

## Four New Instructors Are Added to Faculty

New Members of Staff Bring  
Impressive Records of  
Past Work

Staunton Military Academy announces the appointment of four new instructors and a new librarian for this session. Two of these will fill vacancies left by Captains Cooksey and Thomas, who resigned to take up other work.

Captain Walter Benton McCall comes to Staunton with rich military school experience. Following his graduation from college, he was head of the Math department at Massanutten Military Academy and Assistant Commandant for a period of four years. For the next two years he was the Commandant of Cadets at the Shenandoah Valley Military Academy, Winchester, Virginia.

Captain McCall received his A.B. degree from the Presbyterian College, Clinton, South Carolina. While in college he was cadet captain in the R.O. T.C. unit, captain and manager of the tennis team, member of Sigma Kappa Alpha (general scholastic) and Chi Beta Phi (scientific) honorary fraternities and also of the Math Club.

With this rich experience as a teacher and in the military work of the military school, Captain McCall will be a strong addition to our Math department and will be able to render great assistance to Major Louisell in the R.O.T.C. work of the Academy.

Captain Maurice M. Collins joins the Staunton Military Academy faculty as an experienced teacher of Spanish and commercial subjects.

Captain Collins received his college education at V. M. I., the University of Virginia, and Otterbein College. He was a member of the S.A.T.C. during the World War. He received his A.B. degree from Otterbein College in 1922.

Captain Collins began teaching Spanish in the Wilson High School, Waynesboro, Virginia, in the autumn of 1922. The following year he received an appointment through the War Department as Special Instructor in the U. S. Government schools in Porto Rico. He served in Porto Rico for several years until he was returned to the United States on extended leave to recuperate from an attack of malarial fever.

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## Miss Showalter Succeeds Capt. Thomas as Librarian

Miss Leta Cassell Showalter, of Cross Keys, Virginia, will be Librarian for the coming session. Miss Showalter was graduated with a B.A. from Bridgewater College as valedictorian of the class of 1927. During her college career she took an active part in college activities, serving as vice-president of the Student Government, president of the Y. W. C. A., and editor of the College Year Book.

Since her graduation she has taken her library course at Virginia, taught English and Foreign Language and served as part time Librarian in the Secondary Schools of Virginia.

### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Oct. 2 (Friday), W. and L. freshmen at Staunton; Oct. 10, Mercersburg Academy at Mercersburg, Pa.; Oct. 17, C. V. freshmen at Staunton; Oct. 24, Massanutten Military Academy at Staunton; Oct. 31, Fishburne Military School at Waynesboro; Nov. 7, Devitt School at Staunton; Nov. 14, U. S. Naval Academy plebes at Annapolis; Nov. 20 (Friday), Augusta Military Academy at Staunton; Nov. 26 (Thanksgiving Day), Fork Union Military Academy at Staunton.

## Football Captain



**SPUHLER**  
Captain and half back, who is temporarily out of the line-up because of a leg injury.

## S.M.A. Holds W.&L. Frosh To Tie In First Game

Team at Mercersburg Tomorrow  
for Homecoming Day  
Celebration

S. M. A. opened the 1936 football season last Friday with the Frosh from Washington and Lee University. The game was played on Kable Field and ended in a tie score, 19-19.

W. and L. started the ball rolling in the first few minutes with a quick touchdown. They missed their kick and left the score at 6-0. Coach Howie then put in an entire new team. In the last half of the first quarter, they began a drive that was not to end until they had equaled the six points their opponents had made.

The first quarter ended with S. M. A. only a few yards from the goal, and the beginning of the second saw them go over for their first touchdown. Failing to get the extra point left the score at 6-6. Shortly after receiving the ball W. and L. completed a pass for a gain which was just ten yards short of another touchdown. In the next few plays they went over for the second time, kicked the goal, and the score was 13-6. Soon after S. M. A. again tied the score at 13-13.

The second half saw W. and L. go down the field for three successive first downs which eventually led to another touchdown. The battle was hard fought throughout the rest of the game, one side making a few yards, then the other recapturing the lost territory. With only a few minutes to play, S. M. A. completed a long pass and went over to tie the score again at 19-19.

## Staunton Participates In Co-Operative Study

Yesterday, representatives of the six regional associations of colleges and secondary schools of the United States were at Staunton making, chiefly by means of academic tests, an experimental study of secondary school standards in the interest of a nation-wide study of the qualities of a good preparatory school.

Staunton has the honor of being the only private preparatory school in the State of Virginia to be chosen for this study. At present secondary schools are accredited chiefly on the basis of organization and physical equipment. This study hopes to make it possible for academic excellence to play a greater part in accreditation. Staunton was chosen to participate in this study because of her recognized academic efficiency.

