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## ZBT Has a Welcome Ready for New Freshman Class

### Alumni Enjoy Annual June Class Reunions

Gene Kaufmann '26 Handles Uniforms for His Class

Alumni reunion weekend in June was a big time on the Hill, but, alas not many ZBT alumni got back for the doings. We went over the list of men registered and found only six from the chapter.

They were *E. Lysle Aschaffenburg* '13 of New Orleans, La., who came up for the graduation of his son, *Al* '41; *Bruno V. Bitker* '21 of Milwaukee, Wisc.; *Eugene M. Kaufman* '26, Philadelphia; *Harold S. L. Weiner* '30, Ithaca; *Alfred W. Edleman* '38 and *Sylvan Cole* '39, both of New York City.

There were 2,002 men and women registered this year, a slight drop from last year. However, the class of '16 set a new attendance record when they registered 285. They were very proud of their achievement, and their maroon blazer coats were very much in evidence.

The class of '31 had 171 registered as they celebrated their 10th. Unfortunately, there wasn't a ZBT registered in either '16 or '31. Class of '26 was next with 148, and they had a great time as they served as the host class. They were dressed in bright red jackets and light trousers, for which Gene Kaufmann was responsible as "counsellor".

The usual program of class banquets, meetings of Alumni Association and Alumni Fund, sings in front of Goldwyn Smith, beer behind the dorms, and the rally in Bailey Hall took place. A number of bus tours

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### Spear '40 With Westinghouse

Some recent alumni will remember *James D. Spear* '40, who attended Cornell a short time. He married Marjorie Stern of Pittsburgh several years ago, and is employed by Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh. His residence is 601 Kirtland Street.

### More ZBT's Are Participating In Activities; Fred Guterman Is Elected to Quill & Dagger

The amount of participation in campus activities by ZBT's in recent years has been on the increase. Note this rather ambitious list.

Seniors: *Dave Bradt* elected to Phi Kappa Phi, scholarship honorary. Tau Beta Pi, engineering honorary, business manager of *Engineer*. *Carl Salmon* trumpet soloist in the Big Red band, member of University Orchestra, Clef Club, Instrumental Club. *Al Aschaffenburg*, member of Dramatic Club.

Juniors: *Ed Arenson* on Willard Straight Board of Managers and Junior Prom committee. *Justin Brandt* in advanced R. O. T. C. *Fred Guterman*, crew coxie, Tau Beta Pi, Quill & Dagger. *Dave Hast*, circulation manager of the *Sun*.

Sophomores: *Jim Lorie*, circulation manager of *Widow*, member of Book & Bowl. *Miller Harris*, Book & Bowl. *Chuck Barnett*, editorial board of *Engineer*. *Phil Weisman*, crew. *Leon Sunstein* on tennis team. *Dex Kohn*, jayvee baseball. *Bud Bradt*, *Engineer* business board, Kappa Tau Chi. *Jean Saks*, associate member of Dramatic Club. *Bob Gordon*, Big Red Band, Dean's List. *Jack Kaman*, Dean's List.

Freshmen: *Mort Goldenberg*, soccer. *Art Kesten*, basketball and baseball. *Skeeter Myers*, wrestling. *Dan Bloch*, swimming, frosh governing board. *Merrill Sands*, baseball. *Arnold Tofias*, crew. *Joel Hillman*, rifle team. *Ed Gaines*, tennis and *Widow* editorial board. *Dick Alexander*, Frosh Banquet Committee. *Henry Lustig*, associate member of Dramatic Club, Frosh Cap Burning Committee.

### New Rules Will Make Rushing Less Hectic

Bidding to Be Done By Card, Not in Person

This article is for the freshmen--the men of '45.

Fraternity rushing at Cornell has long been considered a hectic time. Formerly, there were four concentrated days, beginning the very first day of registration, of fraternity men calling upon freshmen, and freshmen visiting houses for meals and social calls. This year you new men are getting a break.

