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“ALL MORNINGSIDE” PROGRAM

The “All Morningsider” movement, brimful with optimism for the Morningside College of the future, had its first formal session at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Benz at Athens, Ohio, on October 23, 24 and 25. The party included in addition to Dr. and Mrs. Benz, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hickman, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Winter of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Donald Walton of New York, the fourth member of the committee, was unable to be present. David Wickens, the fifth member, was farming (and incidentally hunting pheasants in South Dakota) but had a conference with Mr. Hickman at Pittsburgh following the Athens meeting.

The “All Morningsider” movement began with an enthusiastic meeting of Mr. Hickman and President Roadman in the Prince George Hotel at New York City about two years ago. At this time the possibility was discussed of forming a committee that would be near enough together to afford opportunity for frequent contacts. It was the happy combination of favorable geography and zeal for the cause that brought the other members of the committee in.

The Hickman—Benz—Winter—Wickens—Walton Committee was formally authorized a year ago to investigate and report upon a possible plan for a new national and comprehensive program for the All Morningside movement. The committee has engaged in extensive correspondence, a portion of which was reported in the September issue of the Alumni Newsletter.

Who are the members of this committee? First, the chairman, Mr. Hickman grew up on the front steps of Morningside College. His father, Charles Hickman, of the Hickman Electric Company of Sioux City, taught physics at Morningside at one time. The family has lived for years at 3427 Garretson Ave. Three sisters, Alice, Lois, and Mildred also graduated from Morningside.

The class prophecy of '22 gave young Leon a brilliant career as a lawyer. The class prophet had good reason for such expectancy. Leon had been president of the class in their sophomore year. He was a leader in debate. Professor C. A. Marsh dared a number of western schools to meet Mr. Hickman and his squad of

debaters on an extensive Western tour. As a college orator as well as debater, Mr. Hickman contributed to the prophetic expectation of the future. After completing a law course at Harvard in which Leon was one of the leaders of his class, he was selected by a firm of attorneys in Pittsburgh, Smith, Buchanan and Smith, as an assistant. He soon became a member of the firm and has rapidly risen in its leadership at the bar. His successes have been phenomenal and have offered him opportunities which included the defense of the Andrew Mellon estate in recent litigation brought against it by the United States government. Morningside is proud of such a scholastic son. All Morningsiders appreciate and welcome the willingness with which he assumes the important leadership of the new “national” committee.

Mrs. Hickman will be remembered as Mayme Hoyt whose home was at Wall Lake and who also graduated from Morningside

College. They were married after Leon's graduation from Harvard in 1925. Their elder son, Hoyt, fourteen years old, is “chipping off the old block.” He put Jane's, “Fighting Ships” at the Congressional library as item number one in a list of ten “musts” to look up and visit when the family recently spent a weekend in Washington. Herbie, the younger son, at ten years of age still has confidence in the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Hickman family keeps its roots in Iowa. In the past ten years they have missed only one summer's vacation at Lake Okoboji.

Pictures of the other members of the committee will appear in the December bulletin. Dr. Harry Benz is a Professor of Education at the University of Ohio. Mrs. Benz formerly Mary Decker, and they both attended Morningside together and



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graduated in the same class.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Winter (nee Nellie Carpenter) live in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Winter is assistant superintendent of agents for the Union Central Life Insurance Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walton (nee Bessie Reed) live in New York where ever since graduation from Morningside and the Union Theological Seminary, Mr. Walton has been pastor of the DeWitt Memorial Church.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wickens live in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Wickens is a consultant in economic and financial affairs. Mrs. Wickens is an assistant in the Department of Labor and is on the Graduate Faculty of American University.

The Committee will welcome suggestions from all friends of Morningside. They feel that the program for the immediate future

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PARENTS RETURN FOR ANNUAL PARENTS' DAY

Saturday, November 1st was celebrated on the campus as the annual Parents' Day. Features of the day were an informal luncheon at the dormitory, an afternoon parade of the college band with seven bands from neighboring high schools, an afternoon open house at the Women's Residence Halls, the evening banquet, and the night football game with Detroit Institute of Technology. Two hundred people took part in the banquet. Featured entertainment included music by the student string quartet—Robert Feick, Donald Bush, Homer Garretson, and James Demetroulis, a cello solo by Bob Feick, and vocal solos by Ronald Bush. All the parents present were introduced by their sons or daughters. President and Mrs. Roadman were introduced by their daughter, Joyce. Dr. Roadman spoke briefly and called for talks from Mr. J. H. Godtfriing of Sioux City and Mr. O. A. Hansen of Winona, Minnesota. Mr. C. C. R. Bush recited a Riley poem, "Knee Deep In June." Dean G. E. Hill acted as master of ceremonies. The meeting adjourned to the football game with the singing of "Men of the M."



