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## A SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY

MARGARET MORTENSON LANDON, '25

*I have spent a thousand millions,  
Seen the wastes of Samarkand,  
Walked the storied streets of Paris,  
Known Hawaii's golden strand.*

*I have built a hundred cities,  
Every one without a shum,  
Filled with new and gracious houses  
Where the homeless poor may come.*

*I have lived in gracious mansions,  
Owned a park replete with rooks,  
Paintings by the greatest masters,  
And a thousand thousand books.*

*I have built a score of churches,  
Gray stone schools on hill and dale,  
Erudite and draped with ivy,  
All like Oxford, Jena, Yale.*

*Life is rich and grand and spacious  
From the millions I have spent.  
And all this has been accomplished  
Without effort or a cent.*

It was sixteen years since I first visited Wheaton. That first day is very clearly printed on my memory. It was raining. One ancient hack stood at the station, black, astonishingly high, and astonishingly short—a museum piece really. The campus was a hayfield. Am I right in remembering a cow grazing? It was vacation and the buildings without students were incredibly dingy. A red-headed janitor swept and sang. Footsteps echoed uncompromisingly. On a blackboard near the bookstore was an elaborate chalk whirl ending in a dot, which bore the legend, "Do not spit here."

The Dorm smelled of kerosene. The reception rooms were drab, and the dining room unrelievedly ugly. There was one pinpoint of light. Two students, who had not gone home for vacation, consented to show us their rooms. Their suite was cheerful and homelike after the rest of the building, and the two students themselves were charming and friendly.

Then, as now, it was the students who made Wheaton. It is their youth, their intelligence, their vigor, their alertness, the potential power for good which they represent, that attracts the visitor. I had lunch at the new dorm recently. A student waited on us, a young man, I haven't any idea who. He was courteous and helpful, with that clear-eyed look, that astonishing cleanliness which one sees on many faces at Wheaton. I kept thinking of the beautiful cutting cleanliness of surgical instruments. One sees so many faces where "the contagion of the world's slow stain" has rusted out the look of being washed within. It does not seem strange that Wheaton students are doing well in graduate schools everywhere.

But I was in Wheaton many times last fall before I ventured up onto the campus, for the campus was peopled with many ghosts and I felt disinclined to stir the dead leaves of memory. I did go to several football games, though. Shades of Jim Wolstenholme! Will Wheaton

ever have another like him? He walked straight out of the pages of a Ralph Henry Barbour story. I think we always felt a little like apologizing to Jim. He was so good, so very good! We all felt sorry that at Wheaton he could not have the lovely tinsely fame that newspapers confer on football heroes in the larger schools.

And Aels meant Elizabeth Evans reading her essay on "The Sonnets for the Portuguese." And I can't go up on the sloping cement porch of the Dorm without seeing Billie Jones—Adrienne Jones—her dark curly head weaving in and out of a game of Farmer in the Dell one rainy evening when we all reverted to our childhood. I see her delicate, clear-cut face lifted in laughter. She was a senior then, and next year, incredibly, she was dead. It seemed unbelievable to all of us that anyone so pulsingly alive, so full of laughter and gayety, so somehow shining, could have ceased to be.

Finally I did get around to going back. I saw the old Chapel, which is now a part of the Library. And went up in the Dorm to the room where the two students had been kind sixteen years before—I roomed with one of them my freshman and sophomore years—and thought of my first night in college when my new roommate and I breathlessly hauled up a pint of ice-cream on a string right past the Dean's window. Trum Howard, who furnished the ice-cream, could just as well have rung the bell and handed the ice-cream to us, but it was much more exciting the other way. Suppose we had plopped the whole carton against Mrs. Garlough's window! Delicious thought!

Then my ghosts and my dreams got all mixed up. I spent several millions on the campus in the space of an hour or so while I walked about and saw what had been done and what was yet to be done. I built a half a dozen dormitories to make a quadrangle on the block where the Academy stands. I built a new Infirmary, since my dorms had crowded the present one off the block. The present one, incidentally, is excellent. I know this from more than hearsay, since my husband spent Christmas week there. Soft green walls, pleasant furniture, comfortable beds, quiet, trained nurses, good food on dainty trays. Shades of those boiled potatoes at the Dorm! I wonder if anyone else remembers being sick and having her room-mate bring up what could be foraged. Ugh!

