New Chapel from Hepburn Gardens
ONE of the earliest manifestations of the coming of spring here in Middlebury is the elaborate questionnaire which is submitted to the student body at the conclusion of the chapel service on a morning when the balmiest of breezes entices one to languid thoughts. Its purpose is to determine student opinion upon the world in general and life in Middlebury in particular, and to pad the pages of the Campus. That this consensus is generally negative upon both questions simply illustrates the foolishness of the whole proceeding. It could be completely discounted did it not have entirely unforeseen and unfortunate results of which this article is one.

It appears that Mr. Lee looked over the last questionnaire and found his mind challenged by it to the inquiry: "What is student opinion worth anyway?" Just then I happened to appear in his office and, "passing the buck" in true editorial fashion, he demanded from me an article for the News Letter in answer to his question. Of course, as the victim of such an unprincipled attack, I immediately asserted my independence by demanding in turn of him: "What is it you wish me to say in answer to the question you have propounded?

I'll say what you want me to say, dear sir,

If you'll say what you want me to say, dear sir.

And then the editor replied, "Say anything; the more the better; I have space to fill." And yet I am sure he was trying to treat the question seriously.

So I asked him whether he wanted me to discuss student opinion about the student world, or student opinion about the world in general. And then he hung my pelt gracefully upon both horns of the dilemma. "Discuss both," he said.

It can be granted from the beginning, I am sure, that the student questionnaire is not a true expression of student opinion. It involves no thought. Each person gleefully writes down his neighbor's answer as his own. It is the acme of foolishness and so has no part in this discussion. True student opinion is another matter. As a matter of fact I do not think it differs much in quality and value from opinions formed outside college by mankind in general upon local and world affairs. Both are formed and promulgated in the same way and in both only intelligent, thoughtfully considered opinion is of any value. Everywhere such opinion should be dominant. But in student life it should have a greater chance to
Students are, of course, thinking about all sorts of things. In the routine of class work, if nowhere else, they come in contact with widely diverse opinions about the world and the place of the individual in it. I doubt not that in many “bull sessions” and in much serious thinking which no man reveals to any other, opinions are mulled over and conclusions reached which will have a vital effect upon the lives of those who are talking and thinking, alone and together. This is the only deeply significant student opinion and its development is central to the whole process of education.

Such formation of opinion is of the utmost value directly to the student, indirectly to the college. Formed as it is under the intellectual and emotional stimulus of the college life its effect upon the future life of the college graduate is the best measure of the value of his college to the social structure of American civilization. What it has made of its students, in the formation of their opinions about life, indicates to the world at large the true value of any college. It is in the formation of this type of student opinion that the college should always strive to exert the most wholesome and most deep-seated influence.

I suspect, however, that Mr. Lee, in propping the question to me had primarily in mind the value of student opinion upon college affairs. Do students really have any intelligent idea either of their own need, or of the needs of the college? Do they know how to criticise intelligently the life in which they are involved? Or, is their opinion entirely unintelligent and negligible? Personally, I think it is like any other body of American opinion. It suffers under the same limitations of lack of perspective upon local issues that trouble every community. It is, perhaps, a little more zealous for reform than an older group would be; a little more ready to believe that any change would be an improvement. Nearly every non-fraternal organization in the student body completely revises its constitution every year.

Student opinion is impatient of evils; certain that it knows how to better existing conditions; and eager to take action against them at once. In its eagerness it is somewhat prone to confuse superficial trifles and fundamental essentials and thus to waste much effort. But it has the virtue of uncompromising scorn of ineffectiveness and sham in either teacher or student. One year he may vote for athletic scholarships or the honor system and the following year reverse his decision, depending entirely on a current will-o’-the-wisp argument.

I have, myself, never wholly capitulated to the doctrine once frequently heard among us, that the students of Middlebury College could have anything they wanted hard enough and unanimously enough. But I am certain that in the development of the college to its highest usefulness one of the strongest factors is an earnest attention to the most intelligent and best formulated student opinion whenever it receives expression; and total disregard of the opinions expressed in questionnaires “which bloom in the spring, tra-la!”

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Among the 1932 Questionnaire Answers

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Coming Back to Commencement?

This is a year when everyone seems to be looking around for something that endures, and "Bill" and Marjorie Monroe, in a letter to the class of 1912, suggest one excellent answer to the problem:

"As we write this, American Tel. and Tel. is at 97 and Anaconda Copper is at 5. But memories are still at par and paying dividends. Why not come up to Middlebury for our twentieth reunion and collect some of those dividends? Usually there are some in each class who dread going back because they will meet only those who have gathered in the most sheaves. This year Charlie Schwab says that we are all poor, so we can all come back on the same footing. That is,—unless we can borrow a ride."

Whatever the market may do by Commencement time, it is a pretty safe bet, too, that those beautiful hills and valleys around Middlebury will appear just about as they did in that June when you were graduating, whether you are a member of the class of '82, celebrating your fiftieth anniversary, or a youngster of the class of '27, back for your fifth.

Dr. "Charlie" Shedd of the latter class puts it to his classmates thus: "My purpose in writing you is to see if we can't shed the responsibilities and step back to the good-fellowship of undergraduate existence if only for a few brief days, this June. It will do us a world of good to renew our old acquaintances; it will do your family good to inhale the good Green Mountain air; bring them along by all means!"

