TO GRADUATE STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

Each year on this page Dr. Van Valkenburg as director of the Clark Graduate School of Geography extends his greetings to our students and to our alumni. Van is in Iraq this semester, but I am very glad to extend greetings in his stead.

As I see it we have our usual good group of students and our problems are not greatly different from those of previous years. The staff, it seems to me, is busier than usual on research and on affairs of the profession. Nevertheless, we try to find time for the close contact with students which has characterized the School for many years.

Though Van is having a unique opportunity to see political geography in the making I am sure from his letters that he is with us in spirit and will be glad to get back to home base.

RAYMOND E. MURPHY
Acting Director

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DR. H. BOESCH, VISITING PROFESSOR

Dr. Hans Boesch, Chairman of the Geography Department at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, is a visiting professor at Clark this fall. He was here as a graduate student during the summer of 1934. Dr. Boesch returned to Zurich for his Ph.D. in 1937.

During the latter half of June, he left his home in Zollikon, a suburb of Zurich, and arrived in New York on June 30 to begin a busy summer. He went immediately to the west coast, and returned to attend the Geographical Congress in Washington in his capacity as a vice president of the International Geographical Union. After the Congress he spent a month in the Maritime Provinces and the adjoining parts of New England; and then, in the middle of September, he went to South America for a six-week "fourth horizon".

Here at Clark he is teaching two courses, one in Human Geography, dealing with landscape patterns as they are influenced by man; and one in Mediterranean Geography. Dr. Boesch is engaged in research in land utilization at Zurich, and he is familiar with the Mediterranean region from long association. He will be here until Christmas, after which time he will return to Zurich.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

The members of the faculty of the School of Geography spent an interesting summer doing field work, teaching summer school, attending conferences, working at private and government research, and traveling. Dr. Van is teaching at the University of Baghdad during the fall semester and will return in February. He spent six weeks traveling and doing field work in Jordania before going to Baghdad. During the summer he acted as chairman of the Program Committee for the I.G.U. Conference in Washington. He also served as chairman of the Land Use Commission at the Congress.

Dr. Murphy worked at Clark on a project for the Office of Naval Research, attempting to develop a systematized method of delineating the central business districts of United States Cities. Dr. J. E. Vance, a former Clark student, worked with Dr. Murphy on the project, and is applying the methods to a number of other cities in the country. Dr. Murphy is still serving on the council of the Association of American Geographers, and he also has been working as chairman of the Economic Geography Committee which has been writing the economic geography chapters for American Geography: Inventory and Prospects.

Mr. Burnham taught at summer school and worked at the cataloging of the map collection.

Dr. Higbee spent the summer doing library research with the Conservation Foundation and the United States Department of Agriculture in Washington. He made preparations for further study in land use and soil conservation in the United States. Recently he was in Virginia making a soils survey. Dr. Warman, was elected president of the National Council of Geography Teachers. He attended the conference of the organization, the Pan American Conference, and the International Geography Union in Washington.

Dr. Looegee did field work with Dr. George Hubbard of Oberlin College on Glacial Lake Dakota in the Dakotas and returned by way of the northern part of the Great Lakes where he did some private field work across the shield in Canada. He was one of the co-leaders of the New England excursion held before the Geographical Congress. At the Congress he presented a paper entitled “A Profile of Post-glacial Upwarp in Eastern North America”. He also spent two weeks in Washington on military duty at the Pentagon. He did some field work with Larry Delliquadri in Pennsylvania at the beginning of the summer, and in the Lake St. Jean region north of the St. Lawrence just before field camp.

VISITING LECTURER

On November 19, Dr. Derwent Whittlesey, Professor of Geography at Harvard University, delivered a lecture on Kenya Colony in Africa, illustrated with Kodachrome slides. Dr. Whittlesey is a past president of the American Association of Geographers, and a former editor of the Annals of American Geographers. He has done extensive research in "Black Africa", especially in Kenya, the Tanganyika area, and in Uganda. After an interesting lecture, attended by faculty and students of the graduate school, a tea gave an opportunity for informal discussion with Dr. Whittlesey.

DEGREES GRANTED 1951-1952

MASTER OF ARTS

Donald L. Atwell—Granville, Ohio. "Population Changes in the Boston Area".
Mildred S. Bradford—Washington, D. C. "Tobacco in Prince George County".

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES


Forward, Charles N.—Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. B.A. (geography), 1949, and M.A. (geography), 1952, from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Experience: one and one half years as a geographer in the Geographical Branch, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys, Ottawa, Canada. M.A. thesis title: "Ice Distribution in the Gulf of St. Lawrence During the Break-up Season".

Fraser, Ian S.—Toronto, Ontario, Canada. B.A. (honors geography) from the University of Toronto, 1951. Experience: Summer field work in northern Ontario and Churchill, Manitoba; and a summer with the geographical Branch, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys, Ottawa, Canada. M.A. thesis title: "Regional Geography of the Renfrew Area, Ontario." Spare time activities: skiing and canoeing.