Rushing does not start this fall until Wednesday following the Monday of registration. There will be six days in all, with a "moratorium" of no rushing on Sunday. This spreads the occasion over a longer period, gives the freshman more time to select his house, and gives the house more time in selecting the men it wishes to pledge.

#### Rushing Dates in General

When a freshman has a date with us, one or two of our members will call for him at his room, or possibly meet him on the campus if it is a luncheon date. He is taken to the house where he can meet the membership of the chapter, look over the premises; have lunch or dinner as the case may be, and perhaps indulge in bridge, ping pong or just plain conversation afterwards.

Formerly, freshmen were pledged to houses on the fourth night of rushing, and were usually pledged at the house. This year fraternities may present written bids to freshmen on

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### First of '41 Class to Marry

To *Reuben Garner* '41 goes the distinction of being the first graduate of his class to tack on the ball and chain. The fortunate little lassie is Miss Mary Garson, from Reuben's home city of Rochester. The date was June 22, and *Joe Alexander* '42 was best man.

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Jack Kaman '43  
Chuck Barnett '43

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Clippings, photographs, news for publications and letters are solicited at all times. Please address the editor at the chapter house, Edgecliff, Ithaca, New York.

### A Few Items in General About Happenings in Ithaca

Among the general items about the campus and town; the new University golf course is receiving plenty of use, and the nine holes are considered the toughest in these parts. . . . this is due mainly to the fact the greens are unusual in contour, are rolling and very well trapped.

The contract has been let for the replacement of the Stewart Avenue bridge over Fall Creek. This is good news to us at Edgecliff since the closing of the bridge last spring caused us many detours. . . . Completion of the new span isn't scheduled until along in the winter, however.

East State Street is being paved during the summer, and not because it didn't need it. . . . the new pavement extends from Aurora Street on up the hill. . . . Thurston Avenue is also being resurfaced from Triphammer Bridge to Barton Place, and here again the comment is the same.

Summer school enrollment dropped a little this year, principally among the male population—showing the effect of the defense program even in educational circles.

## Men Expected Back for 1941-42

### Seniors

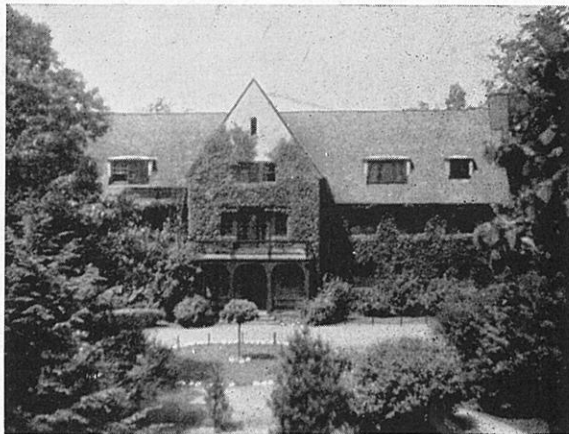
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|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Joe Alexander   | Arts & Sciences | Binghamton, N. Y.  |
| Ed Arenson      | Mechanical      | Toledo, Ohio       |
| Justin Brandt   | Arts            | New York City      |
| Reuben Garner   | Arts            | Rochester, N. Y.   |
| Fred Guterman   | Mechanical      | Boston, Mass.      |
| Dave Hast       | Arts            | Pittsburgh, Pa.    |
| Dave Mendelsohn | Arts            | Steubenville, Ohio |
| Mickey Newman   | Arts            | Lawrence, N. Y.    |

### Juniors

|                   |        |                      |
|-------------------|--------|----------------------|
| Chuck Barnett     | Ad Eng | Shaker Heights, Ohio |
| Morris Bradt, Jr. | Ad Eng | Erie, Pa.            |
| Bill Buxbaum      | Civil  | New York City        |
| Bob Gordon        | Arts   | Bridgeport, Conn.    |
| Ted Hankoff       | Hotel  | Miami Beach, Fla.    |
| Miller Harris     | Arts   | Philadelphia, Pa.    |
| Les Jacobs        | Arts   | Dallas, Texas        |
| Jack Kaman        | Arts   | Rochester, N. Y.     |
| Dex Kohn          | Arts   | Brookline, Mass.     |
| Jim Lorie         | Arts   | Kansas City, Mo.     |
| Mal Marglis       | Arts   | Bridgeport, Conn.    |
| Jean Saks         | Arts   | Hackensack, N. J.    |
| Leon Sunstein     | Arts   | Elkins Park, Pa.     |
| Phil Weisman      | Arts   | Dayton, Ohio         |

