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#### Fun At Acacia's Carnival Winter Formal



HIGHLIGHT OF THE FIRST SEMESTER SOCIAL SEASON at Illinois Chapter was our Carnival Winter Formal held soon after we returned from the Thanksgiving holiday. It looks like the boys and girls are having a good time, doesn't it!

# Dick Cook, New Venerable Dean, Heads List Of Capable Officers Now Guiding Acacia

Our annual political shake-up saw the following men go out of office after doing an excellent job for the past year: Al Hallene, Venerable Dean; Phil Dolbow, Senior Dean; Art Hoelck, Junior Dean; Jim Brown, Rushing Chairman; Clint Cannon, Treasurer, and Don Funk, Secretary.

Elected to guide the good ship Memnon through the perilous waters of the ensuing year were the following:

Cur new Venerable Dean, Dick Cook, hails from Summit, New Jersey. Dick is a B. M. O. C. from the word "Go," being manager of the Gymnastics team, holding chairmanships in the Illini Union, and having membership in Sachem honorary fraternity. With such a capable helmsman at the wheel, we are looking forward to a promising future.

Bob Simon, our new Senior Dean,

migrates to Champaign from way up north in Antioch, Illinois. Bob is a sophomore in the Commerce School. Being a member of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary scholastic fraternity, and Skull and Crescent honorary fraternity are a part of Bob's activities, not to mention being a former Interfraternity Council Representative and member of the Glider club. "Cy" is doing a very fine job handling the pledge training program.

Dave Dixon has already lined up for us a solid social program to take up our week ends from now until the semester's end. Being our new Junior Dean has added to Dave's list of activities which already include editorship of the newspaper published by the University YMCA, membership on the YMCA board and membership in Phi Eta Sigma honorary frater-

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# Initiation March 11 Adds 13 A-1 Men To Acacia Roster

Thirteen new fellows are now wearing the jeweled triangle. We are proud of our new initiates for the achievements that they have obtained and know that they will continue to be successful in new adventures. I am sure that March 11, 1951, will long be remembered by our new brothers.

ROLF CEDERWALL, class of '54, is from Northbrook, Illinois. Rolf is a commerce student, where he is majoring in accounting. He is active in Campus Chest and was on Eadge Sales. Rolf is known around the sacred halls of Acacia as "Sabu Cederceiling."

JIM DAVIS, our pre-med student from Effingham, class of '54, is better known as "Doc." Jim was captain of the pledge I-M basketball team and is a freshman varsity fencer. I wonder how long Jim will wear his pin before he gives it to a certain girl named Betty.

KEN FAHENSTOCK, class of '54, is right at home around campus as he lives in Urbana. Ken was out for freshman basketball and cross country track and was the star in the Daniel Street pajama race this fall. He is a student in the college of Liberal Arts and Science.

ED GLENWRIGHT, class of '52, is another brother hailing from Springdale, better known as Springdale, better known as Springdeld. Ed is in the college of L. A. S. and is majoring in psychology. He is serving as Assistant Rushing Chairman and is a member of the Club Commons Committee at the Illini Union. Ed has picked up the nickname of "Little Professor," and tries to help his maladjusted brothers.

BOB HERRICK, class of '52, hails from Quincy, Illinois, and is studying to be a mechanical engineer. Bob is a junior, having attended Quincy College for his first two years. He is active in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and is a Sub-chairman

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Midnight Oil

Semester grades, the semi-annual bogey man, have again been released from the Dean of Men's office. Results are somewhat sohering though far from catastrophic. As compared with the record of the previous spring semester, there is a slight over-all drop. Whether this is due to the apparent tightening of the grading system or to the subtle unrest brought about by the threat of overseas duty is hard to say, perhaps a measure of both.

Spring Semester '50: Undergrad. Men's Average....3.58 All Fraternity Average......3.46 Acacia Fraternity ......3.723 All Organized Ind. Houses ..... 3.64

Fall Semester '50: Undergrad, Men's Average.....3.45 All Fraternity Average.....3.42 Acacia Fraternity ......3.572 All Organized Ind. Houses.....3.51

The figures cited for both Acacia and All Fraternity average are combined pledge-active averages. Acacia's rank among the fifty-six fraternities was tenth for the fall semester just completed, which is a drop from third place for the preceeding spring semester, but well within the limits of respectability. We feel the men have kept to the grindstone pretty well in the face of a somewhat nebulous futureand anticipate a continuation and improvement in the semester now under way.