Gazi, Mohammed Hassan—Teheran, Iran. B.A. (honors geography) from Victoria University, Manchester, England; also attended Tehran University. Experience: 1934-35 worked on Land Utilization Map of Britain, Lancashire, England; also ten years as Assistant Professor of Geography, Tehran University. Publications: books and articles in Persian. Plans to continue teaching at Tehran Uni-
versity. Married. Spare time activities: photography, bridge, tennis.


Martin, Curtis V.—Princeton, New Jersey. Schools attended: Glassboro State Teachers College; Trenton State Teachers College; and Clark University. M.A. thesis title: "De-liming the Hartford-Springfield Trade Area". Married, one daughter.


Sim, Victor W.—Stoney Creek, Ontario, Canada. B.A. (honors geography) from McMaster University,
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Hamilton, Ontario, 1952. Experience: field work in Newfoundland and Labrador, summer of 1950; also field work in Northern Manitoba, summer of 1951; and a town study of the Pas, Manitoba, for the Geological Branch, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys. B.A. thesis title: “Settlement and Land Use in Binbrook Township, Wentworth County”.


FOOTNOTE

The response of CUGS Alumnis to the questionnaire recently mailed has been unusually prompt and complete. Financially the MONADNOCK is in a sound position. The result, we hope, will be a complete survey of Alumni activities for the May issue. Thank you for your assistance.
cracked phonograph record before light every morning that went, "EVERybody UP!" E-E-EYbody up! Last Call, K.P.'s!" _bear drove me bats_.

Well, Honey, gotta fold now. Gotta finish with a paper I'm working on. I'm calling it "Geography: Its Definition and Use". Don't forget to give the Kids a good squeezie from their Daddy.

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15 October 1952

My Dearest Charmian:

Tuesday Morning's mail brought your delightful letter from Paradise Inn. I'm so glad that Aunt Cynthia could accompany you and am most pleased to hear that your morning nature walks have been such a success.

Since the eve of departure for our field camp, when I dashed off that all too incomplete note to you, we've had a very exciting time, and to my way of thinking, a most rewarding experience, except in one matter—but concerning that, more later.

The Graduate School group was billeted in a large building used for the purpose of housing those seasonal workers who are employed during the summer months on the tobacco holdings of the Thrall estate, which I have often heard referred to as a model tobacco farm. We were most fortunate in having a dining room where as many as a hundred people could be seated. It also served as an excellent working spot for those of us who wished to use our evening hours to advantage, as I always did. A fine kitchen adjoining this room was the source of bulky breakfasts, an interminisble supply of peanut butter and marshmallow sandwiches, and generally satisfactory but unexciting dinners. A shower room (with automatic washer) separated this end of the building from the women's section. The second floor was set up as a "barracks room" for the men. This was not quite as rugged as it may sound, however, because the room had been partitioned off into small cubicles with sufficient room for two men in it."

This latter condition was unfortunately the source of much grief for me. I became associated with a fellow having the most despicable and boorish character I can possibly imagine. He refers to me in the presence of others as "My Buddy—" with a familiarity most obnoxious to one of my sensitive nature. He is the owner of a decrepit Lincoln without floorboards in which I was forced to ride here from Worcester at an average speed of 72 miles per hour. Upon our arrival he suggested with unbelievable crassness that we share the same cubicle while at camp. I was so completely dumbstruck that my attempts at evasion were considered as acceptance. Our supposed comradeship, I am afraid, was instrumental in our leaders' decision to have us work together as a team.

I decided to make the best of it, however, and managed to struggle through a practice mapping of a section one square mile in area. It was during this period that I discovered that Bugsey (as he insists on being called) is to all intents and purpose an alcoholic. He actually appeared to enjoy the "pint" he took with his lunch, and though it upset me fearfully the first few days, I was able to control my emotions (Knowing my pride, you will be proud of me, I am sure) to the extent that I could enter a package store with him without blushing by the end of the camp.

A brief respite for my shaken spirit occurred in the form of a lovely twelve hour Sunday drive which carried us northward to Westfield in Massachusetts and back to the camp by way of southern Connecticut. For most of us it was a stimulating introduction to the intricate workings of an unfamiliar climatic incident, the ice cap which covered New England. Dr. Lougee explained how the various features we saw, pot-holes, wave-cut beaches, kames, deltas, glacial stream channels, and other formations were formed. A new understanding of those processes responsible for our present landscape began to come to us, and later helped tremendously with our main project of physiographic and land use mapping. It was most intriguing, really.

Dr. Warmang gave all of us turns at taking meteorological observations in the evenings. Bugsey expressed extreme dismay and complete incomprehension when the astrological answers he gave about conditions observed in the heavens were not accepted. He also had a bit of trouble on our early morning climatic study in Hartford. His car of course has no lights, and when questioned by a policeman, he explained that the use of headlights would cause a temperature inversion, he thought. Then he tried to smooth things over by offering his apprehender (it turned out to be just a lieutenant) a drink of coffee. Unfortunately he picked up the wrong thermos, and the lieutenant nearly choked on what Bugsey fondly refers to as his dollar-and-a-half-a-fifth brandy. He really is incorrigible, you know.