Leighton Wade, '22 has whetted the appetites of his classmates for first hand gossip by persuading them to contribute to a class letter and for those who failed to comply with his request for autobiographical notes he has written up some juicy bits on his own responsibility and possibly from his own imagination but it makes good reading and augurs well for the chewing of much fat when the members of 1922 gather on June eleventh.

How it seems thirty-five years after graduation is well expressed by the Reverend Luther A. Brown of the class of 1897: "We have not all been together since we went forth with our sheepskins in 1897 and though we are scattered and may find it hard, I for one feel that we should make an extra effort to come back this year. We shall greatly miss from such a gathering Marcus D. Whitney and John A. Cadwell who have answered the great Roll Call and been discharged from the school of life, but this is all the more reason why we should come together and talk over old days and the days that intervened. What say you, will you make the effort to come?"

In certain other classes that are due for reunions, a great secrecy as to arrangements seems to prevail—perhaps in the hope that a surprise coup may win the McCullough Reunion Cup this year, so we shall say no more about them just now.

The program for the Commencement weekend is mailed to all alumni and alumnae so that there is no need to review that in detail but some of the outdoor events deserve special mention. There will be the opportunity of seeing in action the best baseball team that Middlebury

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AND NOW ITALIAN

If a native of continental Europe "doing" New England were to glance through the Vermont section of his Baedeker and find starred under Middlebury *Famous French, Spanish and German Schools*, the traveler, of a certainty, would evince at least a moderate exclamation of amazement. Through hearsay he had already associated with this unpopulous state huge tracts of pasture land; Green Mountains, of much meaner dimensions than the better known Adirondacks to the west and White Mountains to the east; that famous maple sugar of which cheap imitations may be secured in the better Paris Cafes; a rural section of America to see casually so that he may later refer to it among his list of the "having seen." But *Famous French, Spanish and German Schools*—that would hint of something strikingly cosmopolitan for such a state. Is there no mistake?

Were he to arrive in the middle of the summer to find that he could make himself linguistically at home, and any language but his own prohibited on portions of the campus, his amazement would doubtless shift to a respect and appreciation he had seldom found elsewhere on his travels. We might catch a similar sensation should we suddenly come upon an American College tucked away in the Black Forest or the foothills of the Pyrenees.

The fact that over forty of the States are annually represented in the Middlebury language summer schools is evidence of the wide acceptance. This is furthered by repeated tributes from France, Spain and Germany. The reputation has grown with the increase in size of the schools, and it has long been an ideal of the administration to extend the study to all of the major Romance languages. When Italian is added this summer, the larger part of the ideal will have been realized.

There will be no Italian Villa of the proportions of the Chateau; no Lombardy cypresses will flank a broad lane to the center of the School; Otter Creek will be the local Arno; Lake Dunmore the nearest approach to a Lido. Modestly the colonial Delta Upsilon House will pose as the Casa Italiana, but interest from a number of institutions already assures its success. The structure will house students from all sections of the States, who will specialize in the advanced study of Italian. In keeping with the other schools, all living there will pledge themselves to speak, read, write, think only Italian for six weeks.

American Mercury, Bally Hoo, and The New York Times will be replaced on the library tables by *Il Progresso Italo-Americano*, *Nuovo-Mondo*, and *Notizia*. Down from the walls will come the photographs of Hughes, Dawes, Secretary Hyde, Barton and other D. U. celebrities, down will come the huge chapter plaque; the athletic cups will go into storage, all to be replaced, possibly by a bust of Mussolini, a painting of Fiesole, the Doges' Palace, the Ponte Vecchio, or reproductions from *Intertetto*, the Bellini, Andrea del Sarto or Titian. On the bookshelves will be seen volumes of Fogazzaro, Carducci, Dante, Gozzi, Vasari and Uberti, while a place for Shakespeare and O. Henry are found in basement. A steward will try his hand at providing potential fascist followers with *Spaghetti, Salmoni, montone, pollo, pasticcio, lentichiere* and *pane*.

The Casa Italiana will follow the lead of the other Middlebury foreign language schools, and will put into action the principles which (Continued on page 14)
WE entered the bay at 5:30 in the morning. It was faintly light and misty. As the boat glided slowly and silently along on the perfectly calm water past the fantastically grand pile of the famous Sugar Loaf, whose peak and sides were just visible through the mist and half-light of the early dawn, I felt that I was floating along in a dream, it was all so strange, so unreal. That was my introduction to Brazil, and to Sao Sebastiao de Rio de Janeiro, called for short, Rio.

When the sun came out an hour or two later, though in all its fierceness, the real Rio began to appear. I received my first impressions of Brazilian customs at the railroad station. In glancing over a time-table, I found that time was reckoned as in Europe, on the basis of twenty-four hours for each day. I could start on a trip at 8:30 and reach the destination at 22:45. Also in traveling there had to be taken into consideration the track sizes, varying from standard down to a gauge of 30 inches, and the locomotive, many of which are the type used in the States during the Civil War period, wood being used in preference to coal.

My major at Middlebury was Spanish and I had made a study of Portuguese, but I discovered even in purchasing a ticket that their tongue, principally Portuguese, was foreign to both in many respects. Where we would say "Why, yes," the negative is used.

No sooner had I landed than I became conscious of the swarms of lottery ticket sellers, many of whom are cripples who hope that sympathy will be expressed by buying a ticket. Beggars are as common; and as in other countries, they are particularly partial to foreigners. On arriving I was not prepared for them; I did not realize that Brazilians rarely refuse to give, though the donation be extremely small. Saturday is the big day for beggars. They arrive from the country in swarms, each one making his rounds, picking up in the end perhaps the equivalent of half a dollar. The chicken seller is typical of the man who walks each week-end from one to ten miles to the nearest town with produce which he sells for a pittance. A chicken may bring seven or eight cents.