## Cotillion Club Plans One Dance A Month

Local Alumni are Expected to  
Bring Their Own  
Escorts

As announced in the school catalogue, the Cotillion Club, now directed by Captain Godshalk, assisted by Captain Lehman, is keenly interested in the social life of the school and takes an active part in planning, arranging, and decorating for our informal and formal dances. The Club plans to arrange for one dance each month. It is now hoped that the first informal dance of the year can be arranged for Saturday, October 17th.

It is the purpose of the school to make our dances very enjoyable social functions and to keep the expense of them limited in a way that will permit many boys to attend these social events.

In accordance with the custom of previous years, Alumni visiting the school are invited to attend these dances. Since there is always a larger number of cadets present than invited guests from the neighboring schools and town, local Alumni attending the dances will be expected to bring their own escorts.

## Cadet "Y" Discusses Plans For Year at First Meeting

The cadet Y. M. C. A. held its first meeting of the year in the Library last Tuesday evening, immediately after supper. The officers, Captain Pence, and a few cadets were present.

This meeting was devoted chiefly to a discussion of plans for the year. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that the activities of the "Y" should grow out of the interests of its members and out of any opportunities to serve the corps that may occur.

It was decided that the "Y" should hold its regular meetings every other Sunday night in the library immediately after supper. The next regular meeting will be October 18th. It was decided to devote this meeting to a discussion of the relation of the "Y" to the honor code and to invite Capt. A. N. Cox to lead this discussion.

The officers, elected last spring to serve until next spring, are: president, Seiberling; vice-president, Méads, D. E.; secretary, Bissell; treasurer, Shaw, C. B. These officers and the other members of the "Y" extend a cordial invitation to any other members of the cadet corps to attend the regular meetings and to become active members of the organization.

Capt. J. Worth Pence is the faculty adviser.

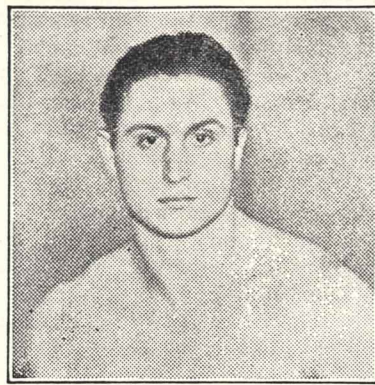
## Corps Hears Revised Honor System Explained And History of Staunton's Code by Capt. Pence

At a recent morning assembly the entire period was devoted to the explaining of the Staunton Honor Code, Captain Pence being the speaker. He stated that in the near future each cadet in the corps would be given a framed copy of the Code to sign and keep in his room upon his desk or wall.

In reviewing the history of Staunton's Honor System, Captain Pence gave September 30, 1923, as the date that S. M. A.'s first honor code was drawn up. He emphasized the fact that it originated in the minds of the cadet corps, after which it was presented to the Superintendent, Colonel Thomas H. Russell, for his approval. He also emphasized the fact that last year the Honor Committee and a majority of the corps felt that some revision was necessary, and that the faculty committee made only such changes as the Honor Committee and the corps desired.

It was pointed out by Captain Pence that the Honor Code is not a

## Olympic Star



**PETER FICK**  
Star of last year's S. M. A. swimming team, scores in Olympic meet.

## Peter Fick Member Of U. S. A. Olympic Team

Holds World Record of 56.6  
Seconds for 100 Meter  
Swim

Peter Fick, leading point scorer and undefeated star of last season's S. M. A. swimming team, was chosen to represent the United States as the leading 100-meter sprinter of the Olympic swimming team at the eleventh Olympic games held in Berlin, Germany, this summer. On July 16, together with the other 400 members of the U. S. A. Olympic team, he sailed from New York on the liner, "Manhattan", landing ten days later at Hamburg, Germany, and finishing the journey to Berlin by train.

After a most enthusiastic reception in the capital the athletes were escorted to their attractive quarters in the picturesque "Olympic Village", just outside the city limits, where the 52 competing nations with their 52 special kitchens were fed and housed. Here the American swimmers encountered their first bad luck at their initial practice in finding the water in the Olympic pool much colder than that to which they had been accustomed.

On Saturday morning, August 8, the swimming championship preliminaries were held in the Olympic pool, and Fick swam to a brilliant victory in his heat in the good time of 57.6 seconds, leading the field by a decisive margin, despite the fact that he had been handicapped in practice by bad weather and over-training.

That same afternoon the semi-finals took place, and again Fick displayed sensational speed in the last 25 meters to qualify for the all-important next day's finals.

On Sunday morning, August 9, before a cheering crowd that complete-

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## SMA Begins 77th Year With Roster Increased One Hundred Cadets

North Barracks is Reopened  
to Take Care of New  
Enrollment

## FOUR MEN ARE ADDED TO TEACHING STAFF

Staunton Military Academy began the seventy-seventh year on Wednesday, September 16th, with an enrollment of one hundred more boys than the enrollment of the past year. This three-quarter century old Honor School has boys from more than three-fourths of the States of the Union and from many foreign countries. The wide distribution of her enrollment illustrates how well the school is known all over the world. Staunton was named the first Honor School of the South by the War Department, and for many years was the only Honor School among the Southern military schools.