Our best wishes go to Warren J. North and Leah Nell Pendleton. who were united in marriage on March 18, 1951, at McComb, Ohio, They are now living at 775 Bardbury Ave., Berea, Ohio.

### The V. D. Rises To Remark

With the pressure of the uncertainty of military service considerably alleviated, everyone seems to be settling down to studying again.

The recent ruling by Director Hershey allowing college students who are called up for the draft a period of thirty days after the end of the semester in which to enlist has done a lot to calm everyone down. Also, there have been several well substantiated reports that a program to allow men now in school to continue for at least another year and perhaps longer. What will actually happen is anyone's guess, and, believe me, Washington is doing a good job of keeping us all guessing. What will happen to college enrollment and consequently to the chapter roll here at 501 is, of course, still a matter of speculation. In any event, we are pretty certain that rushing next fall will be pretty tight. We're starting now to concentrate our rushing efforts on men for next year and in this respect you alums can give us a lot of help. We would like names of men you know will be coming to Illinois next fall so that we can send them information on Acacia now, and personally contact as many as possible before the rush is really on. The alumni groups in and around the state can be of particular help in this respect and we've already contacted them about it. However, all of you can give us a big lift by giving us the names of men we can contact. We need your help now as we have never needed it before.

Financially our house is in mighty good shape. At a recent meeting of fraternity treasurers, our house was praised as having the most efficient and yet one of the simplest, comprehensive bookkeeping systems on the campus. It's based largely on a budget system and we've been running in the black all year. Our two well-loved cooks are putting out the best feed bag on campus and are doing an exceptionally fine job of saving us money. In spite of tremendous food price rises, we haven't increased our house bill in two years and we still have one of the lowest on campus.

Founder's Day is on April 22 here at the house and I hope you all will make a special effort to get back for that week end. We visit them before long."

plan to have the Founders' Day Banquet at 12:30 in the chapter house. It will be a good opportunity for those of you who haven't been back yet this year to taste some of the mighty fine food we're getting here now and also see the fine set of silver that was given to us this year by the Fathers.

I spoke up at the Chicago Alumni Association on March 26. As my home was too far away to allow me to go home during Easter vacation Brother Ralph Hoffman asked me to come up there to tell them a little about what was going on down here. I was glad of the opportunity to do so. I wish I could do the same for all the Acacia Alumni groups. I'd like to tell you how much it means to us here at Illinois to know that we have such fine alumni organizations as the one in the Chicago area. Acacia can well be proud of its alumni groups.

The doors at 501 are, as always, wide open to all of you, and I hope you'll take every opportunity to drop in and look around. We're pretty proud of the way things are going here. We'd like to meet you and hear what you have to say. Stop in when you're in town, and we'll especially be looking forward to seeing a good many of you on Founders' Day.

#### BILL SUNDERMAN WRITES

We received this welcome news from William J. (Bill) Sunderman, Lincoln Building, Charleston, Ill.:

"Just received my December issue of the Hello. The publication seems to be improving with every issue.

"I don't have much in the way of news. I am still practicing law here in Charleston. Last November I was elected County Judge, so you can see that my interest in politics is still keen. My tribe has increased by one since I last reported. My daughter will be a year old January 24. Her name is Amanda Jane, My son, William Anthony, will be five years old on the same date.

"I noted Melvin Nield's name on the list of missing alumni. His address is as follows: 739 Chestnut, Neenah, Wis.

"The chapter seems to be booming. Extend my congratulations to them and tell them to continue the good work. I am going to try to

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on the Union House Publications committee.

JOHN RUFFNER, class of '55, is an architect student from South Bend, Indiana. During his pledgeship he spent all his extra time working hard as pledge social chairman. John survived initiation in fine style and is now ready to undertake a new adventure, marriage. John was married on the 24th of March and we all wish him happiness and success.

BOB THWAITES, class of '53, from Detroit, Michigan, is a student in architecture. Bob is active in the American Institute for Architects, as well as working at the Illini Union as an artist for the IUSA News. Bob is an ex-service man, and personally, he's one of

the best.

ROE WALKER, class of '54, is our tall, lanky Ag student from New Lennox, Illinois. He is active in Campus Chest besides singing in the Varsity Glee Club. Roe is known among his initiate brothers as "Elephant Boy."