The noises of Rio were one of the first things to which I had to become accustomed. Those of the lower working class, who do not go bare foot, usually wear wooden soled slippers, which make a grand clatter on the hard pavement. Transportation outside of towns is still primitive, unwieldly ox-carts being used for the most part. The wheels are never greased, and the squeak of them may easily be heard for two miles in places where the noise of city traffic is absent. The heavy carts behind eight oxen, bumping over roads, seldom repaired after they are first constructed, add to the racket.

Americans are more familiar with the political unrest of Brazil than of any other feature. One thing that contributes large-
WHEN the covered wagon began its slow westward movement carrying implements of utilitarian value only, among the chattels included because of their usefulness and the sentiment attached were the famous New England historical plates, pictured remembrances of small cities, battles and popular settings. Those pioneers of a century ago probably influenced the value of commemorative plates more than any other class of people in America.

Since the "forties" the popularity of plates bearing illustrations has increased many fold, until, among thousands of people, it has become a vogue. Particularly strong is this vogue at present among educational institutions. A majority of colleges in the east have now brought to light old historical plates and copied them, added modern elements or made entirely new designs. For a long time appeals for similar plates have been entered at the administration offices.

Believing that there is a large number of alumni as well as faculty, under-graduates, and summer school students, who might be interested in securing Middlebury plates, the College started working on designs for them this spring. The Committee decided that the most appropriate type would be a plate in Middlebury blue with College buildings in the center and typical Vermont scenes worked into a border. Wedgwood pottery, from Etruria, England, was selected, because of its recognized superior quality. Jones McDuffee and Stratton of Boston were approached and following the receipt of rough sketches replied: "This would be a new departure in the design of college plates and would be well adapted to the charm of your location . . . . We feel that using a scheme like this we could achieve a set of plates that would be the most beautiful we have yet produced."

Present plans, part of which will be on demonstration in the College Library during Commencement, call for a set of eight dinner plates, each having its individual center. The buildings depicted will be: The Library; Painter Hall; Old Chapel; Mead Chapel; The Chateau; Hepburn; Pearsons; Bread Loaf Inn.

On the borders will be engraved Mountain Campus scenes including: Pleiad Lake; Pulp mill covered bridge and Otter Creek; Ripton-Hancock pass; stump fence and pasture scene; the College maple sugar orchard; contours of Bread Loaf and Lincoln Mountains.

The cost of the plates will be $10.00 per set of eight if advance orders for a minimum of 200 sets are received. This is slightly lower than prices for most of the other Colleges, but the Committee anticipates on the first order meeting expenses only. Explanatory circulars will be sent to all alumni as soon as the designs are completed.
Campus Motifs

TABLOID. The Campus of April 6 came out as a pink tabloid, alias "Supmac Yrubelddim." The exposure of Hamlin Hall as a vice den, the burning at stake of Professor Swett, the inauguration of a course in love making and the construction of a new gymnasium were among the accounts.

SUGAR'N OLE. The Mountain Club gave a Sugar Party at the Noble orchard in Ripton, April 11. About 66 faculty members and students attended.

FACULTY CHANGES. MacDonald Fulton, professor of biology at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., will fill the position of Professor Raymond L. Barney for next year. Werner Neuse, assistant professor at New York University, will take the place of Professor Everett Skillings, head of the German Department. Professor Barney and Professor Skillings will be on their sabbatical leaves.

GOETHE COMMEMORATION. Exercises in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the death of Goethe were held on April 15. The program included lectures by Doctor Ernst Feise of Johns Hopkins University, a musicale of German selections and a reception at which German folk songs and readings from Goethe were featured. Elizabeth Higgins of Southbridge, Mass., was awarded first prize for the best tribute to Goethe.

PHOTOGRAPHY. An undergraduate contest with first prize of $20 or a $25 Kodak is being held for the best collection of photos of college life taken between September 1931 and June 1932.

"PASS AND FAIL". Professors Frank W. Cady, Paul Rusby and John G. Bowker arguing for the affirmative side of the question, resolved: that the abolition of all grades except "pass" and "fail" would result in a more sustained effort on the part of the student body, were defeated by the varsity team. This debate took the place of the annual encounter between the men's and women's colleges.

EXHIBITION. An exhibition of books illustrating the work of the better modern presses of the country was held in the Abernethy wing of the library during April.

GLEE CLUBS. The itinerary of the Men's Glee Club this season included Bennington and Manchester, Vermont; West New Brighton, Staten Island; WOR Newark; The International House, New York City; Ticonderoga, Massena and Potsdam N. Y. The club concluded the season with its annual program in Mead Memorial Chapel on April 26. The concert of the Women's Glee Club under the direction of Miss Prudence Fish was presented in the college playhouse on April 22.

BIRTHDAY. The fourth annual commemoration of the birthday of Julian W. Abernethy, donor of the east wing of the library, was observed on April 27 when Gorham Munson, author and critic, spoke on "The Desirability of Thoreau as a Contemporary."

ORCHESTRA. Features of the annual concert, conducted by Professor Alfred Larsen, on April 29 were the string quartet and a quintet of wind instruments.