The second generation friendships of the Kolp and Reynolds families have brought together, John Kolp, '42, and Wilson Reynolds, '43, as roommates in the home of Miss Lillian E. Dimmitt.

Their mothers, Marie Sebern Kolp, '17, and Fern Beacham Reynolds, '17, once members of the "Devitt Gang" relived college days during their visit on Parent's Day.

HOME COMING

Homecoming at Morningside this year got off to a good start with the traditional barbecue above Bass field at 5:30 P. M. on Friday, October 17. After the barbecue, students and alumni gathered around the bonfire for a pep rally and a snake dance which led to the college auditorium where the audience heard impromptu pep talks by students and alumni while anxiously awaiting the appearance of Miss Morningside for 1941.

Promptly at 8 o'clock, baton twirlers, Jean Jones and Irene Hinrichs entered, heralding the arrival of the royal party. Queen Ruth Kingsbury entered next, escorted by Steve Kerzie, president of the M club. Attendants to Miss Morningside were Kathryn Brown and Helen Johnson, and their escorts were Francis Jones and Don Widler. Ruth and Kathryn are members of Kappa Zeta Chi, and Helen is a member of Kappa Pi Alpha. After Steve had presented her as Miss Morningside for 1941, Ruth knelt before President Roadman to receive her crown. After the coronation, she took her place on the throne for the rest of the program.

The Pow Wow dance in the alumni gym-

nasium followed the coronation. Kenny LaMont's orchestra furnished the music, and Indian decorations were provided by the newly organized Pep club.

The conservatory of music won first prize in the parade Saturday morning. Second place was awarded to the Alpha Tau Delta fraternity while Kappa Zeta Chi placed third. The color scheme carried out by the prize winning float was gold and white. A white-gowned musical quartette was seated between four white and gold pillars festooned with gaily colored flowers. The Tau Delt float was a magnificent structure emblematic of a United States Army blimp. Around the cage of the blimp were the words, "We'll sail over S. D. U." The parade this year was one of the most impressive in many years. Bob Hempstead was general chairman, ably assisted by Mr. McClure and Mr. Felton.

The M club luncheon at the Mayfair hotel, honoring the 1923 conference championship team, was the largest in many years. Bob Feller, Cleveland Indian pitcher who presented a scholarship to Jim Steck, most outstanding sophomore athlete, last year, must provide additional outlets for college loyalties and friendships among the "old students", outlets more broad than the mere

was a special guest. He was made an honorary member of the organization, and at halftime of the football game in the evening was presented with a maroon and white athletic blanket. An exceptionally large number of M club alumni from distant points attended the luncheon. David L. Wickens was here from Washington, D. C.; Dr. E. Williams came from the west coast; Charlie Bach and Foster Schwartz were here from Chicago.

The football game in the evening was with South Dakota University on a wet field, which was nothing new to the Morningsiders. The Coyotes again captured the scalp of the Sioux by defeating the Maroons 26 to 12, but the Morningsiders will really be out to win that back next year.

At the homecoming services in Grace Church Sunday morning, Kenneth Metcalf, '38, gave a fine address, and closed the Morningside homecoming activities of 1941 on just the right note.

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kindling of fires among the ashes of tender memories, more broad than revival of times and scenes laid away in scrapbooks and annuals.

The complete "All Morningsider" plan will be announced as it develops. For the present a short quotation from the committee's initial report will reveal the nature of the careful study with which Mr. Hickman and his associates are approaching Morningside's problems:

"This committee is convinced that there is a permanent need for independent schools, privately financed, and that among these the location and record of Morningside College particularly warrant its further growth and expansion of its influence. It is our considered judgment that the time has come to initiate a long range and permanent program designed to give the college the benefit of the organized support of its alumni in all phases of its work, and to provide the alumni the benefit of a current and continuing contact with, and a participation in, the life of the college. There will accrue a much closer fellowship among the alumni.

It has been a matter of gratification to your committee to learn from a study of the educational and financial program of the college that the institution is performing a valuable educational service and is operating on a sound basis. The enrollment has held up well. The budget of the college, although restricted, is sound. It has been working within a balanced budget for several years. Indebtedness has been steadily reduced."

"Morningside comes marching with her hundreds strong
All are now united in a mighty throng
Stalwart sons are ready for the battle soon
Morningside forever—Dear Old Maroon."