ED WERNER, class of '54, from Springfield, is a freshman in electrical engineering. Ed was one of the stars on the I-M football team which took the league trophy. He was also out for freshman football.

BOB WILLERTON, class of '54, is one of several freshmen enrolled in agriculture. He hails from Danvers, where he is remembered because of his many activities. At the University, Bob has been showing sheep, as well as being active in Ag Club, the YMCA, and Campus Chest. Who knows what's to come next?

BOB WOLAVER, class of '52, hails from Springfield, is a civil engineering student. He was the real woman's man in the pledge Don attended Springfield Junior College for two years where he was a member of Phi Theta Kappa honorary. Don has acquired the nickname of "Gunner." I wonder why?

DON YALE, class of '52, from Amboy, Illinois. Don is an instructor at the University airport, and as you have probably guessed, Don is a junior in aeronautical engineering. Don's fellow pledges elected him to serve as their President.

He is also a member of the Institute of Aeronautical Science, and was recently selected to serve on the Spring Carnival committee at the Illini Union.

HARRY SCHOCK, class of '51, calls Evanston his home town. He has just two main activities on campus. One is his effort for the School of Commerce, but the other, more important activity is girls. Due to his wide experience in this field, Harry has become the house's one-man dating bureau.

## Meet Our New Pledges, Brademas and Pugsley

It seems that this semester, Acacia is not going in for quantity as much as for quality. We pledged two men and we'd like to have you meet them.

The first is Jim Brademas, who is a sophomore in physical education. He was in the navy for a year and says he made good use of it by visiting "all of the wild ports." Jim hails from South Bend, Indiana, and has attended both Arizona and Purdue previously.

Ben Pugsley is the other new pledge. He is a junior in agriculture economics, and previously attended James Millikan in Decatur, which is also his home town, and LaJunta Junior College in LaJunta, Colorado. "Pug" served in the Marines for four years. Now he is on the editorial staff of the Rural Observer and is corresponding secretary of the Agriculture Economics Club.

# Dick Cook Heads List Of Officers

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nity. Dave hails from Racine, Wisconsin, and is a sophomore in Me-

chanical Engineering.

The job of getting new men for the house has been passed on to Ken Davis. Ken is a native of Springfield and is a sophomore in Commerce. Having been assistant rushing chairman previously, Ken is a natural for his new job. He faces a difficult task of directing our rushing program at a time when the prospects for finding a suitable number of good men for next fall's pledge class are dim indeed.

The fate of Acacia's finances has fallen into the hands of Al Gleason, our new treasurer. Al, who hangs his hat at Mattoon, Illinois, is a junior in Agriculture. His activities include membership in several agricultural honorary fraternities and committees on campus. Al is in the advanced Quartermaster Corps, and this coupled with his business training makes him well suited for the job of treasurer.

Mel Rapp, our new secretary, is our Peoria boy. Mel has been active in the YMCA and the Agriculture club. Most of his time is taken up though with his activity in the agriculture school where he is a junior, and with numerous house committees of which he is a mem-

# These Alumni Wrote Us At Homecoming Time

Below is a partial list of alumni who at back their reservation cards at Home-

ming:
A. A. Arnold, 247 Park Ave., New York.
D. E. Baird, Route 2, Bethany.
J. C. Baker, Los Angeles, Calif.
R. W. Ball, Univ. of Wash., Seattle 5.
D. G. Bangert, 418 E. Ferguson Ave.

D. G. Bangert, 418 E. Ferguson Ave., Wood River. T. M. Burger, 605 N. School St., Normal. M. B. Bergschneider, 836 Bellview, Winston-Salem, N. C. W. L. Brockob, 1485 Dec Road, Park

Hidge. M. F. Carlock, 2003 Spanish Dr., St. Louis 17, Mo. R. H. Clements, 7506 S. East End Ave., L. E. Cutler, 3000 Ellendale Parkway,

L. R. Cutler, 3000 Ellendale Parkway,
Chicago 49.
Crown Point, Ind.
D. F. DeTar, Cornell Univ. Chemical
Dept., Ithaca, N. Y.
R. H. Elwell, DDs, Oakland.
R. W. Feik, Beech Park Drive, Greenwood, Ind.
D. F. Fleming, Vanderbilt Univ., Nashville 4, Tenn.
Otto Frederick, 1012 Center, National
Bank Bidg., Peorla.
O. L. Gaston, Box 253 Watertown, Wis.
L. W. Goben, 2920 Minerva, Lake Road,
Columbus, Ohio.
K. H. Geedon, 2720 Eldon Ave., Drexel
Hill, Pa.
K. H. Gordon, Jr., 2720 Eldon Ave.,
Drexel Hill, Pa.