North Barracks, not used for several years, has been opened again this year for the increase in the enrollment. The Junior School has been completely renovated during the summer and additional rooms have been provided to take care of the increase in the Junior Company's enrollment. Men were busy during the entire summer making all of the needed improvements in the school—painting and making Staunton's equipment what it has always been in the past—one of the best.

Four additional men have been added to the faculty and others will be named as the enrollment continues to increase. With the exception of five or six boys not able to return because of conditions in their homes, every available Staunton cadet of the past year is in this year's enrollment. The school looks forward to a very successful and happy year and hopes to make an added contribution to Staunton's great work and history of the past three-quarter century.

## Diagnostic Tests Are Given English Classes

English III and IV pupils have been given the Pierce-Presey Diagnostic tests in English Composition. These tests, which measure the cadet's abilities in Capitalization, Punctuation, Grammar, and Sentence Structure, have, since 1926, been administered twice each year—in September and May—to all cadets in the higher classes. Scores and results are now being worked out and will be available to each pupil within a week.

Thursday morning, during the regular English period, reading tests were administered. Each cadet at Staunton is required to take these tests, which are designed to measure the pupil in respect to his speed and comprehension in silent reading.

## DANCING CLASSES START WITH ABOUT 30 BEGINNERS

On Tuesday afternoon dancing classes started under the direction of Mrs. Alger Haun, who is an experienced dancer and has taught dancing for several years at S. M. A. The classes meet twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. About thirty cadets have enrolled for the first set which includes a series of ten.

## STAUNTON BAND WILL GO TO THE MERCERSBURG GAME

The band will accompany the football team to Mercersburg on October 10. It will leave early Saturday morning in a chartered bus, stopping at Hagerstown, Maryland, for lunch and arriving at Mercersburg about an hour before the game.

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## Captain W. S. Thomas

(Editorial in Staunton Evening Leader)

The resignation of Capt. W. S. Thomas, chaplain at the Staunton Military Academy, after sixteen years of high class service there, is a notable event in Staunton and deserves consideration on the part of the public. In that time he has performed signal service for the institution. He was able at the start to win the confidence of the boys and young men who came to the school as students, and they looked upon him as their friend to whom they might go with their troubles confident that he would lead safely along the right path. On account of this close association with the young fellows, the parents were also drawn to him, and he was thus a powerful influence in holding attachment to the school on the part of many students, and in influencing them to come back again.

Returning to the active Methodist ministry in which he was doing notable work with the young people, he will doubtless resume with ardor active work in the ministry, especially with the young people wherever he may be sent to labor. The people of Staunton will feel a warm interest in his career henceforth. He is already a welcome visitor to Staunton pulpits and doubtless will continue to be.

### CANTEEN PROFITS GO TO CADET ACTIVITIES THROUGH TREAS.

The Staunton Military Academy Canteen was operated in recent years by different members of our organization but at all times the profits of the Canteen have been used to support student activities. That plan will not be changed and the profits of the Canteen will go to the support of school activities such as The Kablegram (if help is needed), the Cotillion Club, athletics, or other organizations supporting the interest and life of the school and not financially able to carry themselves. In order to assure the best results for the Canteen, the financial management of it is now being placed in charge of the school Treasurer. All bills for the Canteen will be paid by him and the receipts will be turned over to the Treasurer's office each day. This plan will enable the Treasurer to see that the Canteen is making the fair profit it is entitled to make and the Treasurer's office will be in a position at all times to tell the leaders of different student activities to what extent help may be secured from the Canteen, supported by the student body. The school will not use the profits of this store, but will give the Canteen's entire financial strength to the different student activities.

## Capt. Thomas, Chaplain at S. M. A. 16 Years, Resigns

Captain Walter S. Thomas, chaplain of Staunton Military Academy for a number of years, has resigned to re-enter the Methodist ministry.

Captain Thomas, who resides at 213 East Frederick street, has been active in religious affairs at the Academy for sixteen years, and numbers his friends among the "old boys" by the thousands. He was not only chaplain at the school, but also served as faculty adviser of the Cadet "Y," librarian, and banker of the cadets' personal accounts.

Captain Thomas' resignation, dated July 6, and submitted to Colonel Middour, follows:

"In the fall of 1920 I gave up my work as assistant pastor of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of this city, in order to accept the invitation of Colonel Thomas H. Russell, to become the post chaplain of the Staunton Military Academy.

"During these years it has been my privilege and pleasure to know many young men as they came to the academy, and to endeavor to serve them in such way as I could. I have become deeply attached to our youth and my association with them has been a delightful experience.