KALEIDOSCOPE. The 1933 year book, coming from the press the last week in April, broke all previous records for early publication. The history of Middlebury during the Victorian period is the theme.

DEBATING. The Lawrence prizes, given annually to the three best debaters at the Middlebury-Vermont debate were won by Thomas Duffield, first; Reamer Kline, second; while third prize was divided between Edward Yerow and R. P. Donaghy of Vermont.
PARKER AWARDS. First place in the annual freshman prize speaking contest was won by William Morris of Clinton, N. Y., with the essay "Is Religion an Answer to War?"

MUSIC WEEK. An Evening of Music, arranged by Professor Lewis J. Hathaway, was held at the Chi Psi Lodge on Sunday, May 10, as part of the celebration for National Music Week. Soloists were Dexter Davison, pianist; Mrs. Letha McLaughlin, soprano, and Mr. B. S. Stewart, Baritone.

JUNIOR WEEK. New events added this year to the Junior Week program on May 12, 13 and 14 were the Pan Hellenic Show produced by the Women's College and the women's archery tournament. Delta Upsilon for the third consecutive year took the stunt cup at the Interfraternity Variety Show; Delta Kappa Epsilon placed second and Beta Kappa received honorable mention. The class of 1935 was the victor in the annual soph-fresh rope pull and Wilfred Goering '34 of the greased pig contest. At the Promenade Virginia Kent of Rutland was elected Queen. The ladies of her court were: Christine Jones, Pittsford; Doris Barnard, Granville, N. Y.; Dorothy Wilson, Philadelphia; and Faith Arnold, Waltham, Mass. "Loyalties" by John Galsworthy was presented by the Dramatic Club. This is the first time that the Junior Play has been given by the club rather than by the Junior class.

KAPPA DELTA RHO CUP. Charles E. Thrasher '32 of Fitchburg, Mass, was awarded the Cup at the Interfraternity Variety Show. Mr. Thrasher is the recipient of the Dutton Fellowship, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Blue Key, Waubanakee and Alpha Sigma Phi.

SUMMER SCHOOL DATES. French, Spanish and Italian, July 1 to August 14; Bread Loaf, June 29 to August 13; German, July 5 to August 18; Writers Conference, August 17 to September 1.

INTERFRATERNITY SPORTS WINNERS. Golf, Beta Kappa; Basketball, Kappa Delta Rho; Hockey, Delta Kappa Epsilon; Winter Sports, Alpha Sigma Phi. Handball, Delta Upsilon; Baseball, Delta Kappa Epsilon; Board Track Relay, Delta Upsilon; Tennis, Delta Kappa Epsilon; Track, Delta Kappa Epsilon.

NEW COACHES. Walter J. Nelson, '32, of Dorchester, Mass., has been appointed coach of hockey, baseball and Freshman football, for the coming year to fill the position of Harvey W. Heeler who has requested one year's leave of absence for study. Robert W. Gillison, Colgate, '30, will take the place of Richard J. Phelan as Varsity line coach.

MORE HONORS. George Yeomans of Canton, Mass., previous recipient of the Alumni Award, has been elected president of the Undergraduate Association for the coming year. His award of the Hazelton-Klevenow Cup marks the first time that it has been presented twice to the same person. Mr. Yeomans is captain-elect of hockey, member of Waubanakee and the newly elected head of Blue Key.
THE best team that has represented Middlebury in baseball for several years is well underway in accomplishing its task of capturing the state championship. St. Michael's, Vermont, and Norwich have all been defeated in their first encounters with the Panther nine.

Opening with a surprise victory over the strong Springfield team, Middlebury continued to upset the natural order of events by shutting out Brown and forcing Boston College to go ten innings before a decision could be reached. With but one exception, the Boston University contest, these games have not been marked by heavy hitting. By playing alert and snappy ball with pitching that has bordered at times on the sensational, the Panthers have scored their fine record.

"Ed" Stefaniak, with two shutouts and a victory over the heavy hitting Springfield team to his credit, has been the mainstay of this brilliant pitching staff. When a team wins a ball game on one hit as Middlebury did at Brown, there must have been some air-tight pitching. "Ed" has proven all year that he is invincible in the pinches and his opponents are never given hits when they would do damage. Barker, a freshman, is a worthy alternate for Stefaniak, and his pitching against Norwich and Boston College left nothing to be desired. Anderson has turned in two good games against St. Michael's and Williams, although in the latter case a few fielding lapses by his teammates cost the game.

Capt. Makela has proven to be the heaviest sticker on the club, his most generous contribution being a homer and a triple in the Boston University game. First base has been again efficiently covered by ex-Capt. Nelson, who has consistently turned in his fielding gems as well as supplying a share of extra base blows.

A freshman, Zawistoski, has played second base, and although not a heavy hitter, has fielded beautifully to fill out what is otherwise a veteran infield. Yeomans at shortstop and Sorenson at third are side by side for the third consecutive year, and with the exception of one game have handled all ground balls going to the left of the box in great style. Both these players are hitting the ball pretty consistently to rate among the best batters on the team. It is a smooth working infield that Coach Hessler has, as all witnesses of the Vermont game in Middlebury during Junior Week will testify.

Although having plenty of competition from underclassmen, Hartrey has retained his position behind the plate. Not a small amount of the success of the pitchers on the team is due to this catcher's headwork in figuring out the various batters. In the Norwich game Hartrey broke loose with his bat and cracked out a home run and a double.