Kline Gray, 624 N. Onk Park Ave., Oak

E. D. Greiner, 302 Central, Washington, J. R. Hamilton, 4714 Cliff Ave., Louis-ville 8, Ky. R. L. Hermann, 706 State Bank Bldg,

C. J. Hinger, 626 Bankers Mortgage Bidg., Houston 2, Tex. L. G. Hoener, 3725 Grand Blvd., East

Chicago, Ind. C. E. Hoff, 326 Eequin Road, San An-

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C. S. Huntington, 2711 Brondway Ave., Evanston, R. W. Impey, 249 W. St. Charles Rd., Elmburst. W. L. Jacques, 358 First Ave., Joliet. E. A. James, 1121 Gresham Rd., Plain-field, N. J. R. M. James, 39-F Glen Lennox Apts., Chapel Hill, N. C. F. K. L. Johnson, 6 Manor Lane, Fer-

Chapel Hill, N. C.
F. K. L. Johnson, 6 Manor Lane, Ferguson 21, Mo.
D. J. Kadyk, 135 S. LaSalle St., Chicago,
W. V. Kell, 4223 S. Four Mile Run Dr.,
Ardington, Vo.
W. G. Kennedy, 4211 B. Glen Albun Dr.,
Los Angeles 65, Calif.
H. S. Kilby, 2404 Forest, Great Bend,

Kans. R. R. LaFollette, 520 N. Michigan Ave.,

Chicago 11. R. F. Lehman, Rm. 1015, 231 S. LaSalle St., Chicago.

### Four Join Acacia Alumni Ranks at Mid-Term

A compilation of misinformation concerning Illinois chapter's new alumni:

#### BOB ROBINSON

It was in the fall of 1948 that Bob transferred from Joliet Junior College to the U in order to complete his training in mechanical engineering. He was pledged by Acacia at that time and initiated in March of 1949. Known as the "pledge's friend," Robbie was elected Senior Dean in September of 1950 and served in this capacity until his graduation Bob's biggest accomplishment while at Illinois was the palming off of the "Green Beetle" (a pile of iron with wheels) on an unsuspecting pledge.

One of the more eager boys, he hung his jeweled triangle on Miss Joan Allen in '49: they will be married this spring.

#### DALE FELDMAN

The second floor seems mighty quiet these days since "Hardnose" isn't around to break up bull sessions with a resounding "knock it off, study hours." Dale entered the school of mechanical engineering in October of '46, was pledged at that time, and initiated in the spring of '47. He was noted for his stalwart play with Acacia's championship football team of '50. The other Allen twin, Jeanne, is the possessor of Dale's pin.

At the present time he is employed by the government in an essential war job-a second lieutenant in the artillery.

# NEW ACACIA ARRIVALS

A little "Belle" has just chimed in and now sleepless nights begin for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mercer. Name of "Belle" is Peggy Joy Mercer, horn October 5, 1950.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Applegate have a daughter, Mary Helen, born November 14, 1950 . . . a second baby. First was a boy born December, 1948.

A bouncing baby boy made its appearance at the home of the Harold Placks in Peoria on November 19, 1950. Jimmy joined his brother, Joey, at 1106 Bigelow Street. Weight, 7 pounds, 13 oz. Height, 20 inches.

Nancy Ann Cress was born on December 24 (almost a Christmas to all these happy couples.

#### DICK DOMINETTA

A member of the infamous pledge class of '47. Dick received his degree in chemical engineering this February. We are seriously considering adding his dramatization of "closing hour in the ADPi hall" to the pledge training lessons. Among his activities on campus. besides his "night work" at the chem building, were military ball chairman, intramural sports, andwell, guess that's all. He was a wheel in ROTC, holding the rank of student captain.

Besides being a good athlete, party boy, etc., Dick consistently helped out the house average with a 4.0 or better.

#### BILL TAYLOR

"Old Number One on Chapter Role," Bill Taylor finally decided to graduate this February. "Needle" was initiated during the warwhich war, we haven't determined. Anyway, he has been around for some time. The love for learning almost wooed Bill back to law school after graduation, but he couldn't find a file on torts so gave it up as a bad job.