### Sophomores

|                  |        |                         |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| Anthony Ach      | Arts   | Wyoming, Ohio           |
| Dick Alexander   | Arts   | Binghamton, N. Y.       |
| Hu Aronson       | Arts   | Scarsdale, N. Y.        |
| Dan Bloch        | Arts   | Dayton, Ohio            |
| Norman Brandt    | Arts   | New York City           |
| Ed Gaines        | Arts   | New York City           |
| Mort Goldenberg  | Arts   | Philadelphia            |
| Dick Gordon      | Arch   | New York City           |
| Joel Hillman, II | Hotel  | Atlantic City, N. J.    |
| Art Kesten       | Arts   | Malverne, N. Y.         |
| Henry Lustig     | Arts   | Brookline, Mass.        |
| Len Myers        | Arts   | West Hartford, Conn.    |
| Bob Platoff      | Arts   | Weehawken, N. J.        |
| George Rosenfeld | Mech   | Scarsdale, N. Y.        |
| Merrill Sands    | Ad Eng | Cleveland Heights, Ohio |
| Arnold Tofias    | Ad Eng | Newton Centre, Mass.    |



Zeta Beta Tau's Cornell Home

### Changes to Alumni Address File

Walter Hertz '15, 9 St. Francis Street, Newark, N. J.

Arthur I. Abelson '16, 33 Proctor Blvd., Utica, N. Y.

Alfred M. Saperston '19, 5 Nottingham Terrace, Buffalo, N. Y.

Earl S. Kramer '23, 164 W. 79th Street, New York City.

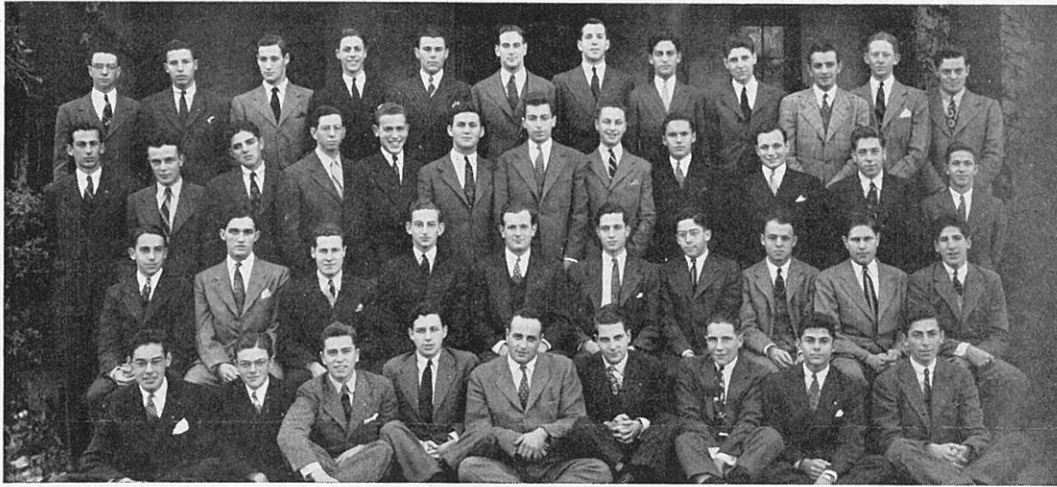
George J. Segal '23, 728 Bankers Security Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

Harry Lane '26, 139 East 39th Street, New York City.

Myron J. Morgenroth '26, A. Polsky Co., Akron, Ohio.

Emanuel S. Marks '29, 16 Observatory Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio.

