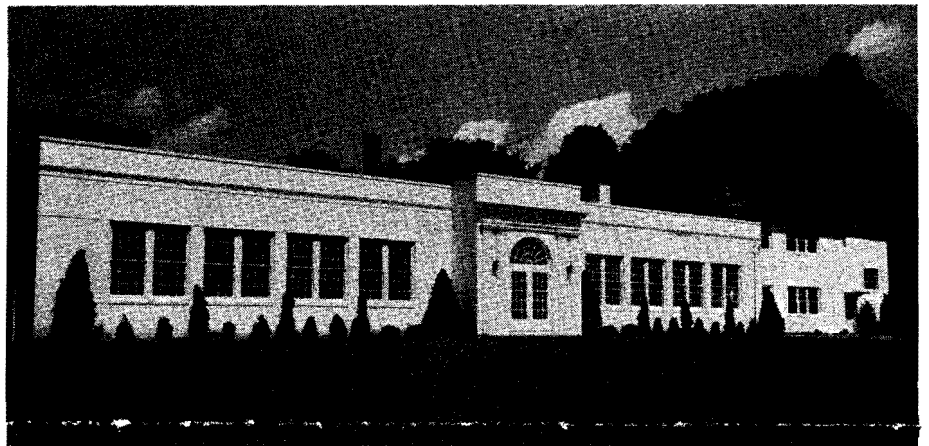
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BRYANT COLLEGE IN 1946

It is in deep humility that we acknowledge, and apologize for, an error in the March issue of the Alumni Bulletin. And yet, we are GLAD IT WAS AN ERROR. In the former issue, we listed among the deaths of Bryant graduates that of Lt. Henry L. Babcock, '40. We even had a gold star beside Henry's name on the Roll of Honor honoring Bryant men and women who were in Service in World War II. How this error occurred we cannot explain. We tried to be very, very careful about such information, never printing it until we felt sure it was correct, but this one slipped past us. For the grief we may have caused Henry's friends who read the error, we are truly sorry: for the fact that it was an Error, we are truly very, very glad.

Apropos of the difficulty of keeping track of all reports about the whereabouts of Bryant men and women during the War, and our efforts to check carefully all rumors, we recall an incident that made us almost believe in ghosts. Word came to the Editor of your Bulletin, and from a very reliable source—a member of the faculty—that two of our Bryant alumni had been killed in action. One of the two was Eugene Schmidt, '41. Despite the reliability of the source of our information, we started to check. We disliked sending an inquiry direct to the families of these two men. If it were not true, it would possibly alarm them; if it were true, it would rekindle a sorrow. So your Editor wrote to the President of the Chambers of Commerce of the cities in which these two men lived, explaining the importance of accuracy and why we were appealing to them. About a half hour after the letter was written, the Editor looked up from her picking-and-finding to see standing in the doorway what *seemed* to be Gene Schmidt or a very reasonable facsimile. Out of the chair she bounded, to clasp the hand outstretched to her, a very alive, very unghost-like hand. It *was* Gene Schmidt.



MEMORIAL HALL, (before landscaping) the newest Bryant College Building

Bryant College opened its 84th year on September 9, and few of the old alumni would know their alma mater as it is today.

In normal pre-war days, Bryant's enrollment was limited to 600, with men and women students about evenly divided. During World War II, the enrollment did not drop as much as at most colleges throughout the country, but there was a large majority of Co-Eds registered. The girls in those days, with most of the men called to Service, found it necessary to invite Servicemen from the nearby camps whenever they wanted dancing partners for the social affairs of the College.

Today there are 1500 men and women enrolled at Bryant and there is a long waiting list. Men now outnumber the young women three to one. Many of the men students of today are ex-Servicemen, a number of them former Bryant students who left Bryant for the Service before they could finish their course.

To meet the greatly increased enrollment, every available bit of classroom space is being utilized. Gardner Hall, for instance, which was formerly

used only in part, and chiefly by Teacher-Training students, now uses every one of the classrooms every period.

In addition, a beautiful new, modern building has been added. This new building, named Memorial Hall, in honor of Bryant men and women in the Service in World Wars I and II, is located on Charles Field Street, between Harriett Hall and Eldridge Hall. This new building accomodates about two hundred students every period. Many classes now begin at 8:30, and others run late.

