



Executive Board members of the San Francisco Bay Area Alumni Club include Paul Lee, '37-'41, treasurer; Emily Smith, '31ma, vice president; Josephine Paxton, '29ba, secretary, and George Penney, '28-'30, president.

School Life Has Changed

How would you like to attend a school that takes a tour which includes Paris, Venice, Florence, Rome, Naples, Milan and the Island of Capri?

Frances Neal, '42fa, is now on such a tour with the Parson's School of Design of New York. She and her friend, Pauline Jackson, started on this tour July 25. They flew to Paris where they spent two weeks and made some sidetrips into Compeigne and Switzerland.

Then they went into Italy, visited Venice several days, then to Florence, Rome and Naples. When the girls reached the Island of Capri, the tour was almost over. So they decided to stay there to paint and make designs. They rented a small villa and began making designs which they sent to their agents in New York. Both are commercial artists and make fabric, drapery and wallpaper designs.

While on Capri they made trips to Pompeii, Herculaneum, Sorrento and other scenic and historic wonders of Italy. When they left Capri, they returned to Rome to spend Christmas. There they watched the tourists and pilgrims flocking to Rome for the Holy Year.

From Rome they went to Florence for another visit. Then on to Milan where they saw Patricia Connor, '40fa, who is studying music. On January 15 they returned to Paris to spend the remainder of winter. They will work and study there and return to New York in the spring.



FRANCIS NEAL

Frances has recently been receiving some nice publicity in New York. She had a write-up and picture in the May issue of *Interior Design and Decoration*. The title of the article was "Interior Design Presents Frances Neal, first in a series of profiles of new talent—Personalities who are in the vanguard."

► Paul V. Keen, chairman of the department of intramural athletics, attended a meeting in Columbus, Ohio, where the problems of intramurals were discussed December 26-31.

► Bud Wilkinson attended the Big Seven Conference meeting in Kansas City November 30-December 3.

► Dean Harrison Kerr of the College of Fine Arts traveled to Tulsa for consultation with the art museum director, Washington, D.C., to discuss a chamber music grant and to New York City to attend board meetings December 15-24.

► Dr. Simon H. Wender, professor of chemistry, went to New York City to pursue business related to U. S. Public Health Service grant and to present a paper at A.A.A.S. meeting December 23-January 2.

Bay Group See Chinatown

By JOSEPHINE PAXTON, '29BA

On October 22, the members of the San Francisco Bay Area Alumni Association had a get-together dinner at the Lamps of China restaurant, after which we all took a fascinating tour through this fine Chinatown of ours.

The president, George Penney, '28-'30, acted as toastmaster. He presented the members of the executive committee and the committee chairmen—Emily Smith, '31ma, vice president; Paul Lee, '37-'41, treasurer; Belle Gough, '26ba, '31ma, and Pearl Morris, '32ba, '34ma, chairman, and myself as secretary. He gave a short summary of the past activities of the club; the secretary gave an informal reading of minutes; introductions were made and everyone had a chance to contribute ideas about the future meetings.

Those attending were:

Nina Stone Morris, '29ba, and her husband; Jean Young, '40bs, and her father; David Ray, '27ba, and Mrs. Ray; Jim O. Shead, '36-'38, and Mrs. Shead; Belle Gough, '26ba, '31ma; Lee Laird, '20fa, and Mrs. Laird, and Floyd Laird; Pearl Morris, '32ba, '34ma, George Penney, '28-'30, and Mrs. Penney; Robert Harper, '41ba, Emily Smith, '31ma, Howard Moon, '38-'40, and Mrs. Moon; Mrs. J. F. Paxton, '01ba, James Murphy, '39m.ed, and Mrs. Murphy; Paul Lee, '37-'41, and Alma Robertson, '20ba, and myself of course.

► Seven members of the English department attended the meeting of the South Central Modern Language Association in Little Rock, Arkansas, December 25-28. They were Dr. Jewel Wurtzbaugh, Dr. Stanley K. Coffman, John E. Hardy, Dr. Leonard B. Beach, Dr. John M. Raines, Dr. Rudolph C. Bambas and Dr. Stewart C. Wilcox.

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Legal Association Picks Alumnus

James D. Fellers, '36ba, '36Law, Oklahoma City, has been elected to the board of directors of the National Legal Aid Association. This is the name under which the 25-year-old National Association of Legal Aid Organizations was reorganized and incorporated at Boston, Massachusetts, on October 15, 1949.

The purposes of this association are to promote and develop legal aid work; to encourage the formation of new legal aid organizations wherever they may be needed, whose purpose is to render legal aid without charge to all who may appear to be entitled and who are unable to procure assistance elsewhere.

U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson is honorary president of the association.

Casler Promoted by Armour

William A. Casler, '40bs, has been named assistant director of research at Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology. He is in charge of stimulating new fields of research and assists in the administrative operation of the research division.

Casler joined the foundation staff in April, 1946, as a research engineer after serving four years in that capacity at Caterpillar Tractor Company in Peoria.

In September, 1946, he became supervisor of the propulsion section in the applied mechanics research department and in March of 1947 became assistant chairman of that department.

► Fern O. Boan, professor of social work, represented the school of social work at the annual meeting of the American Association of Schools of Social Work in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, January 21-26.