WITH THE BOYS IN THE SERVICE

Charles Richards, Ex '42, who received his commission from Randolph Field, Tex., in April, 1941, was home for a few days' furlough. He is now a flight instructor at Craig Field, Selma, Alabama.

William Bradford, Ex '41, who received his law degree from Butler College, Indianapolis, Indiana, this June is now in training at Camp Wheeler, Macon, Georgia.

Homer Motter, Ex '41, visited the campus this month while on a delay enroute from Chanute Field, Illinois, to Salt Lake City. Homer, after receiving his basic training at Hamilton Field, California, went to the Curtis Wright Technical School of Aeronautics at Glendale, Calif. He is now with the 88th Reconnaissance Squadron stationed at Salt Lake City. He has been a flying engineer in the Flying Fortress. He reports that he has signed up to ferry planes to England but has not had a definite assignment as yet.

Alfred Strozdas and Merton Anderson enjoyed a two weeks' furlough and were at Sioux City for homecoming. They are stationed at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.

Bob Brooks, '40, who had been at Camp Wolters, Texas, has now been transferred to Fort Des Moines, Iowa, where he is the camp bugler.

Myles Gates, '41, is now in training at Camp Polk, Louisiana.

Odell Woods, Ex '41, and Donovan Leopold, Ex '42, received their commissions from Randolph Field, Texas, on October 31, 1941.

Glen Burrow, '40, who has been at Hemet, California, is now stationed at Denver, Colorado.

Gus Hahn, '40, has been in Sioux City on a ten-day furlough from his duties at Camp Claiborne, La.

Blair Fowler, Ex '41, and Billy Gray, Ex '42, are now stationed at Moffett Field, California. They were formerly at Kings City, California.

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Departmental Programs

Glimpses behind the scenes of busy student preparation indicate the final details of two annual shows are well in hand.

On Wednesday, December 3rd, Psi Chi, national honor fraternity and the psychology department will present the third annual "Psychology Applied." On Thursday, December 14 the Engineers Club will present the fifteenth annual "Engineers Night." Alumni teaching in nearby towns may secure for their students a limited number of tickets for either event by writing to the heads of the departments.

Those who have taken part in former presentations and those who have seen them will be delighted with the new features of this year.

New Yorkers

The New York Alumni of Morningside College met for a luncheon at the Hotel Woodstock on October 18th in honor of Wm. McCurdy of China. Reverend McCurdy has just undergone a serious operation on his throat and is well on the way to recovery. They were thrilled to hear of his hazardous trip from China during which he experienced a typhoon while in an airplane and then a shipwreck after leaving Manila. His young son accompanied him from China. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pierce, '11.; Reverend Robert Dolliver, '24; John F. Pollock, '15; Mrs. Asbury Stomberg (Lelia Binger), '28; and daughter; Dr. and Mrs. Fred Seaver (Nettie Heller), '02 and '07; Mrs. Edgar G. Hellweg, (Francis Winkleman), Ex-'26; and Mrs. Doonald Walton, (Bessie Reed), '21, and daughter, Mary.

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CLASS NOTES

—1897—

Dr. Frederick Henke, a graduate of Charles City College in 1897, retired this year from the position as head of the Department of Education at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. They are now living in Charles City, Iowa. He is the national Treasurer of the Kappa Phi Kappa Professional Education Fraternity.

—1904—

In a letter received from J. H. O'Donoghue of Storm Lake, we have learned of the death of Lydia A. Trimble, '04, in Foochow, China. She had been a missionary in China for nearly 50 years. Her death occurred on September 16, 1941.

—1911—

"Bill" Waymack, '11, represented Morningside College at the inauguration of President Harmon of Drake University at Des Moines, Iowa, on October 17th.

—1920—

Dean E. Wayne Hilmer of Iowa Wesleyan represented Morningside College at the inauguration of President Mayer of Parsons College at Fairfield, Iowa, on October 13th. He writes as follows: "The Morningside Bulletin came just in time to save a despairing father. My friends here find suddenly-remembered business calling them whenever I speak of my son, no matter how adroitly I introduce the topic. To have my old college suggest that I write, telling about any topic dear to my heart, even including my son, is to pass instantaneously into the state of babbling sentimentality. So here goes. 'I tell you, my son is blah, blah-blah—'".

—1921—

Among the letters received at Homecoming was one from Harold Barrick, Ex-'21, of 5316 Deane Avenue, View Park, Los Angeles, Calif. He writes: "It was my distinct privilege to have participated in the 'Battle of Bass Field' in 1918 while serving

as a buck private in the S. A. T. C. Best wishes for a grand homecoming. I shall always be a booster for Morningside College".