## Most of These Men Will Be Back in September



**BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT:** R. Alexander, Rosenfeld, Buxbaum, Saks, Kohn, Barnett, Sunstein, Jacobs, Lorie, Marglis, Weisman, Kesten. **Third row:** Aronson, Kaman, R. S. Gordon, J. Alexander, Hast, Mendelsohn, J. Brandt, Guterman, Newman, Arenson, Lustig, Platoff.  
**Second:** M. Bradt, Hankoff, Garner, Salmon, Obernauer, Gerstley, D. Bradt. **Aschaffenburg, Blass, Harris.** **Front:** Ach, Tofias, R. H. Gordon, Gaines, Myers, Goldenberg, Sands, Bloch, N. Brandt.

### Over Two Thousand Alumni Enjoy Annual Class Reunions

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about the campus and general vicinity were run. And the cornerstone of Olin Hall for Chemical Engineering was laid.

The Saturday night rally in Bailey Hall was the high point of the weekend for most alumni. With 2,002 alumni and spectators jamming the auditorium, the class of '26 put on the program. Harry V. Wade '26, Sigma Chi, was master of ceremonies and called the assembly to order while dressed in tail coat. He stated very solemnly that this year the program would consist chiefly of talks by professors, and reports on engineering research. He was very promptly booted, and further drowned out by the appearance of the Big Red band which marched down the aisles in two single columns and proceeded up on the stage. Some 50 members of '26 made their appearance via an Austin which was pushed on the platform.

Wade took off the tail coat and the program got under way. Al Sulla '29, well-known to more recent alumni, entertained with banjo solos. The senior quartet got off several novelty numbers. A hot drummer from the graduating class did his stuff; several notables were introduced and Presi-

### Game Room Sees Heavy Service

The chapter's basement game room is being used more and more in recent years. The ping pong table is always a popular spot, while the piano also gets thumped occasionally. The walls have been adorned with paintings of Cornell's songs for the classes, which most alumni will remember.

### Barach '39 With Propeller Company

Joe L. Barach, of that distinguished class of '39, is an engineer in the Curtis Propeller Division at Caldwell, N. J. After leaving Cornell, he studied one year at Penn. His address is 83 Amsterdam Avenue, Passaic, N. J.

dent Day gave his annual talk. Bob Butler '05 led the singing again, and the rally was considered one of the snappiest in years.

While the '26 class treasurer was called upon to give his report, a repair crew from the class went to work on a "sour" organ pipe. They produced a dummy pipe from the organ loft and from it withdrew articles of women's apparel, some old hats, and finally two live, white ducks, all of which were tossed over the footlights into the laps of the men of '16. During the general hullabaloo, the treasurer was very quietly reading his report—and nobody heard or cared what he said.

### New Rushing Rules Should Make The First Week Less Hectic

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Tuesday night, September 30. There will be no rushing the following day. After 4:00 in the afternoon freshmen are to take their bids to Willard Straight desk, turn in the bids and state their choice. They will then be turned over to a member of that house.

Zeta Beta Tau has a rather unique home at Cornell. It is perched on a ledge which offers a view over the city of Ithaca and over Lake Cayuga, as well as a view of the largest waterfall in this section of the state. The first floor of the house is comfortably furnished and equipped—the dining room regularly serving approximately 40 men. Study rooms are arranged in suites of two rooms, one for study and one for sleeping. There are two and three men to a suite depending upon its size. Twenty-two can live in the house at one time.

There is a game room in the basement equipped with ping pong table, piano, benches, etc. The lawn around the house is large enough for softball or a little football; and in the winter we usually construct a rink for ice skating. The house is owned by the Alumni Corporation to which the undergraduate chapter pays rent.

### They Won Letters or Numerals



THESE ATHLETIC-LOOKING gentlemen are the chapter's letter and numeral winners last year. Front row, left to right: Skeeter Myers '44, wrestling; Joel Hillman '44, rifle; Fred Guterman '42, crew coxie; Mort Goldenberg '44, soccer; Merrill Sands '44, baseball. Back: Dex Kohn '43, baseball and hockey; Leon Sunstein '43, tennis; Art Kesten '44, basketball and baseball; Phil Weisman '43, crew; Bill Buxbaum '43, 150-pound football.