And then I built a library, a big capacious one. And a gym for the crowds that would have liked to see the North Central game. It was a good game, and would have been even if we had not won. We did, though, 45—40. And then I bought a whole block of property and built a new Academy. The Academy has more than a hundred students now. I moved them all into big airy rooms in an up-to-date building with laboratories, a gym of their own, and dormitories of their own, too. And I turned the Practice School into an experimental school, Wheaton College Elementary School, no less, where the Education department and the Religious Education department could experiment and practice. I visioned a school as good as the Elementary School of the University of Chicago,

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## Washington Banquet in Chicago

The annual Washington banquet will be held this year in Chicago, at the Stevens Hotel, on Tuesday evening, February 22, at 7 o'clock. All alumni in Chicago and vicinity are urged to attend, for this dinner not only marks the annual tribute to Washington, but formally inaugurates our own campaign to raise \$200,000 for the proposed Auditorium-Physical Education Building.

Chief speaker at the banquet will be William J. Cameron of Dearborn, Michigan, executive of the Ford Motor Company and a well-known Christian leader. The greetings to the alumni will be given by Torrey M. Johnson, '30. The college musical organizations will appear. The program will be broadcast from 8:30 to 9:00 p. m., C.S.T., over Station WIND (560 kc.), thus allowing the alumni who are gathered at dinners throughout the country to join in with us.

Invitations for the Chicago dinner were mailed on February 1st to all graduates and former students of record in this area. If you failed to get one, overlook the unintended slight, and plan to come anyway. Reservations should be made at once, and sent to Torrey M. Johnson, Room 909, 111 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, accompanied by check or money order (Dinner, \$1.75 per plate).

This promises to be one of the greatest evenings in Wheaton's history. There will be room for all in the Stevens banquet hall (Capacity, 1500). Come and enjoy a wonderful evening of fellowship.

## Detroit to Organize

On December 28th a group of Alumni, friends and students met at the home of Rev. Alvin Morris, '32, in Detroit, Michigan, at which time plans were discussed for organizing a Wheaton Club of Detroit and vicinity. A meeting will be held this coming Spring to definitely formulate arrangements for a Wheaton Club. Ruth Skemp, '32, was chosen secretary pro-tem.

An informal program was presided over by Rev. Alvin Morris. Impromptu were offered by Thomas Lindsay and Barbara Boyes from the class of '38, Rev. Louis Hoffman, '33, Miriam (Barber) Morris, ex-'34, and Kenneth Wanless, '37. Musical selections were given by Florence Schmid, ex-'40.

Any alumni or friends in Detroit or its vicinity, who are interested in joining a Wheaton Club may get in touch with Rev. Alvin Morris, 12111 Mendota Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

The St. Louis Club held its mid-winter meeting on January 10. They made plans for five concerts of the Men's Glee Club in the St. Louis section.

Willard Eldon Gearhart, 15 month old son of Marguerite Brokaw Gearhart, '28, and the late Eldon D. Gearhart, died suddenly on January 19.

Richard Lee Brushwyler, 4 year 8 month old son of Rev. Vincent, '29, and Nannie, '30, (Kjelstad) Brushwyler, died very suddenly at about midnight, Sunday, January 23, in Newark, New Jersey. The burial was in Chicago, with Dr. Charles Koller officiating, assisted by Rev. Torrey Johnson, '30.

# CAMPAIGN FLASHES

## NEW ENGLAND

New England alumni are actively lining up for the fund-raising effort, according to reports from the district conference which was held at the Bellevue Hotel, Boston, Friday evening, January 14. Present were Miss Kathryn M. Evans, '29, Massachusetts chairman; Rev. William Green, '31, chairman for Boston; Mrs. Mary Sears Childs, '29, of Pittsfield, and her husband, Rev. W. Hobart Childs; A. Irvine Pett, '31, of Providence, Rhode Island chairman; and Miss Virginia E. Swanson, '36, of Proctor, Vermont chairman. Miss Geraldine Williams, '34, of West Paris, Maine, state chairman, wired regrets. The need for funds and the college's plans were outlined by President Buswell.

## PHILADELPHIA

President Buswell was the chief speaker and guest-of-honor at the conference of Eastern Pennsylvania alumni held at the Robert Morris Hotel, Philadelphia, January 15. Reverend George Ferris, '32, of Media, chairman for that district, presided and Ralph Corbin, '29, chairman for the eastern division, in a splendid talk paid great tribute to the training he had received at Wheaton. Plans were announced for a large alumni dinner on February 22 to inaugurate the alumni campaign in that area. Local alumni chairmen present at the luncheon included Rev. Robert L. Carlberg, '32, Allentown; Rev. Franklin S. Dyrness, '27, Lancaster; Rev. Oliver M. Hurst, '33, Philadelphia; Rev. George W. L. Moody, '32, Northumberland; and Robert J. Rosenkrance, '27, West Pittston; Rev. Clarence E. Mason, Jr., '24, Atlantic City; and a representative of Millard C. Cleveland, '35, chairman for Princeton.

## WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Western Pennsylvania grads are being rounded up for service in the alumni campaign by Miss Mary Troutman, '37, of Butler, who has as aides, Charles E. Finney, '32, of Erie, and Reverend Theodore Carlberg, '30, of Pittsburgh. Alumni in this region are planning on joining the Buffalo or Cleveland alumni at their Washington Day dinners.

## CHICAGO

The Chicago district was the first to complete its organization for the Consolidation Fund campaign and to hold its district conference, which it did on January 5 at the Great Northern Hotel. The Chicago district, incidentally, is tops in the number of alumni officially listed, with 263, or one more than the Wheaton district. George S. Sharpe, '30, Chicago district chairman, presided at the luncheon, and Dr. Franklin Olson, '30, welcomed the group. Vice President Kirk told of the College's need for funds. Norman Lilja, '35, who is responsible for the Chicago city alumni, has for his fellow-chairmen in this district representatives of the following suburbs: Oak Park, Rev. T. Leonard Lewis, '31; Maywood, Ewart Stephenson, '30; Evanston, Miss Jeannette H. Smith, '30; Elmhurst, Clarence C. Rhoads, '30; Villa Park, Rev. John Baergen, '31; Lombard, Carl A. E. Thursell, '30, and Harvey, William E. Bunting, '35.

## WHEATON DISTRICT

Professor Russell Mixer, '28, of Wheaton, has accepted the chairmanship for the Wheaton district in the Consolidation Fund campaign, and has enlisted Foster Oury, '32, to be chairman for the Wheaton city alumni. Other chairmen enlisted by Professor Mixer include the following dependables, each of whom will be responsible for the alumni in his or her community: Mrs. Marita M. Fischer, '31, Glen Ellyn; E. M. Harris, '05, Aurora; Miss Burnwell W. Young, '26, Batavia; Mrs. John F. Fletcher, '23, Elgin; and Ivan Lageschulte, '35, Itasca.

## MISSOURI

Under the skillful and enthusiastic leadership of Rev. Paul L. Stumpf, who lives in Collinsville, Illinois, across the river from St. Louis, the Missouri alumni are being organized for the Consolidation Fund effort. The work will be carried on by the following grads: Rev. Theodore Hinn, '31, and Miss Mary E. Edwards, '24, of St. Louis, Rev. Philip J. Eckhoff, '17, of Iberia, and Rev. Leonard J. Larson, of Kansas City. The local chairmen met for dinner and for official instruction at the Hotel Claridge, St. Louis, Monday evening, January 17. Edward A. Cording, '33, public relations director of the College, represented the College at this event.

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

Dr. David Otis Fuller, '25, pastor of Grand Rapids' Wealthy Street Baptist Church, chairman for the Great Lakes Division, has virtually completed a 100 per cent. organization of the alumni in his division for the campaign. Serving under him as state chairmen are Rev. David E. Gillespie, '27, of Elkhart, Indiana; Stephen A. Partington, '29, of Cedar Spring, Michigan; and Earl C. Helfrick, '29, of Cleveland, Ohio.

## METROPOLITAN NEW YORK

Under the genial chairmanship of G. Weston McGill, '26, of New York City, the alumni chairmen in the metropolitan New York district met for dinner on Saturday evening, January 15, at the Hotel Woodward, Broadway at 55th Street. Dr. Buswell, Ralph Corbin, and Mr. McGill were the chief speakers. The group decided on a large dinner in February to which alumni throughout this area would attend. Among the others in attendance were Dr. James S. Hall, of New York City, an honorary LL. D. of Wheaton; Howard Fuller, '27, of Stony Brook; Rev. Alexander Sauerwein, '26, of Flushing; J. Edward Hakes, '37, of Yonkers; Alfred Stapf (Acad.), chairman for the Northern Jersey district; David Stone, '37, of Bloomfield, N. J.; Kenneth Smith, '37, of Short Hills, N. J.; Mrs. Margaret Smith Lough, '33, of Elizabeth, N. J.; Marion Leach, '30, of Hackensack, N. J.; Rev. Donald C. Graham, '33, of Westfield, N. J.; all of whom are local chairmen in their respective communities.

## CENTRAL NEW YORK

Despite a snowfall that set the record for Central New York, the alumni in that region were represented at an alumni conference in the Second Baptist Church, Auburn, New York, on Monday noon, January 17. After a series of one-minute prayers by the entire group, plans for the campaign were outlined. The group enjoyed a dinner together. Chairman for this area is Rev. William J. Jones, '25, of Cassadaga. The following local chairmen were present: Miss Alice J. Coleman, '33, Binghamton; Carl W. Hoeldtke, '31, Buffalo; Miss Eleanor Loizeaux, '37, Elmira; and Miss Elizabeth Clark, '37, Rochester. Two chairmen were unable to be present, Rev. Paul B. Wagner, '30, of Syracuse, and Melvin R. Morris, '35, of Albany.