Bill was another of Acacia's good students, consistently knocking out a 4.0 or better. A Chicago boy, Bill was noted for his only moderately warped sense of humor and his capacity for County Fair. Of course, he's pinned-Miss Betty Wagner from Ohio University.

baby), 1950, to Allan M. and Margaret Jean Weingard-Cress, The weight, 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Victor and Marilyn Prince announced the completion of their second plan for a family with the arrival of Victoria Louise, a redheaded, 9 pound, 61 ounce girl on February 18, 1951.

We are not sure whether we ever reported the arrival of Stephen Carlysle in September, 1950, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carlysle Pemberton Jr., 126 McArthur Drive at Louisville 7, Kentucky.

Lynn and Arad-Dene Scheele-Wolaver have a son, Stephen Arthur, born last September 4.

Our congratulations go forward

# Early Illinois Member Taken By Death Feb. 25

We regret to report the passing on February 25, 1951, of Hiram W. Elliott, a member of the first group initiated by Illinois Chapter of Acacia.

Brother Elliott was a widelyknown contractor and supervised the construction of the Kansas City Union Station. He was 66 years old.

Bro. Elliott was president of the Hiram Elliott Construction company, a firm which has built numerous churches and commercial structures in Kansas City and North Kansas City in the last two decades. The firm was established in 1929.

In addition to constructing many churches, Mr. Elliott was a devout and energetic church worker. He was active in the mission field. He the Christian church, and took a leading part in the work of the Mexican Christian church. He was a member and trustee of the Oak Park Christian church, a trustee of the United Christian Missionary society, Disciples of Christ, Indianapolis, and the Christian Church commission.

Bro. Elliott was a Mason and a member of the Engineers club, the Downtown Kiwanis club, the Builders Association of Kansas City and the Chambers of Commerce of Kansas City and North Kansas

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Albertina Elliott; three sons, Robert W. Elliott, Edwin A. Elliott, and Raymond H. Elliott; a daughter, Mrs. W. C. Bedford; a sister, Mrs. O. W. Anschuetz.

#### HOMECOMING IS NOV. 10

Illinois' Homecoming game next fall will be with the Hawkeyes of Iowa on November 10, it has been announced. All you Acacia alumni planning to attend can put a circle around that date on your calendar

Other special dates are: September 29, "I" Men's Day with UCLA playing here; and November 3, Dad's Day, with Michigan as the opponent.

Other week-ends this spring on which there wil lbe Big Ten baseball games: Indiana is playing here for two games April 27-28; Minnesota on May 18-19, and Northwestern, May 25-26.

# Read This Latest News From Our Acacia Alumni Everywhere

Our thanks go to Bro. E. Wing Anderson, 2121 West 9th Street, Los Angeles 6, Calif., for a copy of his 7th book just published, titled "1952—The Year of Crisis." Wing is in charge of Kosmon Industries.

Dorsey S. Dayton '26, of 727 25th Street, Santa Monica, Calif., was in a hospital because of a heart attack. One day a Masonic representative in talking to Dorsey told him another Acacian was in the same hospital and he never dreamed it would turn out to be Charles E. (Chuck) Niehaus of Illinois chapter. He says they fought the battle of 501 E. Daniel several times and if Luke Archer's and Luke Lyon's ears did not burn, it was not their fault. By the way, Chuck Niehaus' address is 12222 Richeon Street, Downey, Calif.

John R. Graham '47, our able song leader when he was in the undergraduate chapter, is still at Columbia working for a Prof. Diploma "Specialist in Music Education" and also is Assistant in Music and Music Education to the head of Instrumental Music department.

Ralph D. Cuthbert '27, 8 Constance Ave., Dayton, Ohio, is still at Stivers high school but is not doing any more coaching or officiating. This has been the main reason why he has been unable to get back to the campus, especially on Homecoming days. Conditions will soon change because he will have a daughter entering Illinois this fall. Ralph also gives us the news that Bro. Paul Wright is now Mayor of Gunnison, Colorado.

Wilbur B. Pings '32, 4924 Wolf Road, Western Springs, Illinois, is Director of Research for the Witco Chemical Company in Chicago.

Another one of our "Chemists" is Harry N. Tatomer '37, who has not been back to the campus since he graduated 14 years ago, was here for the dedication of the new Chemical Engineering building on March 31st.