Even the cafeteria is crowded, lunchers overflow into almost every inch of the Auditorium. The Faculty, too, is greatly increased—three times as many instructors as in pre-war days. It would take an entire issue of the Bulletin to list the new members of the Faculty. Many of the instructors alumni had when they attended Bryant are still here, including Deans Gulski and Mercier, Profs. Vinal, Handy, Richards, Lambert, Miss Dorothy Hines. Several of the new members of the teaching staff are former Bryant graduates of the Teacher-Training di-

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WEDDING BELLS

Marjorie Hodgson, '42, is now Mrs. John R. Hartley of Fall River. She was an early Spring bride.

Pauline Fournier, '45, is one of the most recent of Bryant brides. Even as this issue of the Bulletin is being written, Pauline is being married and off to a honeymoon with her very new husband, Thomas L. Pothier.

Roger B. Gaioni, '42, said "I do", at St. Anthony's Church, Providence, on June 22nd, when he took the attractive Miss Elizabeth Loftus for his bride.

Edna Calcagni, '43, was an early September bride, when she was married to Mr. Marion P. Hayden of Providence. Mr. and Mrs. Hayden will live in Wilmington, Delaware.

Barabara Doige, '43, was an early Spring bride. She is now Mrs. Milton F. Griffin, of Denison, Texas.

Yeoman 3c Hope B. Abrams, '43, was married at a pretty ceremony at the Biltmore Hotel in March to Mr. Benjamin Mellion of Pawtucket.

Madelyn McOsker, '43, became Mrs. John F. O'Connor of Chicago, Illinois, in April.

Hymen was certainly busy among Bryant alumni in April. Still another Bryant alumna "got her man" that month. Helen Koppelman, '43, was the central figure of a beautiful ceremony in the Churchill House, where she was married to Marcus S. Handler, of Edgewood, on April 7.

That class of '43 must have had "something". Another graduate of that year, Mary Hope Jennings promised to "love, honor and obey" Lt. Leonard W. Ricketson, USMM, in Auburn, in a pretty ceremony in the Spring.

And Claire M. Thornley, another alumna of '43, (if this keeps up we'll need a special Marriage issue of this Bulletin just for the class of 1943) was married in March to Martin J. Kaufman, R.I.S.C. alumnus.

Even the men of '43 were not immune apparently. Sgt. J. Wakeman Jennings, Jr., was married late in March to Miss Marie P. Sullivan. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings are living in Providence, where Wakeman has an excellent position with the Gilbane Construction Co.

Now and then a Bryant alumna of another year got in on those wedding bells. Bernice A. Quinn, '41, was married in April to Platoon Sgt. Marcus C. Smith, of Lakeland, Florida.

Elizabeth Lee, '46, was married in her native Jamaica, British West Indies, a few months ago.

Everett C. Wilcox, '38, led Miss Priscilla Corey to the altar in March.

Yeoman 3c Ruth M. Kessell, '44, was married in March to Chief Yeoman Paul A. Reeves of Ogden, Utah. Both bride and groom are attached to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, D. C.

Rudolph A. Bigda, '35, became a bridegroom in June, when he was married to Miss Josephine Baginski of Holyoke, Mass.

Olga Anasovich, '40, is now Mrs. William F. Ablondi of Seymour, Connecticut.

Frank A. Tucker, '43, married Miss Joyce Watson, at a pretty church wedding in Taunton, Massachusetts in June.

Annette I. Guillemette, '32, and former Bursar of Bryant College, exchanged marriage vows with Paul L. Savoie, '31, in July, following Lt. Savoie's discharge from the army. Mrs. Savoie has relinquished her post at Bryant, and is trying domestic life. She and Mr. Savoie are making their home in Pawtucket.