## TWIN CITIES

Albert S. O'Brien, '33, of Minneapolis, is to be the chairman for the Minnesota alumni in the Consolidation Fund campaign. Cooperating with him is Murray A. Payne, '35, of St. Cloud, who is heading up the work among the graduates in the Twin Cities.

## WISCONSIN

Wisconsin alumni are being lined up for their part in the forthcoming financial campaign by Rev. Charles F. Baker, '31, of Milwaukee, state chairman. To date the following local chairmen have been appointed: Herman Landes, '31, for Racine, and Ernest L. Hoover, '29, for Wisconsin Rapids.

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and that is very good indeed. Ghosts and dreams. The campus was full of both.

Of course, buildings are always secondary. Dr. Robert M. Hutchins wrote in a recent magazine article: "Education and scholarship can be carried on in ramshackle buildings." I think we all recognize the truth of this. The other facet of this truth is that the efficiency of an institution can be multiplied by good buildings and equipment, provided—and this is the catch—that the school has fulfilled the conditions which make it a good school. Buildings will not cover deficiencies in teaching or poor scholarship. But where a school has teachers of the highest quality and a large number of sincere students, buildings will make the learning and teaching process easier and more pleasurable.

Wheaton has fulfilled these conditions. Years of quiet constructive work have gone into the reorganization of the school. Just in the field of records the improvement is amazing. No more rolls of records under counters, no more precious permanent records in cardboard cases. If you happen to need a transcript twenty years from now, you will be able to get it even if the buildings burn in the meantime. The foundation work, that work of infinite detail, has been well done. It is part of the increased efficiency of the school. The standard of work has been raised, and will be raised further by the new system of comprehensive examinations. And the end is not yet. Wheaton deserves the tremendous influx of new students that has encouraged and embarrassed the administration. It deserves new buildings and better equipment so that it may give these students a better college home and better working conditions. Here's one alumna who hopes that Wheaton gets them.

## New York Dinners

While the alumni of Chicagoland sit down to dinner together at the Stevens Hotel Tuesday evening, February 22, graduates and former students in a score or more of other cities will be gathering for dinners. The following dinners have been definitely arranged:

New York City, Hotel Woodward, 55th and Broadway, to be attended by alumni in Metropolitan New York area, Northern New Jersey, and Connecticut.

Buffalo, New York, Y. W. C. A., 245 North Street, to be attended by alumni of Buffalo, Rochester, Jamestown, and nearby communities. Speaker, Stephen W. Paine, '30.

## SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Responsibility for organizing the 54 alumni who live in Southern Illinois has been undertaken by Rev. Russell Orr, '29, of Quincy. In this district Frank Miller, '36, is chairman for Peoria; Miss Eva Meradith, '27, is chairman for Meadows; Mrs. Ruth McCauley Given, '23, is chairman for Paxton, while Miss Rosalyn Hauter, '37, is Decatur's chairman. The local chairmen met for an organization luncheon on Saturday, January 8, at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel at Springfield.

## IOWA

The 41 Wheaton alumni in Iowa are now fully organized to carry out their duties in the coming financial campaign under the supervision of Rev. George Vouga, '32, of Charles City. The local chairman met with Rev. Vouga at Boone on January 18, and launched their work. Elizabeth Nowack, '30, of Boone, is chairman for that community, and Miss Ruby Laven, '33, is handling the group in her home city of Des Moines. Other chairmen in Iowa are Rev. John Neuenschwander, '29, of Creston; Rev. Harley Henderson, '29, of Ottumwa; Rev. Chester Diehl, '27, of Storm Lake; and Rev. Reveley Hallett, '27, of Conrad, for the Waterloo district.

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## Loyalty

Whether they be members of the class of '97 or '37, there is one thing which is beyond a doubt common to all alumni—the memory of the years spent within the "hallowed portals" of their Alma Mater. During their student days, especially during some stirring time which has gripped them and given them memories which are still precious, they were certain that "Wheaton, Dear Old Wheaton," was just about the grandest place this side of Heaven. Within their own hearts they vowed that some day they would do something for the old Alma Mater.

Sadly, and as is its wont, time has taken its toll. Could a census be taken of the total number of such high resolves which have been born, blossomed, and died, without any manifestations of their ever having been, it would be the cause of much sadness among all alumni. Few, if any, upon the rolls would care to admit that they are not loyal to Wheaton now. It is a grievous fact, as shown by results, that with too many this loyalty has been passive.