"However, I am convinced that each year I continue in this work it will become increasingly difficult for me to readjust myself to the work of the pastorate, and for that reason I am handing you my resignation to become effective at a date to be agreed upon.

"I very greatly appreciate every consideration which has been shown me, and I shall always cherish the many friendships formed among the faculty and cadets of the academy."

## Literary Society Holds First 1936-37 Meeting

With its first meeting of the session 1936-37, the Woodrow Wilson Literary Society began its seventeenth year of continuous organization. The officers and committees of the society have promised to introduce some innovations into this session's activities, which will tend to make meetings more interesting and inviting.

The literary society is purely a cadet organization, officered and controlled by pupils at Staunton. Cadet Bradstreet was elected last session to serve as president; Cadets Campbell and Montgomery are secretary and treasurer, respectively. Those interested in joining should submit their application to one of these officers or to Major Brice, faculty adviser.

Meetings are held weekly in the society room, South Barracks. Attendance is not restricted to members; anyone interested is invited to be present at the next meeting.

## Honor System Explained

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ever when doing any Honor written work.

3—Refrain from giving any assistance to any one on honor written work.

4—Observe the many safeguards of the Honor Code, such as refraining from leaving the examination room when any other cadet is out of the room, from sitting closer to any other cadet than is absolutely necessary, from bringing books or scratch paper to the examination room; by keeping all written work out of sight or turned with blank side up when taking tests or examinations.

5—Take some action in case any violations of the Honor Code is observed. This action may range from advice and warning up to the official report to the Honor Committee.

It is understood that honor written work includes all tests and examinations and such home-work, themes, note-books, etc., as any individual instructor may designate.

## Letters From Old Boys

Clyde A. Winchell, '06, gets a kick out of George Wing's letter, and does some reminiscing of his own, which we pass on to other old boys. The Kablegram especially likes to receive communications such as the one below, and invites and solicits alumni to send them in.

Shokan, N. Y.,  
May 17, 1936.

Editor, The Kablegram,  
Staunton Military Academy,  
Staunton, Va.  
Dear Sir:

It was a most agreeable surprise, upon opening the May 8th issue of your excellent paper, to find an interesting communication from Geo. D. Wing, '06, whom I remember very well. We old timers of the alumni crowd positively get a great kick out of hearing from fellows who shared our happy days at Staunton in the early part of the present century. I suppose that many, as in my own case, procrastinate in the matter of writing to The Kablegram, however much they enjoy keeping in touch with the old associations.

Wing, in the course of his letter, mentions Buzz Crawford, Norm Robblee, Dutch Horn, Arthur Fant, and Juvenal, all of whom I recall. There were, as he adds, about "200 more," and I still have a picture in my mind's eye of practically every mother's son of 'em. Among my best friends were Newell Kerr, Peyton Hale, Crawford, Robblee, Percy Sloan, McCord and others. Of the "Fairmont Crowd," from West Virginia, there were Mason, Linn, Suduth and Garrison (these husky lads just about ran the school in 1903-4), also Hutcheson, who made a name for himself in football, though paralyzed in one arm. During my last year I roomed with Kerr, N., who was adjutant and later studied medicine.

Horn is in San Antonio; Scott Smith, giant of our class and senior captain, resides in Warrensburg, N. Y., where I visited him several years ago. Bloom, '09, I see occasionally, and Paul James, my cousin, lives in Shokan. Juvenal was a good horseman, I recall, while Hale once saddled and rode a wild "hoss" just received from the West by a Staunton liveryman. Does Wing recall how "Speedy" Brooks, a great lady-killer, once beat in the head of his drum during a parade part the V.F.I. (now M.B.C.)? And the epochal fist fight in the gym of the old wooden barracks between Bessemer, the ex-sailor from McKeesport, and Robblee? Then there were the chestnut hunts on Betsy Bell, trips to the caves, Confederate reunion parades in which we marched, lectures from "Young Bill" Kable on causing worry to the dear head ladies at Mary Baldwin, football games with Fishburne's and others which often wound up in a free-for-all (don't mean maybe). Happiest days of my life, I sometimes think.

Capt. Wm. H. Kable—tall, straight as a ramrod, and the typical old Confederate veteran—teaching Vergil and Cicero from leather-bound books in the basement of the brick house; throwing sinkers, made of dough from the hot biscuits, at dining hall; going to the circus after Captains Bill Kable and Claude Daniel (Damon and Pythias) had issued a decree against it, and then getting caught in the side show by Capt. John Kable and another instructor. Hiding our morning bottle of milk in the attic of the old barracks, before this barn-like structure burned down, and crashing through the plaster to the hall below. Being allowed to continue trigonometry final exam during the noon hour by Major Tom Russell (there was a man!) whilst the major went to lunch and left us alone without any honor system to guide us.