Nicholas Coracci, '42, is honeymooning—or was when this issue of the Bulletin went to press—in Canada with the new Mrs. Coracci. Many Bryant alumni know the bride through her visits here to college social affairs while Nick was a student here. As for Nick himself, few if any Bryant men ever exceeded him in popularity. He was prominent in many of the extra-curricular activities of the College, to which his contribution was so valuable that a special Award was given at Commencement. During the war, Nick was Master Sergeant attached to Headquarters, Third United States Army. After the honeymoon, Mr. and Mrs. Coracci will live in Connecticut, where Mr. Coracci has resumed teaching since his return from the service.

Virginia Campbell, C.T.T. '43, is now Mrs. Earl R. Cathers, she was an April bride.

Winston Harris, '43, went out of circulation in April when he became the Mister of the new partnership, Mr. and Mrs. Winston Harris. Mrs. Harris is the former Beatrice Hope Ivers.

Toby Jacobson, '44, is another who has joined the ranks of the married. Toby is now Mrs. Erwin Adler, and is living in Burlington, Vermont. Many of Toby's classmates will know Mr. Adler better as "Dude". He was a fre-

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The Grim Reaper dealt Bryant College a severe blow in May, when Everett Salisbury, '83, died suddenly at his home in Providence. Mr. Salisbury was not only one of Bryant's oldest alumni, but one of its most affectionately held. For many years he was President of the Bryant Alumni Association and was a familiar figure at alumni reunions and many other happenings at the College.

Several years ago Bryant honored its Alumni President by giving him the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in Business Administration. In 1938, Bryant again honored Mr. Salisbury by giving his name to one of the new dormitories for young women students, Salisbury Hall, and thereafter Mr. Salisbury took especial interest in that House, keeping it supplied always with the leading magazines and doing many other kind things for the residents of that Hall.

Dr. Salisbury was 80 years old when he died. He had been connected with Atlantic Mills since 1884, rising from clerk to Resident Manager.

Bryant alumni who were fortunate to know him personally—and their name is legion—will remember him as a keen, alert personality, with a sweetness of nature and kindness of manner that endeared him to everyone. He will be sadly missed.

Another severe blow our College had since the last issue of the Alumni Bulletin was the death of Frank M. Adams, Jr., '41, who died at Wallum Lake after residence there for several years. Of fine, sturdy character and most likeable personality, Frank was one of the most popular men of his class, and alumni of 1941, feel keenly the tragedy of this fine young man cut off at the outset of life.

Emerson E. Pease, another Bryant alumnus of many years, died June 20. He was 85 years old and for many years had been President and Treasurer of the Leander F. Pease canvas and sail-making company in Providence. He went to work for his father, with that company, after graduation from Bryant, making an enviable record during the War making canvas and leather gun covers for the Army. His home was in Barrington.

Mrs. Helena Sullivan, '28, died July 15. Mrs. Sullivan was a native of Newport and was secretary of the Governor Francis Farms, Inc., of Warwick.

WHERE THEY ARE NOW

Bryant's most recent alumni, graduates of 1946, will be interested to know the whereabouts of their classmates.

Frauces Alfano is with the Carr Manufacturing Company in her native Bristol, Rhode Island.

Matilda Andrews is with Remington Rand Company.

Clara Barrowman is with the Chamber of Commerce, Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Victoria Bedrossian is with the R. U. Lynch Company.

Sally Baker is with the Walker Electric Co.

Jeannette Belanger is with Dr. Henry Filton.

Robert Birt is teaching English at Bryant College.

Eileen Bonner is with Devine Milk Laboratory.

Jeanne Brennan is with the Evans Case Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Alice Buonacorsi is with Whalen Jewelry Co.

Mary Caccia is with the J. J. Moore Company.

Mary Capone is with J. & C. Corrugated Box Co., Fall River.

Marie Chilli is with Balfour Company, Attleboro.

Edward Caspar is with Rex & Fielding, Certified Public Accountants.

Marie Clegg is with Barlow & Barlow, attorneys.

Jane Cogswell is with the Providence Paper Company.

Ethel Cohen is with the Jewish Centre.

Gilbert Coroa is with Kay, Jewelers, New Bedford.

Shiela Curran is with Cooper & Sisson.

Barbara Denardo is at Brown University.

Mary Dederian is with Providence Wholesale Drug Co.

Colette Dickey is with Hogan & Hogan, attorneys.

Jean Drosd is with the Rhode Island School of Design Museum.