Upon the occasion of a Wheaton club reunion, or homecoming, when they sing the "Laureata" or "Alma Mater," the old scenes which have faded from memory through the years come back clearly and sharply. It is during such times that they may best vow a renewal of the allegiance which was to have been everlasting and all-consuming.

With loss of contact with Wheaton have come new claims on their time, thoughts, and energy. A brief period of self-analysis, during which such reconsecrated alumni can rearrange their thinking and plan anew to take up the torch, would lead to several outlets. Wheaton can be remembered in our prayers, our conversations, and in the giving of our means.

There are none who cannot take the first way. As long as we are conscious beings we can pray. Whether it be from beds of pain or in the full vigor of health, the Lord hears and answers prayer. No doubt some large measure of Wheaton's growth is in answer to the prayers of devoted friends and alumni.

Perhaps the reader has come across a person who in his conversation has repeatedly remarked, "At Siwash we did so-and-so," with an obvious motive of impressing his hearers with the fact of his having attended this great place. A natural reaction to this may have served to crowd Wheaton from their conversation for fear of seeming less fortunate. Wheaton has reached a stage where the most exacting may be proud to claim "graduateship." Quite recently some one who had no personal connection was impressed with Wheaton's mission to young people as described by some loyal friend or alumni. Having the means, the hearer gave a large sum of money, and thus, vicariously, the one who lauded Wheaton did it a great service. The present drive for funds uses this method, and it is a good one.

There may be some criticism of the current

campaign. To those who feel apologetic because Wheaton sees fit to raise much-needed funds, using similar business tactics to those employed by other organizations, let it be said: A worthy cause should be presented in the most efficient manner possible to those interested. And surely no alumnus would claim indifference to a school that serves so well "Christ and His Kingdom."

## Chicago Club Banquet

The Wheaton Club of Chicago held its seventh annual banquet at the Stevens Building restaurant on the evening of January 15, 1938. A delicious turkey dinner was served to about eighty-five Wheatonians and friends.

After a brisk session of business, in charge of the president Alfred Engle, '31, Allan Zaun, '32, was called upon as toastmaster and led a very interesting program. Ada Beth Groom accompanied by Ruth Brooks, both Wheaton undergrads, was called upon to render a violin solo. This was followed by some very interesting readings presented by Myrtle Hoffman. Greetings were extended by Torrey Johnson, '30, recalling some of the Wheaton aspirations and other Wheaton reminiscences, and well seasoned with the Johnson good humor.

A dash of color was then added to the program with the presentation of FCFNTU—1948, by Dorothy Blanchard, '31, and Margaret Butcher, '33. The above being interpreted is, Federal Census For Numbering The Unemployed, or a forecast of the future fortunes of various Wheatonians. The next number on the program was a beautiful arrangement of familiar tunes with a friend from Moody Institute at the piano. Natalie Ann Morris Aggers, '30, Douglas Eadie, '36, and Henry Schweinfurth, '31, were then called upon for an important part of the program, the Impromptus.

The main speaker of the evening, Kenneth Gieser, '30, held the group with his topic "The China-Japanese Conflict," and left off with the group wishing for more.

In the business meeting the following were elected to the respective offices:

President—Clarence Rhoads, '30; First Vice President—Janet Fraser Hallet, '28; Second Vice President—Irma Morrison, '30; Third Vice President—Dorothy Blanchard, '31; Recording Secretary—Philip Johnson, '36; Corresponding Secretary—Verna Crofts, '25; Assistant Corresponding Secretaries—Ann Ekings, '35, and Helen Rossing, '34; Treasurer—Norman Lilja, '35.

## New Jersey Reunion

A few alumni living in Northern New Jersey decided to attempt to renew the interest of the alumni living in New Jersey, in the Metropolitan New York alumni association. Accordingly, they made plans for an alumni dinner, which finally materialized. The dinner was held in East Orange, New Jersey, on the evening of December 14th. About forty of the alumni attended, including a few from New York. During the dinner entertainment was provided by Marion Leach and Avery Johnson who sang an impromptu duet. Oscar Lowry led the group in the singing of several college songs.

The program following the dinner was in the form of an "open meeting." Richard Gray and his wife, Emily MacDonald Gray, were chosen chairman and secretary respectively of the meeting. Raymond Lindquist led in devotions, after which a musical number was provided. Weston McGill read an essay on "Wheaton In The Good Old Days" and Mrs. Edward L. Kellogg (Elinor Peterson, '34) gave a humorous reading. Ed. Kellogg was called upon for an impromptu talk which was followed by a debate on the subject, "Resolved That Wheaton College Should Limit Its Enrollment To One Thousand Students." This evolved itself into a couple of family arguments. Charles King and Nicola Johnson Corbin debated one side of the question against Ralph Corbin and Jean Lutz King. Prof. Clark, a new professor at Wheaton, was at the dinner and concluded the program with the latest news of the college.