### What We Do During Summer Or Why It's Good to Get Back

While approximately a dozen ZBT's are attending summer session this year, other chapter members are spending the vacation months in a variety of other ways. For instance, *Chuck Barnett '43* is a counsellor at a Michigan camp; *Miller Harris '43* is working for Railway Express in Philadelphia; *Joel Hillman '44* is working in an airplane factory at Newark, N. J.; *Mort Goldenberg '44* is vacationing in Swampscott, Mass.; your editor is doing defense work at the Bendix Aircraft plant in Rochester. And so it goes. The summer may be vacation for some—for the rest of us, we'll be glad to get back in September.

### Sig Kriegsmann Recently Married

Latest matrimonial venture to come to our attention is that of *Sigmund A. (Junior) Kriegsmann '40* to Miss Helen Trounstein of Cincinnati. The wedding took place in Cincinnati on July 24 and was followed by a honeymoon at Lake Tahoe. They have since journeyed out to Redding, Calif., where Sig is managing a Coca-Cola Bottling plant.

### We're Placing Bets Cautiously On the 1941 Big Red Machine

A word to you football fans—and that should be about 99% of our alumni.

Thus far, the Big Red team for 1941, is pretty much an unknown quantity. Since practically the entire starting lineup of the 1940 club was graduated, Mr. Carl Gray Snavelly has to start almost from scratch. He had some good reserve material last year which is available; and then Mose Quinn has passed along some good prospects from last year's freshman team.

The schedule of home games this year follows: October 4, Syracuse; October 25, Colgate; November 8, Yale; November 15, Dartmouth; Homecoming date has not been announced, but it will be either the Yale or Dartmouth games. We'll let you know definitely in the early fall.

### Chuck Freeman '30 Married in June

We have received a brief news item that *Charles M. (Chuck) Freeman '30* of New York City married Miss Phyllis J. Saks on June 18, 1941. The bride attended Mount Holyoke, and we address Chuck at 444 Madison Avenue.

### We're Still Trying to Locate Alumni Who Haven't Written

This is the fourth installment of "Seldom-Heard-From" alumni. If you are in this list, let's hear from you with a little news about yourself.

Will you scan the entire list, and if any men are from your community will you check their address with telephone book or city directory. If we are in error we would like to know about it so the files can be corrected.

*Earl S. Kramer '23*, 164 79th St., New York City.

*Hugh B. Kohlmeyer '23*, 6033 Benjamin Street, New Orleans, La.

*Alfred S. Kronheimer '13*, address desired.

*Henry Lane '26*, 139 East 35th Street, New York City.

*Elmer D. Laurence '21*, address needed.

*Philip Leon '36*, 3334 Lee Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

*Louis E. Leyens '21*, 1104 South Avenue, Vicksburg, Miss.

*Benjamin Lichtenstein '18*, 99 Wall Street, New York City.

*Morris A. Lightman '13*, 415 S. Highland Place, Memphis, Tenn.

*Alfred Lilienthal '34*, 215 West 90th Street, New York City.

*John K. Livingston '20*, 183 Bridge Road, San Mateo, Calif.

*Dr. Leon Loewe '15*, 177 New York Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Herbert Lustberg, '18* 212 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

*Robert J. Manheimer '24*, 393 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

*Monroe C. Mark '23*, 200 W. 36th Street, New York City.

*Emanuel S. Marks '29*, 16 Observatory Hill, Cincinnati, Ohio.

### Alumni Are Invited to Send Names of Rushing Prospects

May we respectfully urge our alumni to send to rushing chairman *Edward B. Aronson '42* the names and addresses of boys you would like to recommend for chapter membership. We certainly don't want to miss out on relatives and friends. We are always anxious to look up a boy who comes alumni-recommended.

*Eddie's* address in 540 Collins Street, Toledo, Ohio, but he may be addressed at the chapter house after September 10. We hope to have a report for you on a banner pledge class in the next *Edgecliff News*.