—1925—

Word comes from Glen Ellison, '25, that he is now in charge of the Federal-State Market News Service office in San Antonio. He was transferred from Sioux City early last January.

Clark Scott, Ex-'25, was a visitor to the campus this fall. He had been attending a bankers convention in Chicago. He is now Executive Vice-President of the First National Bank and Trust Company of Freeport, New York.

—1929—

Marie Omer, Ex-'29, was married to Erwin E. Lux at Las Vegas, Nevada on July 4th. They are residing in Santa Monica where Mr. Lux is a civil engineer.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Metcalf, '29, have moved to Decatur, Illinois, where Gordon is managing the Sears, Roebuck store in that city. They have lived in Sioux City for the past three years.

—1930—

A summer visitor to the campus was Dr. Henry Running, '30, who is now a specialist in pediatrics at Phoenix, Arizona.

—1933—

The following excerpt from a letter from Allen Richardson, '33, is of interest: "Last month I took a position as Junior Secretary of Y.M.C.A. in the Jefferson College branch with the title of Assistant Director in Charge of Public Relations. This position involves the handling of publicity and advertising for the college, student contact work, and supervision of our Civilian Pilot Training courses. Two former student body presidents of Morningside working for the same organization in the same building may be of interest to some of the alumni. Robert Vernon, General Secretary over all the branches of the "Y" here in St. Louis, served as student president in 1915 and I held the same office in 1932-33". Mrs. Richardson is the former Maxine Steele, '33. The Richardsons have one daughter three years old.

—1934—

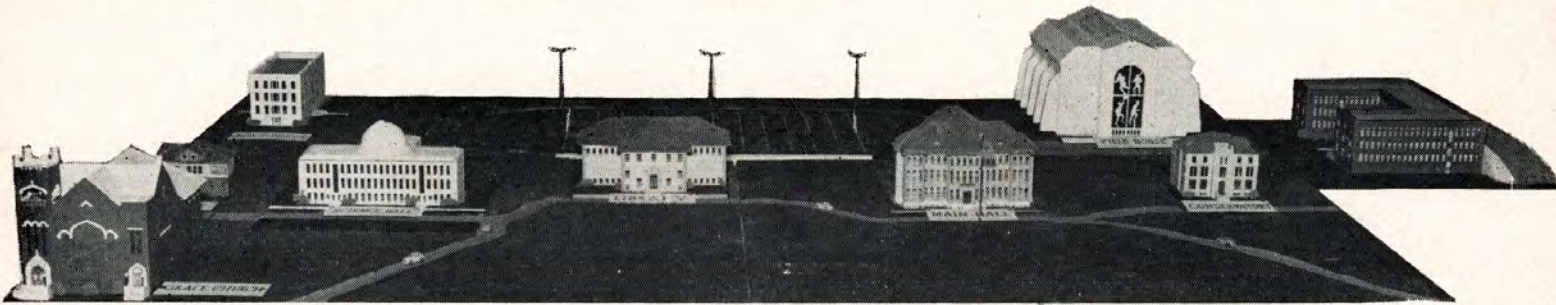
On August 3, 1941, occurred the marriage of Pearl Woodford, '34, to Larry Penberthy at Rochester, New York. They are at home at St. Paul Court, St. Paul St., Rochester, New York.

Clyde Van Dyke, '34, has been appointed director and head of the Experimental School at the University of Iowa, Iowa City. He was formerly at the University of Missouri.

An August 13, occurred the marriage of Gleva Binger, '34, to Grant Hanson of Rock Island, Ill. They are residing in Rock Island where Mr. Hanson is assistant librarian at the Denkmann Memorial Li-

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GRACE CHURCH MEN'S DORM (to be built) SCIENCE HALL (to be built) GYMNASIUM (to be rebuilt into Library) MAIN HALL FIELD HOUSE (to be built) CONSERVATORY WOMEN'S RESIDENCE HALLS



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brary of Augustana College.

George Vensen, '34, is in charge of the Plant Records of the Western Central Gas & Electric Company at Aurora, Illinois.

—1935—

LaMont Docken, '35, is Superintendent of Schools at Oto, Iowa.

—1936—

On August 15, 1941, occurred the marriage of Herbert Watson, '36, and Bryna Long. They are living at 2112 Cypress St. in Sioux City where he is employed with the postoffice department.

A recent visitor to the campus was Arie Bomgaars, '36, who started his fifth year as principal of the high school at Hospers, Iowa, this year.

—1937—

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Surber, '37, announce the birth of a daughter, Dorothy Ann, on October 10th. The Surbers are now living at 2223 Guilford Ave., Baltimore, Maryland, where Orville has a civil service position with the Social Security Board at Washington, D. C.