Eileen Dubin is working for her father.

Joyce Finney is with the Max Pollock Company, Groton, Connecticut.

Barbara Eberle is with H. L. Hirsch Co.

Gloria Goodloff is with Ward Fisher Company, Certified Public Accountants.

Dorothy Gordon is with Powers & Powers, attorneys, Taunton, Massachusetts.

Lucille Gossell is teaching at Bryant College.

Marion Grant is with the Providence Paper Company.

Ann Flynn is Secretary to the Very Reverend Father Galliher, Providence College.

Helen Flynn is teaching at Lockwood High School, Warwick, Rhode Island.

Ruth Formal is at Brown University.

Frances Gawek is with Comery, Davidson & Jacobson, Certified Public Accountants.

Pearl Hajian is with the Rhode Island Hospital.

Barbara Hargreaves is with the Mutual Auto Insurance Co.

Pauline Holman is with Robert Gair Company, New London.

Emily Horsman is with Priscilla Worsted Mills.

Pauline Horvitz is with the Jewish Centre.

Arline Johnson is with the Addressograph Multigraph Co.

Gloria E. Johnson is with Mr. Ralph Greenlaw, attorney.

Gloria Johnson is working for her father.

George Kane is with Kay's Newport.

Dorothy King is with the Milk Producers Association, Fall River.

Anahid Karentz is with Mr. Harvey Flint.

Marilyn La France is with General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Jean La Vigne is with Berkshire Fine Spinning Co.

Gilberte Lemieux is with Rotelli Company.

Enid Tai Ten Quee is with Canadian Bank of Commerce, Jamaica, British West Indies.

Jack Levy is with Samuel Gereboff, Certified Public Accountants.

Clara Lewis is working for her father.

James McGovern is with the Narragansett Hotel Garage.

Evelyn Loomis is with General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Robert Manchester is with the American Bitumuls Company.

Helen Lorden is with Scott Testers, Inc.

Myrna Marcus is with the Charles V. Chapin Hospital.

Mary Matrullo is with National Tool & Finding Co.

Catherine Mazzarelli is teaching at Smithfield High School, Esmond.

Berthe Methot is with the Nonquitt Mills, New Bedford, Massachusetts.

Elsie Miller is with Barclay Company.

Gloria Mocarsky is with the H. J. Heinz Company, Hartford, Connecticut.

Mildred Moore is with the Hubbard Agency, Middlebury, Vermont.

Sonia Nissenbaum is with General Electric Company, Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Louise Oldrid is at Brown University.

Dorothy Olter is with the Southern New England Telephone Company, New Britain, Conn.

Marie Pardi is with Hauson & Lapham.

Dolores Perry is with Bliss Brothers, Attleboro.

Marie Petro is with Hampon Mintie & Abbott, Waterbury.

Elizabeth Lee is with Bank of Nova Scotia, Jamaica, British West Indies.

Elena Pilloni is with Rhode Island Hospital.

Natalie Pino is Secretary at School of Nursing, of the Hartford Hospital.

Marion Pothier is teaching at New Milford High School, Conn.

Nicholas Pintavalli is with General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Mary Rabbott is with Transcontinental and Western Airways.

Shirley Robertson is at Bates College, Maine.

Florence Rosen is with Miriam Hospital.

Shiela Ross is with the Taylor Box Company, Providence.

Margherite Sasso is with Zoning Office, City Hall, Providence.

Shirley Shuster is with Aaron S. Helford, attorney.

Olga Shemet is with WSAR, Fall River, Mass.

Betty Skirrow is with General Electric Company, Providence.

Janet Stearns is with Advertisers Engravers Co.

Dorothy Stewart is at Bryant College.

Mildred Valenta is with the Radio broadcasting division of General Electric, Schenectady, N. Y.

Joan Todd is in the Tax Department of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company.

Betty Tomlinson is with Pratt Whitney Aircraft, Hartford.

Marjorie Travis is secretary to the Superintendent of Schools, Dighton, Mass.

Rita Trinquier is with WPRO, Providence.

Mary Tsonos is with Remington Rand Company, Providence.

Celia Tudino is with Kay, Jewelers.