"Jim" Olson in right field has also withstood competition from underclassmen and is again leadoff man of the batting order. Because of the fact that Stefaniak is no less dangerous with the bat than he is in the pitcher's box he
has been called upon to cover left field when not on mound duty. His batting average testifies to the wisdom of this procedure.

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Despite the loss by graduation of several of their most consistent point winners, the Middlebury track men have this season compiled an enviable record. In their four dual meets they have compiled 325 points to an opponents' total of 206.

Entering the Eastern Intercollegiate Athletic Association meet at Worcester as a "dark horse" the Panther trackmen gathered 34½ points for third place. Sears in the two mile, Brown in the broad jump, MacLean in the low hurdles, all won first honors in this meet.

The season has been marked by great strength in the track events, but with a decided weakness among some of the field entrants. In the dashes Coach Brown has had Capt. Bibby, Brown, Prochazka and Montgomery to gain points for the Blue. But in the longer run the Panther supremacy has been most marked. Fallon, Boehm, and Chalmers have consistently placed in the 440, while Fallon and Hunter have been equally strong in the half mile. Hunter and Short have been outstanding in the mile, while Sears, the man with the speed of a sprinter on his last lap, is as yet undefeated in the two mile jaunt.

Brown with his versatility has amassed the greatest number of points. The dashes, the broad jump, the shot put, the high jump, and the discus are all events in which he has scored. MacLean, holder of the college hurdles records, is challenging Brown in all around ability. As well as clearing the hurdles for a first place in practically all of his races he has won a first in the discus and placed in the high jump. He has proven a most valuable asset to the team.

Lovell has scored consistently in the javelin as has Watson in the hammer throw. Barker, a freshman, has distinguished himself in the broad jump and the discus, dividing his efforts between track and mound duty for the baseball team. Schoonmaker has shown quite some ability in clearing high bars both in jumping and pole vaulting. With the loss of Paul last year the college was left without a pole vaulter, but Collins has progressed rapidly, and although not ready to set any records, has tied for first place several times.

Evidently six matches in eight days was a little too strenuous for the stamina of the tennis team, for after opening the season with four straight victories, the players lost to Worcester and Holy Cross and did not come out of the slump until the match with R. P. I. With six lettermen in the lineup from last year's mediocre team, the court men have really made a satisfactory showing.

Flagg, winner of the college tournament for two years, has played in the number one position, thus meeting the best player of each opposing college. By employing a steady game and alternating between a sliced drive and a chop he has won a large majority of his matches. Flagg has consistently used the system of playing to his opponents' weaknesses, and thus

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ly to the unrest is the class situation. Manual labor is held quite in scorn by the better Brazilian. Whenever possible he (or she) shows this by letting the finger nails grow a quarter of an inch or more as proof that the person does not have to work with the hands. All parents hope their sons may become lawyers, priests or doctors—the preference being in the order given. The priest is a very important figure. No public event or ceremony is complete without his presence and participation. Most boys want to become lawyers because these at the first opportunity forget all about law and become active in politics, hoping to obtain a governmental position. Little salary will be attached to it and that little may never be paid, but it will bear a grand title and innumerable chances for graft. To pay the politicians, everything is taxed; nothing escapes.

Against this type stands the peasant, typified by the farmhand. His place of abode is a palatial affair some twenty feet square with two rooms in both of which the pigs and chickens are fully at home. The walls are made of bamboo poles interlaced at about six inch intervals. The space between them is filled with wet earth. This earth has such a high clay content that it will withstand rain for a long time. The roofs are of thatched straw. There is plenty of ventilation but in a good rain everybody gets wet.

With this conglomeration of types, interests and standards there is little wonder that revolutions may easily be provoked in Brazil.

CAPITOL DISTRICT ALUMNI DINE IN TROY

The Alumni and Alumnae of the Capitol District of New York State dined at the Hendrick-Hudson Hotel in Troy, Friday evening, May 20th. W. Raymond Wells, '30, President of the Club, presided at the dinner. Dr. Wm. S. Burrage of the college faculty was the speaker of the evening and movies of the various college events of the year, entitled Middlebury Memorabilia, which had been taken and edited by W. Storrs Lee, '28, were shown by E. J. Wiley, '13, Mrs. Burrage and Mrs. Wiley, '12 also attended the dinner.

CONNECTICUT ALUMNI HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual dinner of the Alumni and Alumnae of the Connecticut district was held at the Hotel Barnum in Bridgeport, Saturday evening, May 21st. Mr. Wilmot T. Fiske, '09, acted as toastmaster, introducing as speakers: Dr. Myron R. Sanford, Emeritus Professor of Latin; Mrs. E. Pruda Wiley, '12; Prof. D. L. Robinson, '03, President of the Connecticut District, who was formerly a member of the Middlebury faculty and now a teacher in The Taft School in Watertown, Conn.; Dr. William S. Burrage, head of the Greek Department; and Mr. E. J. Wiley, '13, Secretary of the Associated Alumni. Mr. Homer R. Denison ex-'14 lead the singing with Mrs. Wiley at the piano. The showing of Middlebury movies was a feature of the program.

A committee was appointed to make arrangements for the next annual dinner which will probably be held in Hartford.