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# ALUMNI SECTION

## Alumni Summer Visitors

Among alumni who visited the academy during last summer were:

W. R. Dodd, class of 1908. Mr. Dodd took a look at his old room in South Barracks, 212, where he lived as a cadet.

Joe Gawler, '32, of 4416 Brandywine St., N. W., Washington, D. C. Joe was accompanied by Mrs. Gawler and their little son.

Edgar S. Moses, '21, who is assistant manager of Globe Furniture Co., of Charleston, W. Va.

Julian E. Barbour, '22, who was on his way to Reserve Officers Training Camp.

S. Maryn, '20, representative of the United Iron and Metal Co. of Pittsburgh.

Rex Hardy, '08, attorney and counselor, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton F. Thompson, of Toledo. O. Thompson, who was here 1922-25, is a reporter on the Toledo News-Bee, and has been in newspaper work in this country and in the orient for ten years. (He got his start as a reporter for The Kablegram.)

D. W. Miller, 1904, of Jenkintown, Pa.

Irving J. Cahill, '17, of Atlanta, Ga., with Mrs. Cahill and little daughter.

F. W. Trippensee, '25, of 1775 Broadway, N. Y.

Otto S. Pumphrey, ex-'30, with Mrs. Pumphrey, of Meadows, Md.

J. Philip Sell, '31, who is connected with Hess Brothers Department Store, Allentown, Pa.

C. E. Bieneman, '24, of Baltimore, Md.

Harold C. Harrison, '26, who has been teaching at Cornell. Harrison was bantamweight on Capt. Joe Taylor's first boxing team here, and commanded the Junior company.

John S. Wilder, Jr., ex-'28, employed in the Department of Commerce at Washington.

Col. Lawrence S. Churchill, 1908, Middletown Air Port, Pa.

John H. Nicholson, Jr., ex-'29, Batesville, Va.

L. L. Harr, '20, with Mrs. Harr, National Cash Register Co., Dayton, Ohio.

R. O. Brosius, ex-'17, with wife and daughter. Their address is 3301 Central Ave., Middletown, O.

Enoch Totten, 'ex-28, and Mrs. Totten, of Alexandria, Va.

Captain J. E. McGraw, '20, with his 11-year-old son. McGraw was on his way to the Philippines, where he will be stationed for two years. He had just visited with his room-mate at S. M. A., Dr. Paul Fuller, '20, of Kalamazoo, Mich.

Philip A. Ley, ex-'30, with his wife, of Youngstown, O.

Arthur J. Somyak, '34.

## ALUMNI NOTES

Fred C. Foy, '24, who has been living in San Francisco, Calif., stopped by Staunton this week. Foy, who has been advertising manager of the Shell Oil Co. on the Pacific coast, has recently been transferred to New York in a similar capacity with Shell Eastern Petroleum Products Inc. Foy was editor-in-chief of The Kablegram two years, captain of Company "A" his senior year, and an outstanding student. He lives in Scarsdale, N. Y., where he has a family of two girls and a boy. His office is in Rockefeller Center.

A. M. Rockwell, '30, flew down from Bristol, Conn., last week end for a short visit to the school. Rockwell is in the research department of the Pratt-Whitney Co., manufacturers of airplanes.

Fred Fidler, x-25, who has been manager of the J. Walter Thompson Co. in San Francisco for the past several years, has been promoted and

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## ALUMNI ITEMS

By T. V. LITZENBURG

The Dalton brothers (J. and G.), S. M. A. 1933 and 1934 respectively, are now attending the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. I had the pleasure of meeting Jack in Camden Station, Baltimore, in June, when he was on his way to Chicago to participate in a track and field meet. Old boys will remember that both the Daltons were noted for their accomplishments on the track team during their stay at S. M. A. Had a long talk with Jack and we both enjoyed recalling old times.

Byron D. (Chip) Gilbert, '31, is being kept pretty busy at Clark's, Inc., in Washington, in his capacity as manager of the store. I haven't seen him for some time, but understand that he is doing fine.

Joe Gawler, '32, seems to have all the business he can handle, too. Paid him a brief visit short time ago at his home in Washington. Although I did not have the pleasure of seeing Joe, Jr., the pictures of him are mighty cute. From the way "Daddy" talks, Junior is the tops—and I believe it.

E. Hillier (Izzie) Walton, '32, honored me with two visits this summer. I shouldn't be surprised to hear one of these days that Izzie has taken unto himself a wife. Since the closing of school last spring Izzie has joined the Westinghouse Electric Co. at Newark, N. J., and tells me that he likes his new position much better than the old one he had.

Cal Griffith, '31, now secretary of the Chattanooga (Tenn.) baseball club, had his picture in a number of the eastern seaboard papers recently the result of a misunderstanding with an umpire during a game. Both Joe Gawler and I saw the pictures, and we agreed that living down South must be doing Cal a lot of good—he looks fine and is quite evidently wrapped up in his work.