Vivian Thurston is with Mr. Hoff, Certified Public Accountant, Newport.

Mary Vales is with the Kleistone Rubber Company, Warren, Rhode Island.

Marjorie Vaughn is with Providence Wholesale Drug.

Edwilda Wodcik is with the Davol Rubber Company.

Virginia Woodruff is at Smith College, Northampton, Mass.

Ruth Wrigley is with Transcontinental & Western Airways.

Marjorie Wyllie is with the American Mathematical Review, associated with Brown University.

Charles Clayton is with the Industrial Trust Co.

Henry DeAngelus is with Anthony Corrado, Inc.

Lorraine England plans to enter the Convent. Ed Clegg has entered Providence College for an advanced law course.

Natalie Cohen, Anne Turner and Constance Astbury are planning early marriage and Elizabeth Lee is already a bride.

Grace Boelens and Roslyn Ingber have moved to California or are planning to do so in the near future.

Many of the other graduates are doubtless working but have not reported to the Placement Bureau about the results of interviews planned for them.

Carmella Gizzarelli has returned to Bryant to take the Teacher-Training course.

Zelma Cohen, Mary Conway, Paul Corrich, and Alice Tetreault are others who are back at Bryant this term.

CENSUS CHANGES

That habitual smile of Dean Nelson Gulski is broader than ever these days, for another little bundle from Heaven has come to brighten the Gulski home. To celebrate Commencement, Mr. and Mrs. Gulski welcomed their third daughter, Kathleen.

"Bob" Blake, '42, now on the administrative staff of Bryant, is a proud pappy since the last issue of the Alumni Bulletin. It's a boy—Robert Harwood, three and a half months old.

James Walsh, '42, now a member of the Bryant faculty, is another who at the drop of a hat will bring out pictures of the newest member of the Walsh family, James, Jr., now about ten months old.

A distinct loss to Bryant was the resignation in August of Mr. F. Newton Hayes, Dean of Ex-Service students, who left to become Dean of Admissions of the recently opened Associated Colleges of Upper New York, at Plattsburg. Mr. Hayes was an esteemed and valued member of the administrative staff and will be missed by the college staff and many G. I.'s.

HERE AND THERE WITH BRYANT ALUMNI

In a very welcome note expressing her enthusiastic reception of the last issue of the Alumni Bulletin, Elizabeth Lithwin Carpenter, '34, tells us that she is engaged in very interesting work with the State Police Department of Hartford, Connecticut. The former Miss Lithwin says she has been married a long time with a son just turned 11 years ("which dates me as old stuff", she comments). "I was so engrossed in reading all about my classmates and former instructors in the Alumni Bulletin," she continues, "that it was like clapping the hands of old friends."

Walter B. Knutton, '29, is now with the J. E. Welsh Company.

Frances L. Hewson, '36, is with the Cleveland office of the Research Institute of America as Division Secretary, according to an interesting note from her "just to say 'Hello'", as she puts it. Frances is now Mrs. Verne S. Lowrey and is living in Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mafalda Ruta, '38, is now Mrs. De Luca and has come to Rhode Island—Newport to be specific—to live.

Lt. Col. Henry J. Lee, on leave of absence from the Bryant faculty during and since the war, was appointed in March deputy controller of the European regional office of UNRRA. Col. Lee's headquarters are in London. He is the world's worst correspondent, but now and then a brief note of greeting—intended for all his friends on the faculty and administrative staff, arrives to say "Hello" and bring one of those chuckles for which the writer is famous.

William J. Jordan, '37, is now with the Cranston contact office of the Veterans' Administration. Bill himself is a veteran of five years, 18 months with the Air Corps in the India-Burma theatres.

Thomas P. Moran, '28, is now Deputy City Budget Director of Providence.

Mrs. Raymond Costa, the former Miss Josephine Krupa instructor in Typewriting at Bryant for a number of years, was a visitor to Bryant in the Spring, accompanied by the older of her offspring, Master Raymond Costa, Jr., aged three. It was after classes, and Master Costa ran animatedly around in a way that his Mama never allowed other little boys to do when she was a schoolma'am here. "You'd never last long at Bryant, young man", she told her son.