ALUMNI OF CALIFORNIA HOLD MEETING

Former students of Middlebury living in the state of California held a banquet, which they called an informal get-together, on Saturday evening, May 14th, at the Aileen Tea Room in Los Angeles. Movies of Middlebury were shown. The arrangements were made by Robert B. Brown, ex-'20 of Long Beach, California.
NEW ALUMNI OFFICERS

The results of the annual election which has been carried on through the mail during the past few weeks is announced by the Secretary of the Associated Alumni as follows:

National President, A. H. Nelson, '01; Vice President, Macmillan Publishing Co., New York City.

Albany District President, W. R. Wells, '30; Accountant, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

New Haven District President, H. C. Tong, '01; Cashier, Lomas & Nettleton Co., New Haven, Conn.

New York City District President, E. S. S. Sunderland, '11; Lawyer with Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Gardner & Reed, New York City.

Alumni Trustee-at-Large, E. C. Lawrence, '01; County Judge and Surrogate, Malone, N. Y.

HITS, STRIDE AND DRIVE

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while not appearing brilliant on the courts, has very seldom found his equal.

The number two position has been occupied by Capt. Sloper who, though winning early in the season, struck the decided slump which seemed to effect the entire team for a time. The brand of tennis displayed by Allen at number three has been most encouraging, his faultless form and alertness have gained for him a majority of his matches. Robart, at number four, was very slow in hitting his usual form, but by the end of the season has become a very valuable member of the team. The last two positions have been occupied by Volkmar and Loomis, the former depending on his steadiness, and the latter on a terrific, but rather erratic forehand drive for victory.

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For the first time Middlebury has been represented by a golf team, and although the schedule has not been complete enough to provide an accurate measure of the team, the interest aroused and the showing made is high enough to guarantee the continuance of the sport.

The members of the team were chosen in an individual tournament which was held during May. The two Riccio brothers, Daniel and Victor, have been the outstanding men on the team, and they are able to offer competition to the golfers that any other small New England college can offer.

In the Union match the Riccios were victorious in both their singles and doubles to gain a tie for the opening contest for the Panthers. Eaton and Pickens, although losers in the first match, are able supporters for the two leaders of the team. Nelson, who was unable to participate in the Union match, proved that he is one of the best golfers in college by playing a large part in the crushing victory made at the expense of Norwich.

AND NOW ITALIAN

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have made the "Middlebury Idea" so successful: segregation of students from those using any other language, exclusive use of Italian in classroom and dormitory, concentration of all phases of the student's life upon the mastery of Italian, instruction in small groups by native teachers. The purpose is to create a center for the training of teachers and students of Italian.

As native travelers of France, Spain and Germany have been welcomed to Middlebury in the past, Italians may come now in the same spirit. They will be surprised to find such a colony settled among Green Mountains, but of their sympathy we are sure.

COMING BACK TO COMMENCEMENT

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has produced in many years, a team which has beaten all the other Vermont colleges and teams like Brown and Springfield as well. The President's reception will be an outdoor function this year on the lawn of the President's home. The band concert on the campus will furnish a musical setting for those memories of other days under the campus trees and the usual pilgrimage to Bread Loaf Inn will have as a special feature the opportunity of inspecting the beautiful new buildings that have replaced those destroyed in the fire of last year.

Coming back to Commencement? There are many who just have to come every year.

—E. J. Wiley, '13
Personal News and Notes of the Alumni

Word has been received of the death of George E. Knapp, '88, on February 15 in Portland, Oregon, where he had been living for some months, after having disposed of the Aurora Observer, of which he had been editor and publisher since 1922.

Rev. Aaron B. Corbin, ex-'90 entered on the fifteenth year of secretarial activity, in connection with the Northern New York Conference of Methodist churches, on the 13th of April, when he was re-elected to serve another year.

Mrs. Bert F. Allen, '05 (Alice D. Richmond) died on April 25th in Northfield, Vt. She leaves a husband, Dr. Allen, and two children, Richmond and Rosamond, Middlebury, '35.

Mrs. Mary Pratt Rhodes, '07 writes that she had the privilege recently of attending the banquet and initiation of the newly established chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Arizona. Her address is: 741 East Third St., Tucson, Arizona.

Rev. Moody D. Holmes, '08 died in Mannsville, N. Y., on April 10th, after a lingering illness.

Dr. Daniel M. Shewbrooks, '09, Assistant Medical Director of The Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in Philadelphia, has a new mailing address: The Cambridge, at Alden Park, Wissahickon Ave. and School Lane, Philadelphia.

Margery Burditt ex-'11 has recently moved to 52 Woodrow St., West Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Percy Martin (Ruth L. Clough, ex-'11) is located in North Bridgton, Me.

Earle T. Tracey, '12, is now superintendent of schools in the city of Nashua, N. H.

Hugh O. Thayer, '12, who is with the DuPont Cellophane Company, Inc., has changed his headquarters to Buffalo, N. Y., with residence at 210 Vorhees Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph Sweczy, '15 (Martha Bolton, '23) announce the arrival of Robert Joseph on March 26th.

Rev. Thomas M. Ross, '15 has changed his address to 1178 Waterbury Ave., New York City.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Elbert C. Cole (Ida Ainsworth ex-'15). Suffering from a mastoid and spinal meningitis, she was removed to the North Adams, Mass., Hospital where she passed away on April 9th. She leaves a husband, who graduated from Middlebury in 1915, and three children.

After June 15th Katherine Ball, '17, wishes to have her mail addressed to the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.

Prof. Charles J. Lyon, '18, has recently been announced as Botanist for the New Hampshire Nature Camp at Lost River, from June 20 to July 2. This is a new enterprise which offers field training for leaders of nature study in schools, clubs and similar organizations.