## Our Support

Wheaton College deserves the support of its Alumni because of what it has given every one of us in the way of a cultural education, a Christian philosophy of life, and spiritual understanding which cannot be over estimated, Torrey Johnson, '30, President of the Alumni Association, declared in his spirited talk at the Seventh Annual Banquet of the Wheaton Club of Chicago.

"Wheaton has given to every one of us Christian culture. It has brought us into contact with great teachers, such as Dr. Higley, Pres. Buswell, Dr. Dow, and Dr. Straw, and by doing so has enriched us greatly," Mr. Johnson said. "We have been associated with students from all over the world, who are now scattered afar. These contacts have added much to our experience. Wheaton has equipped us wonderfully for our life work.

"Wheaton has given us a point of view. When you get away from Wheaton and look back, you see that you have gained convictions which have become imbedded in your character, the appreciation for which grows with the passing of years.

"At Wheaton all of us gained spiritual values which are beyond all estimation. These were gained in the course of study we followed, in the Bible meetings, in the prayer meetings, and in association with one another. Wheaton has been a great influence in leading us and in holding us in the ways of the Lord," he said.

Three-fourths of Wheaton alumni have been graduated in the past fifteen years, Mr. Johnson reminded the guests at the dinner. Consequently, the majority of the graduates are young. In a few years Wheaton will make itself felt. Already, he pointed out, Wheaton graduates are making a remarkable record in business, in the law, the ministry, and elsewhere. Wheaton men in the seminaries are the top students. Here in Chicago, Wheaton men have organized the first club of its kind, the Christian Medical Club of Chicago, to which persons wishing a Christian physician may turn.

"Wheaton is a land-mark among the colleges of America, to which other institutions are looking and patterning after," Mr. Johnson declared in his conclusions. "God is raising up our college to do this thing, to lead others to look to Wheaton as a model."

Mr. Johnson spoke with enthusiasm of the success of the Homecoming Day broadcast, and said that responses were received from listeners in twenty-eight states. He said that there was a demand from Alumni in other countries for broadcasts from short-wave stations so that they might listen in. He urged the support of all in the coming financial campaign, and praised the progress that the Alumni News has made in getting subscribers and in reaching the alumni.

He summarized his remarks by emphasizing the fact that "WHEATON DESERVES OUR SUPPORT because of what she has done for us in the past, what she is doing for young people today, and because of the increasing position of responsibility she can occupy in the future."

## Soccer Team Visits East

The Wheaton Soccer Team made a most successful tour of the East during the Thanksgiving season. At the game at West Chester, Pa., were Stanley Ray, George Ferris, Ida Claypoole, Dit Fenton, Grace Strachan, Marjory Lohne, Robert Hastings, and others. All the alumni attending Princeton were on the sidelines cheering for "Dear Ole Wheaton" at the Princeton game. The whole group, including the team, spent a happy evening after the game at the home of Don and Ruth Sykes Davies. At West Point Gordon Timyan and Lloyd Weimer were loyal supporters, while at Brooklyn at the St. John's University game Alex Sauerwein, Don MacKay, Gordon Gardiner, and Patricia Spears were among the group which cheered Wheaton on to victory. Many friends were also present at the last game, at Oberlin, Ohio.

## Personal Notes

Alumni dinners have been arranged for as follows:

February 12, Baltimore, to be attended by alumni of Maryland and the District of Columbia; Miss Mildred Hearn, '29, chairman; Dr. Merwin A. Stone, associate professor of Bible, speaker.

February 18, Philadelphia, at Van Tassel's Restaurant, 120 S. 13th Street, to be attended by alumni of Eastern Pennsylvania; Oliver W. Hurst, 119 E. Wye Street, Philadelphia, chairman.

February 21, Grand Rapids, Michigan, at Woman's Club, to be attended by alumni in vicinity and by friends of the College; Reverend Richard M. Lewis, chairman; President J. Oliver Buswell, speaker.

Johanna Voget, '35, is working in the office at Dallas Seminary.

Harold Kaltman, '36, and Edith Schindler of Berne, Ind., were married August 29th.

Lois Myers, '35, was transferred to the Business Methods Department of Western Electric Company, Chicago.

Cora Reno, '37, is a graduate fellow in biology, and is assisting in the zoology laboratory at the College.

Miss Josephine Johnson, '37, is also assisting Mrs. Leasor in the Placement Bureau.