Esther Thurman, '34, remembered

by thousands of Bryant alumni as the former very efficient secretary of the Placement Bureau, postcarded from New Mexico in May that she was on her way to California. That girl certainly gets around. One year we hear from her from Florida, another from Bermuda, now from New Mexico. Where next, Esther? Miss Thurman, by the way, has a very interesting position with the American Red Cross in her home town, Wickford, Rhode Island.

Wedding Bells

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frequent visitor to Bryant during Toby's student days here.

Allan Cook, '40, middle-aisled in April when he took for his bride the pretty Roberta Eaton of Cranston, with the wedding breakfast held in the Sheraton Hotel.

Betty Horsmann, '44, is now Mrs. Gordon H. Butler, Jr., and living in Schenectady, where she has a very responsible position in the Electronics division at General Electric. Mr. Butler, too, is with General Electric, an engineer working on airbourne radar equipment.

Eleanor Rosenberg, '45, was another April bride. She was married at that time to Jack Lipnick, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Another bride of that month was Mildred Gutbrodt, '45, formerly of the secretarial staff of Bryant College, who was married to Captain Robert Marshall, Jr., '41.

Vera H. Stenson, '42, and William Gessner, '42, became Mr. and Mrs. William Gessner in 1944 and are living happily everafter. Mr. Gessner is with Haskins & Sells, Certified Public Accountants.

The Bryant College greatly increased office staff includes a number of well-known alumni. Walter Bainton, '32, is now assistant to the Director of Admissions, Mr. E. Gardner Jacobs; Robert Blake, '42, is now Bursar; Dorothy Stewart, '46, is secretary to Mr. John Allan, replacing Florence Park Collier, '36, who has advanced to Assistant to Mr. Allan. Helen McNamara, '44; Julia Stawacki, '45; Lucille Mason, '45; Jane Couchon, '37; Claire Seaton, '44; Mary McDermott, '37; Muriel Martineau, '43 are other Secretaries in South Hall; and Laura Pereira, '45, is Secretary to the Director of Placements.

NEW SPARKLERS

The culmination of another of those Bryant romances will be reached in November when Vera Lindberg, '44, and John Lindia, '46, will be married. The engagement was announced by Miss Lindberg's parents several months ago.

The engagement of Eleanor A. Dolan, '40, to Donald C. Daly, Fordham alumnus, was announced in July by Mrs. Daly.

Miss Ruth Kornstein, pretty Pembroke alumna, was wearing a beautiful new sparkler in March, placed upon her finger by Leslie August, '39. Mr. August, recently discharged from the Service, was President of Sigma Lambda Pi during his days at Bryant.

Marie Teigue, C.T.T. '43, and John Renza, C.T.T. '43, recently announced their engagement. Mr. Renza is now a member of the Bryant faculty.

Agnes V. M. Giblin, '35, of the faculty of North Providence High School, is now betrothed to Andrew C. Viglione of Melrose Park, Ill.

Lillian G. Trudell, '43, is trousseauing. Her engagement to Mr. Thomas B. Pavone, of East Elmhurst, New York, and Central Islip, L. I. was recently announced.

June Vogel, '44, is the daughter of a doctor and will be the bride of another. Miss Vogel's engagement to Dr. Murray Rapoport of Dorchester was recently announced by Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Vogel, her parents.

Shirley E. Poyas, '39, recently discharged from the Service, is engaged to Mr. Howard N. Barks of Northampton, Massachusetts, according to a recent announcement by her parents.

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vision of the College—Mary Walsh, '44; Alice Hines, '41; Emilia Bucolo, '44; Lucille Gotsell, '46; Esther Tew, '30; Curtis Dickenman, '41; James Walsh, '42; Leger Morrison, '43; Robert Birt, '46; Georges Bockstael, '39; Lee Weaver, '41.

One very welcome return to the Faculty this year is F. Douglas Hammond, who was recently discharged from the Service, and is a very welcome sight about the campus.

Housing facilities for the great number of G. I.'s now enrolled at the College were met, with far less difficulty than many colleges have experienced. Most of the men are housed in college-approved homes in the vicinity of the College; the young women in the six capacity-filled dormitories.