Alice Glynweth, '18, spent Easter in St. Albans, England with relatives. She is a native of Saint Albans, Vermont and for the past seven years has been teaching in the Beverly, Mass., High School, but for this academic year is an exchange teacher and is in Bishop Auckland, England. Miss Glynweth finds the school system very different from ours, but faculty and pupils most cordial and pleasant to work with.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley V. Wright, '29 (Ruth Ashworth, '21) are the parents of a son, born on March 17th.

I. H. Goddard, '25, has moved to 12 S. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa., and School Lane, Philadelphia.

Dorothy Bliss, '21, has moved to 125 Maraden St., in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. William Meacham, '21, are the parents of a daughter Joyce Easter, born on March 27th (Easter Sunday).

A. George Osteyee, '21, has given us a new address: 128 Ridgedale Ave., Madison, N. J.

Rena C. Dumas, '22, and her mother, are living at 119 Harvard St., Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Whitney, '22, have a son, Robert Dorr, born April 14th. Mr. Whitney is assistant secretary and statistician at the Bridgeport City Trust Company. His home address is: 55 Elm St., Fairfield, Conn.

Charles E. Howard, '22, has changed his address to 17 Bond St., Claremont, N. H.

Carroll S. White, ex-'22, has given us a new mailing address: Miller Apartments, R. F. D. No. 2, Waterford, N. Y.

Catherine Rabinov, '23, was married on March 31st to Allen C. Clifford, of Brandon, Vt. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford are living at 8 Rosser St., Brandon, where he is in business with his father.

J. Dexter Wallact, Jr., '23, has asked to have his mailing address changed to 165 Whitman Ave., West Hartford, Conn.

Dr. and Mrs. Stanton A. Harris, '24, are the proud parents of a son, Robert Stanton, born on April 30th at the Booth Memorial Hospital in New York City. Their home address is: 122-01 83rd Ave., Richmond Hill, L. I.

Mrs. Velma Pilling McClelland, '24, is located at 106 Buckingham Road, Upper Montclair, N. J.

Helen Cleveland, '24, was married on February 9, to George S. A. Elder, and is living at 59 Fort Pleasant Ave., Springfield, Mass.

R. Lysle Houghton, '24, may be found at 206 Berkeley Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Kenny" Anderson, '25, was married in the First Presbyterian Church of Sag Harbor on April 21st to Miss Anita Miles Shelton. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are residing in Sag Harbor, N.Y., where he is practicing law.

Lindley W. Robinson, '26, is now editing Walton's Vermont Register (Vt. Year Book) published by the National Survey of Chester, Vt., with which firm he has been associated since his graduation. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson inform the Alumni office that they have a son, Lindley Mann, born September 23, 1931.

On April 4th John E. Connolly, '26, was married to Miss Margaret Scholl of New York City. Mr. Connolly graduated from the Harvard Law School in 1929 and is now practicing law in N. Y. C.

Mervin W. McCutcheon, '27, who is employed by the Aetna Life Insurance Company in Scranton, Pa., as a Home Office Representative, has informed us of the arrival in the McCutcheon home of a daughter, Joan Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Packard (Ruth Tupper, '27) have left Middlebury and gone to the Dearborn Inn in Michigan, where Mr. Packard is Manager.

Irving G. Kenea, '27, has been teaching and coaching this past year in the Watertown, Mass. High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Stillman F. Kelley, '29, are the parents of a daughter.

Harold R. Kinne, '29, has moved to Rutherford, N. J., and gives his address as 12 W. Park Place.
**Personal News and Notes of the Alumni**

News was recently received at this office of the marriage on March 7, 1931 of Frederick G. Bossett, ex-’29 to Miss Evelyn Peakes of Newton, Mass., and Wheaton College, 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Bossett are living at 56 Park Lane, Newton Centre, Mass.

Coral L. Happ, ’29, who was located in Sheboygan, Wisconsin for some time has been transferred to 188 Main St., Marlboro, Mass.

Marian E. Fordyce, 'ex-29, who became the wife of George T. Feleser on June 6, 1931, died suddenly on April 10 of this year of acute dilation of the heart.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Roberts (Georgia Lyon, ’30) are the parents of a son, Cornelius Lyon, born on April 1st.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Thelma Walling of Montclair, N. J., to Paul K. Dalziel, ’31 of Bloomfield, Miss Walling is a graduate of the Harriette Mills School of N. Y. C. now advancing timidly to reveal her

Charles Kennedy, ’31, died on April 16th following an appendicitis operation, in a Mineville, N. Y. hospital.

**GLEANINGS FROM 1922 REUNION LETTER**

Rena Demas, established in Monroe High School, Rochester N. Y., on the Rock of Gibraltar, now advances timidly to reveal her past. Two years in Canton, one in Toronto and the balance in Rochester, talking, eating and living French found her Boss Modern Language teacher, founder of a "French Honor Society with 9 chapters," recipient of an M. A. in French from University of Rochester, and recent visitor to Paris.

Carolyn Hayward Reed, up in Charlemont, Mass., represents the American Red Cross. Trained at Massachusetts General Hospital, she held jobs with Springfield (V.) Hospital, School of Social Work and Public Health, and State Dept. of Health, Richmond, Va., and as instructor of nurses, Franklin County Hospital, Greenfield, Mass. She is married and has one daughter. Her home we have to thank for knowledge that Mayville Rice lastly of Alaska has gone south for the winter—possibly longer—she is keeping house for her family at 2618 47th Ave. S. W. Seattle Wash.