Dorothy Waterhouse, '37, George Smoker, '37, and Melvin Suttie, '36, are attending Biblical Seminary in New York.

Ruth Sandridge and Warren Wood, Wheaton, announced their engagement, October 18th.

Nancy Dixon, '37, is assisting in the French Department. She is a graduate fellow in modern languages.

Margaret Sartell, '37, is assisting Doctor Cooke. She is a graduate fellow in Education.

Catherine J. Jones, '23, is at M'Boca Station, Portuguese Congo, under the Christian Alliance Board.

Clara Nelson, '23, is at the Door of Hope Mission, Shanghai, China. She has charge of one hundred and fifty girls. This is the fourth war which she has gone through in China, and she states that the other wars were mere play compared to this one.

Florence M. Gessing, '34, underwent an operation on her foot during the Christmas holidays, at the West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park.

Rev. Robert A. Cook, '34, pastor of the Weston Memorial Baptist Church of Philadelphia, Penn., became the proud father of a nine and a half pound baby girl, October 31st, 1937. Rev. Cook is editor of the Young People's Topics in "Youth Today," Percy Crawford's magazine.

Alvin, '32, and Miriam Barber Morris, ex-'34, are proud parents of a second daughter, Judith.

Caroline Dodd, '35, is studying at Michigan State Normal, Ypsilanti, Michigan, as a graduate student.

A son was born in October to Percy Crawford, '29, Philadelphia, Penna.

Jean Fraser McConchie and family are home on furlough from missionary work in Gold Coast, West Africa.

Virginia Joyce, on October 9th, was married to Mr. Earl Archibald. Mr. Archibald has studied at the Moody Bible Institute and at an engineering school in Chicago. They will make their home at 608 N. Madison Street, Peoria, Ill., where Mr. Archibald is employed.

(The following was received from Jack Hall, '29, Ouahijouya, Soudan, Francais, French West Africa. We wish other missionaries would send in their contributions along the same line, so we can be guided as regards our Broadcast next fall.—Editor's note.)

"We heard the midnight broadcast of Chicago short-wave station W9XF during our breakfast time here, but never receive long-wave broadcasts as much as we long for them. Hence we have no comments to make concerning the Alumni Broadcast, except to say we wish with all our hearts we could have heard it at breakfast time out here. Would it cost too much to have W9XF pick up and convert into short-wave the WMBI Broadcast? Perhaps there are other missionaries with radios who would be glad to listen in, and be blessed."

Rev. J. Kornelsen, on October first, became the pastor of the Bethany Baptist Church near Vesper, Kansas. Mr. Kornelsen formerly served the Strassburg Baptist Church, near Marion, Kansas.

Rev. William H. Schobert, '31, has recently changed pastorates, moving in October from Victor, Iowa, to Jeffers, Minnesota.

Alice M. Reid, '34, has just been appointed to work in a boys' boarding school in Navapur, West Khandesh, India. She left for India in January, 1936, and has just completed her language study.

Dorothy Blanchard, '30, is attending Chicago University doing graduate work in the School of Services Administration. She is also employed by the Salvation Army, as supervisor of case work in the southern district of Chicago. She plans to go into residence at the university in the fall to complete her work on her master's degree.

Miss Genevieve Hinote sailed for Hawaii last September to begin work under the Hawaiian Evangelical Board in the Kelihi Union Church, Honolulu.

Margaret Butcher, '33, is employed as a case worker in the Family Service Bureau of the Salvation Army in Chicago. She is continuing graduate work at Chicago University.

Lucille Hartman, '35, together with her mother, sailed for China in the fall of '36 to join her father. She sends greetings from Yoyang, Hunan, China.

Margaret Toms, '29, went on a Mediterranean Cruise with her mother. She is now in Ashville, N. Carolina.

Miss Marjorie McShane, '00, has gone to Montrose, Pa., to teach Expression, and to head the department of English of the Montrose School for Girls.

Walter, '31, and Grace Girdwood Lindemann, '32, have recently moved to St. Louis, Mo., where Walter is pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

Bryant Kirkland, '35, and Bernice Tanis Kirkland, '34, are beginning their married life in Princeton, N. J., where Bryant will complete his seminary course this year. He has a rural pastorate in Willow Grove, Penn., where they spend their weekends.

Professor Weyer, who formerly taught in Wheaton, is beginning a course at the seminary in Princeton.