Richard North, '32, is working at home (Cumberland, Md.) Have seen him several times this summer when up there on business.

While on one of my periodical trips through Western Maryland I was walking on the main street of Cumberland and ran into Major Robert Sterrett. Old boys will remember the Major as head of the mathematics department at the academy for a number of years. The Major is now making his home and teaching in Monterey, Va., about forty miles from Staunton. He has changed little since I last saw him, and is still as jovial and pleasant as ever. Was a great treat to talk to him.

George Kolb, '31, of Havre de Grace, Md., is working at the Customs House in Baltimore. I see him occasionally on the street and we always stop and chat for a few minutes. If Cal Perley reads this George sends his best. He told me to give Cal his regards the next time I wrote—which I have not done recently.

R. K. Smith, '30, is now located in Chicago. Joe Gawler saw him in Washington some time ago, and tells me that R. K. now has a son and heir of whom he is rightly proud.

As for myself, well, I am still with Stein Bros. & Boyce in Baltimore, plugging along and trying to out-guess the stock market. Have recently started to travel for the firm through western Maryland, West Virginia, and western Pennsylvania. I hope to be able soon to extend my territory to Virginia so that I may get to Staunton occasionally. Anyway, I hope that over the next ten years I'll be able to save up enough to send Tommy, Jr., to S. M. A. Joe Gawler and I have agreed to let both boys get together soon, so that they will be acquainted before they enter the academy.

**Capt. G. B. Taylor Conducts 13th European Cruise**

Visits Twelve Countries With a Party of Ten Students

With a group of ten boys from eastern private schools and with the Olympic Games at Berlin as the high light of the summer's tour, Capt. G. Bingham Taylor conducted his thirteenth annual private school trip to Europe with an interesting journey to twelve different countries, sailing from New York, July 6, on the "Normandie" of the French line, and returning to the U. S. A. September 9, on the "Bremen."

The two most exciting experiences of the trip were the attacks of the French strikers on their party and other Americans, at Nice on the Riviera on July 26, and the thrill of seeing our S. M. A. star, Peter Fick, score for the U. S. A. in the 100 meter swim at the Olympic Games in Berlin on August 9.

Starting from Paris and Versailles, Capt. Taylor and his party followed their usual itinerary through the battlefields of the Marne and the Argonne into Belgium. From Brussels they went into Holland to spend a few days at Amsterdam. Then they took the fascinating trip up the Rhine by steamer all the way to Switzerland, stopping at Cologne, Coblenz, Heidelberg, and Strassbourg en route. Crossing Switzerland to Geneva they motored to Mont Blanc for two days of Alpine mountain-climbing. Then they traveled down the valley of the Rhone to Lyons, Avignon, Grenoble, and Marseilles, going along the Riviera to Nice and Monte Carlo, and from there into Italy to visit Milan, Florence, Rome, Naples, Mt. Vesuvius, and Venice.

From Italy they traveled north into Austria to see Vienna. From there they journeyed to Oberammergau, Friedrichshafen, Munich, Nurnberg, Weimar, Bayreuth, Dresden, Leipzig, and the Olympic Games at Berlin. From Germany's capital they went into Denmark to stay at Copenhagen. From there they took a small steamer to the city of Goteborg in Sweden. From Sweden they sailed across the North Sea to Edinburgh for a short trip to the west coast of Scotland. Sailing from Glasgow they reached Dublin for a brief stay. From Dublin they sailed to Liverpool for a motor ride to the English lakes and the journey through Stratford-on-Avon, Oxford, Windsor, and London to Southampton, where they saw the liner "Queen Mary" dock after setting a new transatlantic record of 3 days, 23 hours, and 57 minutes.

**FALL TENNIS TOURNAMENT GETS UNDER WAY THIS WEEK**

During the past week a meeting was called for all those cadets interested in playing tennis, at which time Captain Biscoe, tennis coach, disclosed the plans for a fall tournament. Entries were made, the drawing of opponents concluded, and the matches started Wednesday afternoon. By having a fall tournament Capt. Biscoe can get a line on the prospects for the spring varsity tennis team.

Three members of last year's team are back this year, Aurand, captain of this year's team, Krug, and Tremble.

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**Fourteen Staunton Cadets Attend Summer R.O.T.C. Camp**

Staunton cadets at R.O.T.C. camp at Fort Washington this summer numbered fourteen. Of that number the nine who had completed three years of Military Science were Armstrong, Borda, Foran, Greene, Kehs, Knight, McAdoo, Tappen, and Wayne. Upon completion of M. S. IV in June they will receive certificates of eligibility for entrance into the O. R. C. and can become second lieutenants at the age of 21. The remaining five cadets—DeLiberty, Frickey, Goode, Owen, and Wonson—having had four years work to their credit, received their certificates at camp. DeLiberty, who has attained his majority, is now a second lieutenant in the Reserve Corps.