John J. (Jack) Williams '49 is expecting to be called back into the Air Force. He thinks his assignment will be Research and Development work at Wright Field, and will be doing engineering work.

Harold G. (Ping) Wolfram '23, a ceramic engineer is now located at 2042 Harwitch Road, Columbus 12, Ohio. He tells us that he liked the December issue of the HELLO. George J. M. Dayiantes '50 is a busy man. He is in the insurance business and his motto is "Insure with me today and be safe tomorrow." He tells us that if you don't want insurance maybe you need milk, he is also affiliated with the Borden's Milk company.

Thomas C. Hayden '25 tells us that he changed locations this year and is superintendent of schools at Lost Springs, Kansas. It is a small town situated in a large oil territory and wheat country. He writes:

"We have an excellent rural high school. Mrs. Hayden is in charge of the library, and commerce department. Thomas C. Jr. is a senior in forestry this year at Oklahoma A. & M., Stillwater, Okla. He is junior dean of the A. & M. chapter and has lived in the house three years. Our daughter has three children and lives in McPherson, Kansas, where her husband is a diesel engineer for the City Utilities company."

Here is news about Robert J. Fellows '50, now in the life insurance business in Urbana:

"Married Karen Meldahl in 1949. I have a daughter, Susan, eleven months old. I see Homer T. Moore and Jean quite often and keep in touch with them through letters. They are expecting a baby in February '51, which will probably follow in his father's footsteps! (What if it should be a girl! Be kind of fun to have a co-cd in Acacia.) Tom and Jean have an apartment at 7556 South Coles, Chicago 49."

Fellows lives at 814 West Main, Urbana.

Sidney E. Ekblaw '29 is as busy now as he was when VD of the chapter. He recently wrote:

"Still Prof. of Geography and chairman of the department of geology at the University of Kansas City. Served as chairman of Campus Community Chest Drive in October.

"Chairman of Men's Scout Committee for Troup 116 for 1951. Our son, Keith, 12 years old, is a First Class Scout and will soon be a Star Scout. Our daughter, Linda, 9 years old, has been a Brownie, and will soon go into Girl Scouts.

12, Ohio. He tells us that he liked "Last August the family took a the December issue of the HELLO."

New Mexico. Spent one day riding horseback and 'jeepback' over a 12,000-acre ranch in the panhandle of Oklahoma; a week at Los Vegas, fishing, sightseeing, and geologizing; four days at Taos, and then a swing up into southern Colorado, visiting the great sand dunes national monument and the Spanish Peaks area."

The Ekblaw home is at 5810 Wayne Avenue, Kansas City 4, Mo.

William W (Wally) Watkins '43 sends us this note:

"Just a short note to tell you that I received the December issue of "The Hello" and enjoyed it very much. As you can see by my return address, I am back in the service via request of Uncle Sam. Am at present with Battery A, 235 FAOB, Camp McCoy, Wis. They have wonderful winter weather here—42 below zero the other day." Home address: Lacon, Illinois.

Donald L. Foote '47 and Franciei Foote have moved into their new home at 2800 Lak Drive, Route 3, Evansville, Ind. Don has just completed his third year as geologist with Sam D. Jarvis, oil producer, 1005 Hulman Bldg., Evansville, and would appreciate hearing from anyone in this area.

Don's brother, Bob, is now located at 4530 Brandywine, N. W., Washington, D. C. He is working on his Ph.D. in physics at the University of Maryland and working in the nation's capitol.

Kenneth H. Gordon '20, assistant electric engineer of the Pennsylvania Railroad and dad of Ken Jr. writes:

"About the only news I have of interest is that Ken Jr. is back in the Medical Corps and is stationed at Valley Forge General Hospital, doing psychiatric work. He had completed one and a half years of his psychiatric residency before going into the army. He reported for duty on January 2, 1951." The Gordon Sr. home is at 2720 Eldon Avenue, Drexel Hill, Pa.

We thank Fred W. Hartman '49 for telling us that:

"The last edition of The Hello was very good. The editors and staff are to be commended.

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"I'm still in the diesel engine business, which at the present time is very good. There is absolutely nothing of importance going on around here-not so's you can notice it, anyway."

Thanks to Fred for the address information. Fred's home is at 144 W. Madison Street, Villa Park.