Miss Sarena Dunton, '23, witnessed the first Japanese gunfire in the Sino-Japanese battle of Shanghai. She went to China at the beginning of the summer to visit her sister, Ruth Dunton Thomas who, with her two children, lives at Chefoo. Miss Dunton visited coastal cities, ranging from Chefoo on the north to Shanghai five hundred miles to the south. She fled from that city August 13th with one thousand Chinese refugees, just as the Japanese soldiers opened fire on China. She says of China, "The smells and filth are all they say of them, but the people are lovable and worth working with, even though it is a slow process."

During her stay in China she saw several Wheatonites, among them being Lucille and Ella Gernhardt, Elsie Pottinger, Clara Nelson, and Ellen Dodd Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Deaver Lawton, Dorothy Dodd, '32, Shantung, China, have a baby girl.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Bessey Smith announce the engagement of their daughter Jeannette to Norman M. Lumley, of New Castle, England, and Cleveland. Mr. Lumley is associated with the Chicago office of an English insurance company.

Laura Fershee, '35, and Douglas Hursh, '33, were married in Battle Creek, Michigan, June 26th. Dr. and Mrs. Hursh are now living in New Orleans, where Douglas is interning at the Southern Baptist Hospital.

On November 28th, Virginia Ruth was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Crossett, '30, '29, who are serving as missionaries in China.

We recently received news of the marriage of Alburn Gustafson, '30, Dec. 22, 1936. He is teaching in the Mansfield Junior High School, Tucson, Arizona.

Phil and Betty Chamberlain, '33, with their daughter Deborah, aged two, are in a Baptist Church in Meriden, New Hampshire. They didn't hear the alumni broadcast because of a broken alarm clock. They request that we "please send an alarm clock along with the announcement of the next broadcast, especially if it is at the unearthly hour of two A. M."

Lula Mae Comstock, '97, has completed thirty years in the service of the Federal Government, twenty-nine of these have been in the statistical division of the office of education within the Department of the Interior. She likes her work, and though eligible for retirement has no idea of doing so. She writes, "Who says statistics are dry!"

Kenneth A. Amsler, '32, is now pastor of the First Baptist Church, Niles, Ohio. The attendance there has been doubled, and the people are prayerful, expectant, and anxious to see souls brought to Christ.

Mrs. Lillian Bohmlander Rose, '23, whose husband is a Commander in the Navy, will return to Hawaii soon after a stay of several months in the United States.

Ruth Bryant, ex '29, has taken over a farm near Mount Vernon, Ohio. She was happy to have Ruth Truesdell with her a few days before Homecoming.

Mr. Rudolph Danielson and Miss Mary Maluske were married December 18th, 1937. They sailed for Lisbon, Portugal a week later.

At Long Beach, California, January 26th, Richard Whitlock Dickinson was born to Dick, '31, and Helen Whitlock Dickinson, '32.

James Edward Cording, weighing ten pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cording (Ruth James Cording), December 20th.

A daughter, Bethel Horter, was born early in January to Mr. and Mrs. R. Drummond Smith (Bethel Pent, ex '36, of Lansdowne, Penna.).

On New Year's Eve, the engagement of Erna Stevens and Bill Walker (both '35) was announced.

DeWitt Whistler Jayne, '36, instructor in art at Wheaton, is painting murals for the Frost Library.

Frank and Dorothy Lawrence, John Knute and Marjorie Cox Knute, and Clark Evans are ministering in East St. Mary's, Nova Scotia. Frank is interested in forming the Nova Scotia Branch of the Alumni Association and desires all Wheaton Alumni in that vicinity to contact him.

The engagement of Miss Myrtle Hoffman of Chicago and Norman Lilja, '35, was announced on Saturday, January 22nd. Thirty of the couple's friends were entertained at Miss Hoffman's home and were surprised by viewing moving pictures which proclaimed the betrothal.

Avery Johnson, '28, and his wife returned last summer from the Virgin Islands where they had spent a couple of years. They spent the summer in Michigan, and then moved to New Jersey where they are presently living at Rainbow Lakes, near Denville.

Edwin Fisch, '34 is stationed as a missionary under the Scandinavian Alliance Mission in Changan, Shensi, China. God is blessing in their work among the wounded soldiers and war refugees. He thanks for "The Alumni News" which is now being sent as a Gift subscription to any Alumnus on foreign fields who requests us to do so. This must be in the form of a personal written request in order to satisfy postal authorities. Will you not help us in this particular endeavor?

Rev. Peter F. Wall, '25, writes: "We are now associated with the Rev. Milo F. Jamison in his work with the University Bible Church, University Bible Clubs, and the University Bible Centre. It is especially wonderful to take the pure Gospel to our Godless and Christ-denying schools of higher learning. It is grand to work with a man like Mr. Jamison, who will not compromise. Already there are six hundred Bible clubs on the campuses of colleges, universities, junior colleges, high schools, and professional schools."