On June 3, 1941, occurred the marriage of Avis Stomberg, '37, to Carl S. Thorne of Dayton, Iowa. They are residing on a farm near Dayton.

Early this summer announcement was made of the marriage of Margaret Hilsinger, '37, to James Freman of Chicago. The event took place on February 17, 1941, in Kansas City. They are residing in Chicago where Mr. Freeman is a representative of the Old Republic Credit Life Insurance Co.

Dorothy Robinson, '37, became the bride of G. William DeJong of Keokuk, Iowa, in a ceremony performed at the Trinity Methodist Church in Lake City, Iowa. Charlotte Robinson, '41, attended her sister and their father performed the ceremony. Mr. DeJong was recently graduated from the College of Mortuary Science in St. Louis.

Lloyd Johnson, Ex-'37, is now at Peoria, Illinois, where he is a specialist in oil injection for the Caterpillar Engine Co.

—1938—

Lawrence Schaal, '38, who formerly taught music at Fedora, South Dakota, is

now working in the War Department in Washington, D. C.

Delmar Fodness, '38, is coaching at Holstein, Iowa, this year.

Ed Young, '38, is entering his last year at the Presbyterian Seminary in Omaha, Nebraska this year. He is also student pastor at Clyde, Kansas.

—1939—

Alberta Seavey, '39, is teaching physical education in the Aurora Public Schools at Aurora, Illinois, this year.

Florence Lange, Ex-'39, is teaching the West Des Moines Public Schools, Iowa.

Jake Felker, '39, writes that he is teaching at Atwood, Kansas, this year. He is teaching 7th grade, coaching and has three classes in manual training.

Albert Buckingham, '39, has resigned from his position at Sergeant Bluffs to accept the coaching position at Mapleton, Ia.

On July 5, 1941, at New Orleans, La., Anita Haafke, '39, became the bride of Dr. Clarence Anderson of Swea City, Iowa. They are residing at DeRidder, La.

Mrs. John Halloran, formerly Virginia Crane, '39, was adjudged the best mezzo Soprano of the north side singers in the section at Cook County voice contest of the twelfth Chicago and Music Festival which was held on August 1st in Chicago. She and Mr. Halloran, '39, were voice students at the American Conservatory of Music this summer. They now are in Hawarden, Iowa, where Jack is instructor of Music in the public schools.

—1940—

On September 6, occurred the marriage of James Arransmith, Ex-'40, and Ruth Sunde at the Park View Lutheran Church in Chicago. James is a medical student at Northwestern University.

Alice Hanson, '40, who taught at Ireton, Iowa, last year is teaching at Arnolds Park, Iowa, this year.

Nancy Lowry, '40, is music instructor in the Whiting, Iowa, Public Schools.

Charles Milligan, Ex-'40, and Sylvia Dahl, Ex-'40, were married at the First Lutheran Church in Sioux City on July 5th. They are now living in Saginaw, Michigan.

A letter received from David Denny, 40, brings the news that he is enrolled as a

student at the Meharry Medical School at Nashville, Tennessee. Dave writes: "I realize that my life at Morningside was almost too ideal. At medical school here, it is wholly different. I know now how it is not to know your professor. We students get our lessons alone or amongst ourselves. I am enjoying my work here very much."

Dorothy Ann Olson, '40, is a graduate student at Syracuse University this year. She has been chosen as one of the 19 student deans of the graduate school.

—1941—

Dale Harter, '41, is a graduate student in history at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Douglas Beggs, Ex-'41, received his degree from Northwestern University this spring and is now employed with the General Electric Company in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Max Stern, '41, is a graduate student in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Wisconsin this year.

On July 19th in Baltimore, Maryland, Alice Hockett became the bride of Victor Alvey, '41. They are residing in Baltimore where Vic is employed with the Martin Aircraft Co.

Miriam Hartley, '41, is a graduate student at the University of Washington at Seattle this year.

—1942—

Eric Liljestrand, Ex-'42, was in Sioux City in September on a fifteen-day furlough after having completed eight months' training in the navy. After eight weeks at Great Lakes Training School he was transferred to Norfolk, Virginia, Hospital Corps School. He is now on duty as dietician in the Naval Hospital at Philadelphia, Pa.

—1943—

Ed Osborn, Ex-'43, visited the campus in September while on a nine-day furlough from his duties in the navy. He has just completed his training at the Great Lakes Training School and expected to be sent to the West Coast soon.

—1962—

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henderson, '27, announce the birth of a daughter on June 24, 1941.