**Four New Instructors**  
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For two years, Captain Collins taught Spanish in the Fishburne Military School, at Waynesboro, Virginia. During the past five years he served as principal of the Churchville (Virginia) High School, where he taught Spanish, English, and commercial subjects.

During Captain Collins' service as principal he received several distinct honors. He has served as president of the Augusta County Teachers' Association for the past three consecutive years; vice-president of the Augusta County Principals' Association; and one of thirteen educators in Virginia selected to serve on the Virginia Public Relations Committee. For three summers, Captain Collins was director of Camp Shenandoah—the Stonewall Jackson Council Boy Scout camp. Since 1932, he has been Scoutmaster of Troop No. 1, Churchville, Virginia.

Captain Collins speaks Spanish fluently, and as a result should have a friendly and congenial relationship with our Spanish-American boys.

Captain David T. Lehman, who will conduct classes in Mechanical Drawing, Free-hand Drawing, and Industrial Design, and also assist the Cotillion Club in their decorations for the dances and other social functions of the school, comes to Staunton with excellent training in art and education. At the Pennsylvania Museum of Art's School of Art in Philadelphia he worked under some of the country's most prominent artists. When Captain Lehman completed his work and was graduated from the school, he received the highest prize for exceptional work in this department.

Captain Lehman was a member of the Deutsch-Verein, Le Cercle Francais, the University dramatic club, and for two seasons played on the Junior Varsity football team. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha, the oldest fraternity, and Kappa Phi Kappa, a professional educational

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**Peter Fick**

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ly filled the swimming stadium, the final 100-meter championship race was started with five of the contestants reaching the half-way mark at almost the same instant. Fick and the three Japanese swimmers, who were in the middle lanes, were watching each other's pace and position so closely that they did not notice Czick of Hungary speeding down the outside lane to win by the narrowest of margins in an exciting finish. Although the judges awarded only sixth place to Fick to add to the total U. S. A. score, the large group of Americans seated near the finish were sure that Fick had taken second place, and their photographs of the end of the race show Fick in that position. The event was won in 57.6 seconds, which is one full second slower than Fick's world record mark of 56.6 seconds that he has held for more than a year.

fraternity. Captain Lehman is a native of Pennsylvania, was educated in the Pennsylvania public schools and has had experience in directing the dramatic and art work in summer camps.

Mr. Charles E. Gildersleeve will enter the English and French departments, coming to Staunton after his graduation from Cornell University with an A.B. degree.

During his four years at Cornell, Mr. Gildersleeve specialized in English and French and took American and European History as his minors. He was an active member of the Cornell Dramatic Club, taking parts in a number of productions at the University's "Little Theatre." As a member of the Cornell Radio Guild he has had experience in broadcasting. He was also a member of the Chapel Choir of more than one hundred voices. In preparation for his work at Staunton he has had the full four years of R. O. T. C. work at Cornell University, was commissioned a cadet captain and will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the reserve corps as a result of this military training at Cornell and summer camp work.

Mr. Gildersleeve comes to Staunton as the youngest man of the faculty, but highly recommended by his teachers at Cornell, one prophesying a great future for him as a teacher and mentioning him as one of the outstanding Cornell graduates of recent years.

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William H. Smith, '24, is a captain in the infantry reserve and is stationed at Fort Devens, Mass. "Chuck" Knowlton, '23, is the Personnel Adjutant of that District.

**WEDDINGS**

Cleveland D. Salter, '29, to Miss Pauline Watson, on August 15, Denver, Col.

H. Russell Bracken, '27, to Miss Frances Hill on June 10, Owego, N. Y.

K. S. Carter, '29, to Miss Ruth Kirsch, September 19, Parkersburg, W. Va.

Leonard W. Taylor, '20, to Miss Eleanor Buckley, on May 8, Boston, Mass.

Richard L. Barner, '29, to Miss Carolyn Barnitz, on September 16, Boiling Springs, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Barner will live in Webster City, Iowa, where Mr. Barner is practicing law.

Henry M. Stewart, '30, to Miss Angie Temple Coons, September 5, Staunton, Va.

Newton G. McFadyen, '33, to Miss Betty O. Young, at Ypsilanti, Mich.

William M. Petefist, '27, to Miss Helen Ainsworth, at Virginia, Ill.

James P. Otis, x-'30, to Miss Barbara G. Field, at Conesus Lake, N. Y.

H. Russell Bracken, '27, to Miss Frances Catherine Hill at Oswego, N. Y. They are at home at Monroe, Mich.

Thomas H. Lackhart, x-'27, to Miss Caroline Haskell, at New Haven, Conn.

Thomas R. Chunn, '23, to Miss Frances M. Thatcher, at Yuma, Ariz. Ariz.

Richard F. Coffin, x-'28, to Miss Carol Lawrence, at Bridgewater, Mass.