Leonard V. (Jimmie) James still resides at 437 Sixth Avenue, La-Grange, Illinois, where he now has his "office" in the second floor study, as an illuminating engineering consultant. Jimmie was retired by the General Electric Lamp department on June 30, 1949. His chief complaint as an independent consultant is that the income tax cuts too severely into his accumulation of fees.

Jimmie's two Acacia sons are his pride and joy, and that of Mrs. Jimmie. Bob (Robert M.), taught in the College of Commerce at Illinois until last fall, when he became an assistant professor of accountancy at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N. C. He has recently been elected a member of the American Institute of Accountants and had a second article published in the "Accounting Review." With everything completed for his Ph.D. except the final draft of his thesis, Bob is giving all of his spare time to this in the hope of beating his Uncle Sam to the tape. Spare time, however, does not exclude his children, David and Nancy, of whom he and Lynn (Illinois Tri-Delt) are properly proud. Their address, 39F Glen Lennox, Chapel Hill.

Bill, the younger brother, completed the scientific training program of General Electric in 1949 and entered upon regular employment as a graduate chemical engineer in the lamp development laboratory of the company at Nela Park, Cleveland, where he is nursing phosphors-the powders which change ordinary glass tubes into fluorescent lamps. At their home, 2412 Malden Road, Cleveland 21, he and Betty (Iowa State Tri-Delt) nurse the youngest Jimmie-Richard, born December 4, 1950.

Jimmie talked to the student chapter of the Illuminating Engineering Society at the University on January 10, on the subject "The Versatile Illuminating Engineer,"

but he said it was a case of in and out and he didn't get to the house. He is a Fellow and Life Member of the I.E.S. One of his big jobs is the preparation of monthly articles on lighting for Institutions Magazine, a 50,000 circulation magazine for those interested in mass housing and mass feeding-hotels, hospitals, schools, restaurants, etc. He says a fraternity would get much more benefit out of it than represented by the cost of subscriptionsuggests the house manager look over a few copies at the library. He offered a bulk rate of 50% off on three subscriptions.

Captain Robert E. (Bob) Davis, now living at 5317 8th Road So., Arlington 4, Va., wrote us the following interesting item regarding Alaska:

"Lois and the children are about to return to the United States with me in a few weeks. Our second daughter, Donna Lee, was born here at Adak on August 22.

"Expect to be assigned to Washington, D. C., and if so, hope to stop by the house sometime in February or March.

"Adak is an island near the top of the Aleutian chain. It is quite a place-no trees or bushes. Only tundra grass, and little of that. There are beautiful mountains, though, which provide good slopes for skiing.

"The one thing for which Adak is famous is its weather. It changes

blinding snow or rain-sometimes both. (Of course, all of these do not happen every hour.) Every week or so we have a slight earthquake just for excitement. There are numerous active volcanoes in the vicinity. A geologist's dream. Strangely enough our local expert from the geological survey is named Austin Jones, but he claims no relationship to Acacia's Brother Austin Jones.

## Impact of Mobilization Drops U of I Enrollment

semester registration stands at 15,151, compared with 17,872 a year ago, a drop of 15.22 percent. This is a loss of 2,721 students. The largest drop was in veterans, a decrease of 3,005 in that class, or 39.63 percent. There are still 4,578 veterans on campus this semester.

Including the professional colleges and Navy Pier, Illinois has a total of 19,780 students-a decrease of 2,984, or 13.11 percent.

Liberal Arts leads with 3,576; engineering, 1,794, and commerce 1,785; graduate college, 3,444.

The big question is what will be the male enrollment next September? The University seems to be making plans to take care of over 5,000 ROTC students who will first be assigned to the residence halls.

We hear that a number of the larger fraternities are undermanned this semester with little chance hourly! From lovely sunshine to to fill their ranks because non-fra-'williwaw' with 80-knot winds and ternity men have room contracts.

#### BROTHER ACACIANS! HOW ABOUT SOME NEWS

The Hello depends in a large measure for its news of the activities of its alumni members scattered all over the U. S. on these very alumni themselves . . . because you know we just can't ask each one personally what he is doing, where he is living, and get other interesting bits of information to pass on to your classmates and fellows you knew in the house that they would like to hear.

So . . . We do the next best thing . . . we send you a handy NEWS BLANK and a®k you to send us your news, so that we in turn can give you and all the other Acacia alumni a more newsy publication packed with the information about the members you want to read about.

How about it, alumni . . . won't you please send us your NEWS BLANK right away? We'll surely be glad to hear from you!