George Lewis writes from Atlanta Ga. where he is Assistant Professor of Biochemistry in charge of all laboratory work given in that department by Emory University. Spent year following graduation at Illinois learning formula for heptamethoxyphenylcarbinol which means "how much corn to feed chickens to keep them alive"; then followed 4 years at Michigan which granted him a Ph. D. in Physiological Chemistry. In the midst of all this chicken work George got married in 1923 to Phyllis Wright of Crown Point N. Y. They have two children, Betty (7) and Carol (5). The whole brood covered 9129 miles by auto last summer, touching 14 states and both coasts.

Kathryn Rogers Sowles taught one year, then married Dr. John Sowles, a dentist, and settled down in Randolph, Vt.—a very pretty place if you don’t know it. Three children, two girls and one boy, put them out in front for 1922.

Not many miles to the south of Randolph is Windsor, where lives a great philosopher, Gerald Cabot. Listen to this: "I wish right now that it was 1922 instead of 1932. I am neither married nor engaged. My eyesight, hearing and other faculties are still good. But I think that I know less about the world than I did in the spring of 1922." Besides, Philosophy "Bin" has a flair for banking. Progressively he has banked the Windsor County Trust Co., the Ringling Bank & Trust Co., (of Sarasota, Fla.), and The Chase National Bank (the world’s largest bank.) Bin will be on hand in June.

Ed Stockwell, New England sales representative of Lehn & Fink Inc., wholesale druggists, lives at 127 Audubon Road, Boston with Mrs. Stockwell and son, John. Two years teaching followed by several more as manager of a silver fox farm in the Adirondacks drove Ed to drugs.

John Harvey, in Williamsburg, Conn., and Leighton Wade, in New York, are, so far as we know, the only practicing lawyers in the class. They decided it wasn’t safe to write us. Baby was married by Margaret Tompkins, of Summit, N. J., in 1929, and their son, Towar, born Dec. 27, 1930, isn’t going to be pleased with that birthday. They are living in Maplewood, N. J.

Jack Horner, lone doctor of the class, isn’t turning away business either. Hours 1:30-8:00, etc., 28 Eagle St., Albany, N. Y. Also, if in need of a minister in a hurry, don’t forget Julian Bishop, who can be found in Watertown, N. Y., and Charlie Reinprecht, over in Knaochow, China.

Alice Kirkpatrick, another Alumnus, is Assistant Librarian at N. Y. State Teachers’ College, having qualified for that job by attending Bread-Love and Albany Library School, then as librarian Mass. School for Feebleminded (Waverly), staff at New Britain Library, followed by half-year on faculty of Albany L. S. Horseback, harpooned listening to, chess and Michigan summer school are listed as hobbies.

Ida Jennings Penny is sparing with words but with a husband and two rising youths to look after we were lucky to get any. "Tought one year and worked three with N. Y. Telephone Co. On June 20, 1929, married Frank C. Penny, Chief Civil Engineer of Bridgeport Safety Emery Wheel Co. Children are Richard J. (4 1/2) and George O. (1 1/2)."

Now for Bill Cole. We can’t do justice to Bill’s letter without printing it in full and space doesn’t permit. So, briefly, starting school teaching and in 1922. Baby was married by Dr. Julian Bishop, isn’t turning away business. Hours 1-3; 8-10, etc., 28 Eagle St., Albany, N. Y. Also, if in need of a minister in a hurry, don’t forget Julian Bishop, who can be found in Watertown, N. Y., and Charlie Reinprecht, over in Knaochow, China.

Hazel Chase Nelson states candidly that she has nothing startling to relate and to clinch matters announces that her present address, Wilmington, Vt., is the same as it was in 1922. But things have happened, aplenty. Two years teaching, then marriage, more teaching, then Lawrence William (May 12, 1928). Now Hazel has her own private school and is sitting pretty.

Elise Scott with her sister, Beatul, ’23, is rounding out seven year’s teaching at East Northfield, Mass. Before that were two years at Seymour, Conn. H. S., and still earlier, one year’s graduate study and mathematics teaching at College. Of all the letters received none contains more enthusiasm, especially on the subject of reunion. What other classes will be back? Why not a list of class children, wives and husbands? Which and why not, ask us.

Now for a few others. Byron Kelly is making his mark as a Worcester manufacturer, with a brace of bright youngsters. When you read the Barrett ads in The Saturday Post think of their chief inspiration, Karl Brestin. Karl, his wife, formerly Harriet Keman, of Utica, N. Y. and daughter, Carol, born May 12, 1930, live in Dobbs Ferry, N. Y. Louis Donnelly left the Wall Street Journal some years ago to become an honest broker, and it pays because Louis was able to have his toenails removed this winter. John Prescott writes most of the important Associated Press stories issuing from Philadelphia. Dot Douglas and her husband, Bill Purdy, ’28, live in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., where Dot devotes herself to bringing up Bill Jr., now about 15. During the time she was in business Dot became a national figure in advertising. Dot Ross, in Pittsburgh, representing Howe Scale Company, is still receiving congratulations on the marriage of his brother, Emmie, Middlebury’s Grand Old Bachelor to Ann Dorothy Hoening, in N. Y., on Dec. 11, 1931. Harry Fitte¬npatrick is one of the few Wall Street brokers who still took his friends in the eye and one of the many who ride the subway these days.