John M. Tam, '28, to Miss Margaret Lund, at Omak, Wash.

Hugh A. Barton, '12, to Miss Mary-jane Mayhew, at Philadelphia, Pa.

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## S. M. A. Hash

A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING

By O. O. WHATALIAR

My dear, drag up a chair. Well, I am certainly glad to see all of your smiling faces back in the sunny South.

I understand that they are going to order the ole Grey Mare's white collar for Dud Tappen.

Dear Hubbard is in his prime with this new ink. I'll bet they ordered it for him special.

I wonder if Pete Fick could have been sight-seeing for two days after the race in the Fascist country. I wonder?

The cadets had a real break the first Sunday they paraded through the wide streets of Staunton. The lassies from Mary Baldwin happened along at that time. Of course, the most military corps paid no attention to them. MUCH.

It is rumored that A. M. A. has all of the bruisers on their football team. They ought to take a look at our future State Champions. A bunch of gorillas, no less. Anyway, brains help and we (not me) have them.

Have you seen Trumbull teaching the boys to swim in the pool? I understand that he plans to help Pete Fick in the near future.

Steve Lewis is getting to look more like an African bushbunny every day. Anyway, this is no reason to keep standing in the hole, Steve.

Bob Schaper must think that the little lassie from Erie is going to write him before and after each meal, the way he dashes to the post-office.

I can't understand why all of our faculty are rooting for Roosevelt. Even Cadet Roosevelt is for Landon (the square deal man). So I hear. Tisk-tisk.

### APPROPRIATE SONGS

"I'm all ears."—Foran.

"Tonight is mine."—The Night-Watchman.

"I'm living in a great big way."—Trumbull.

"I got a brand new suit."—Meigs, J.

"Lovely to look at."—Martin, W.

Col. Sutherland (to his class): "This is a dangerous experiment; we may go up any minute. Come a bit nearer so you will follow me closely."

Capt. Dey: "What did Sir Walter Raleigh say to Queen Elizabeth when he threw his cloak in the mud for her to walk on?"

Normand (more a film than a history fan): "He said, 'Step on it, lady!'"—Selected.

Boy: "Can a person be punished for something he hasn't done?"

Instructor: "Why no!"

Boy: "Well, sir, I haven't done my home-work."

She: "Do you know why I refused you?"

He: "I can't think."

She: "You guessed it."—Selected.

S. M. A. Inmate: "Of course being back in Staunton, Va., I miss the cows, and sheep, and pigs, and things."

His Girl: "Ah, yes, but we still have each other, darling."

Deyton: "Where's that chicken we ordered half an hour ago?"

Capt. Joe: "It'll be here soon. The cook hasn't killed it yet, but he's got in a couple of nasty blows."—Selected.

"Are you sure this is the man who stole your car?"

Bullen: "I was until your cross-examination. Now I don't know if I ever owned a car."—Exchange.

## Letters From Old Boys

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fellows, when not at battalion drill as quartermaster. These lads were the original "Our Gang" and no mistake. Thirty or forty of them, from Joyce down to Finkelstein, who was no bigger than the proverbial pint cup. Walker, Sloan, and many others rooming around town following the fire. Myers of Washington winning the medal with his Co. D. Single ranks, and file officers using the flats of their swords on sundry pants seats betimes. The starting of fraternities; Captain Long, the school engineer, who told such rowdy and whopping big yarns of his Civil War escapades; going on a hike and getting guard duty for not returning on time; hearing the eerie shriek of the C. & O.'s "F.F.V." in the middle of the night and getting nostalgia; getting a box from home and having the older boys divide nine-tenths of it up among themselves; rough houses in the old barracks which beggar description. As Wing says, there is not "space for all I would like to say."

By way of personal note: Following my graduation from Staunton in 1906, I took a three-year course at Sheffield Scientific School. Engaged in farming here for a few years, saw service with the 22nd U. S. Infantry in 1918-19; was married to Miss Alva Knickerbocker of New York City in 1920; removed to Tampa, Fla., the following year and remained there seven years, five of which were spent with the Daily Times as column conductor, feature writer, etc. We returned to Shokan and now are back on the farm, which is located near the Ashokan Reservoir and Catskill Mountains. Would enjoy having S. M. A. boys, past or present, call and see me.

Allow me to thank you for sending the paper, which is a source of no little pleasure to me. With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,  
CLYDE A. WINCHELL, '06.

### L. VERNON HULL

L. Vernon Hull, 21, son of Lemuel A. Hull of 1264 Robert street, Hillside, N. J., died recently at Elizabeth General Hospital of pneumonia, which he contracted after an operation for appendicitis.

The youth was a sophomore at Norwich University and a graduate of Staunton Military Academy. He had attended Hillside High School and Newark Academy. At Norwich he served as a corporal and was to have been made a sergeant at commencement this month.

In addition to his parents a sister, Shirley, 12, survives.

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