One evening toward the end of Field Camp President Jefferson and Dean Little of the University, and Prof. Jones from Yale were guests at the camp. Prof. Lougee showed some of his movies of arctic lands, and we certainly had a jolly time. It was very nearly spoiled, however, by Bugsey who tried to empty one of his omnipresent bottles into the coffee. Fortunately one of the girls extracted it from his coat before the deed was done.

I think it best to postpone further details of our adventures until my next letter. I am in the process of typing the report about our field work which Bugsey and I have written. Bugsey, as you might imagine is a product of correspondence school courses and displays a formidable inability to use any language which is not foul. (Incidentally "My Buddy" came in a few minutes ago and very kindly brought me some refreshments—what he refers to as a "New England Hot Buttered Egg-Nog". It's quite different from those that Nanny makes, but does leave one with a most pleasurable sensation.) As I was saying, Bugsey isn't a really bad fellow, even if he doesn't speak too good. Between his ingenious ideas and my usual mastery of style and comprehension when the astrological answers he gave about conditions observed in the heavens were not accepted. He also had a bit of trouble on our early morning climatic study in Hartford. His car of course has no lights, and when questioned by a policeman, he explained that the use of headlights would cause a temperature inversion, he thought. Then he tried to smooth things over by offering his apprehender (it turned out to be just a lieutenant) a drink of coffee. Unfortunately he picked up the wrong thermos, and the lieutenant nearly choked on what Bugsey fondly refers to as his dollar-and-a-half-a-fifth brandy. He really is incorrigible, you know.

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TEAS

Teas, which are so happily remembered as a part of CUGS activities, are taking their customary place in departmental affairs. On October 21st the first tea of the season was served in the Libbey Library. Mr. O. Grady Tucker, president of CUGS, was in charge of the social gathering. Dr. Hans Boesch of the University of Zurich, Switzerland, visiting professor in the Department, had just returned from a month's tour of South America and entertained those present with a brief account of his tour.

A lecture on Kenya by Professor Derwent Whittlesey of Harvard University on November nineteenth was followed by the second tea of the year. The social hour after the lecture offered opportunity for the students to meet Dr. Whittlesey and served as a fitting climax to his visit. President and Mrs. Jefferson, Dean Little, and several student wives were among the guests.

“ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY” ON THE MOVE

Readers of the MONADNOCK may be interested in news regarding Economic Geography. This fall individual letters were sent to all graduate students in geography in the various departments throughout the country calling attention to the special student subscription rate. The returns are just coming in but the response already has been so good that the circulation total of the magazine recently passed 1600, a record to date. Your attention is called, too, to a new development in the October issue, the first appearance of a letter to the editor.

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PROFESSOR C. B. FAWCETT, DSc. B. LITT.

Professor Fawcett who died on September 28th was a distinguished geographer. His death is a great loss to the geographical world, as well as a personal loss to his many friends and students.

Professor Fawcett was head of the Geography Department, University College, London University from 1928 to 1949. Before that, from 1914 to 1919, he was Lecturer in Geography at University College, Southampton; and Reader in Geography University of Leeds from 1920 to 1928. During this period, Prof. Fawcett came to Clark University as Visiting Professor on three separate occasions, 1930-31, 1946-47, 1949-51. When he left Clark in 1951 he took a leisurely voyage, through the Malay Archipelago supposedly resting, but in reality working hard at several articles during the voyage. When he reached Ceylon, he acted as head of the Geography Department, University of Ceylon, and it was hoped that he would be able to stay on for more than a year, but sudden ill-health during a lecture tour in India, cut short his stay. To the deep regret of his colleagues and friends in Ceylon, Prof. and Mrs. Fawcett returned to England in May.

The many honorary posts Prof. Fawcett held were evidence of his renown as a geographer. He was President of Section III (Human Geography) at the International Geography Congress, Warsaw 1934; President Section E (Geog.) of the British Association 1937; President Assn. of University Teachers 1943-44; Vice-President of the Royal Geographical Society. He was made Professor Emeritus at London University in 1949, an honour granted to a few distinguished men. He was President of the Institute of British Geographers 1933-36 and leader of the British Delegation to the International Geography Congress at Lisbon in 1949.

His publications include—Frontiers—A Study in Political Geography; Provinces of England; The Political Geography of the British Empire; The Bases of a World Commonwealth; A Residential Unit for Town and Country Planning. Several articles of his have been published in the leading geography magazines.

Though Prof. Fawcett's hands passed hundreds of students from various countries, and they learned to respect him for the thoroughness of his work, his pungent criticisms and sincerity of purpose, and carried on his lines of geographical thought in many different lands. His personal contact with and kindly interest in the welfare of his students endeared Prof. Fawcett to all students who came to know him. In his eagerness to direct research and help those who came to him for advice, Prof. Fawcett never spared himself, as his colleagues and students here at Clark and elsewhere can testify.

To Mrs. Fawcett and her daughters we extend our deepest sympathy at the passing of one so high in our regard and esteem.