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Here it is September and a gentle reminder comes from the class notes editor of the Review that notes are due for the November issue. The pathetic plea we made last May for a word or two on your summer activities brought just one card. This from Harry Rollins who reported another European trip with Glendora. Among other things they visited the famous caves in France, on the walls of which are many pre-historic paintings. The colors are bright and clear even after thousands of years.... A note from Fred Goldthwait, Class Secretary of '05, who makes his home, since retirement, in Center Sandwich, N.H., states that one of his neighbors is Ida W. Pritchett, daughter of Henry S. Pritchett, who was made M.I.T. president in our freshmen year and was adopted as a member of our class. Miss Pritchett remembers when a committee from our class called at the Pritchett residence on Bay State Road and presented her father with a loving cup. ... The attendance of '04 members at Alumni Day in June was rather slim. The only ones who identified themselves were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Milliken, Arthur Smith, Bob Sosman and Tammy Rockwood. Your secretary and wife were also present.

Well that's it for now. If you are interested in these class notes help to keep them alive by sending a card now and then.-Carle R. Hayward, Secretary, Room 35-304, M.I.T., Cambridge; Eugene H. Russell Jr., Treasurer, 82 Devonshire Street, Boston.

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Following my letter of sympathy to Mrs. **Nathan Oliver**, I received a reply simplifying the brief account of his death to an earlier time. Really this is **John A. Oliver**, 1842-1912, born March 3, 1842, graduated from University of Chicago, 1902. Lived in Philadelphia, 1906-1912, building **Mattila** Road. Later with **Lighthouse Service** in Alaska. He was a **Steamship Engineer**, **Steam Compression**, **ammunition engineer** at **N. Y.**, for 13 years. **Oliver** married an -the **Schubert** Road, **Key West, Fla.**, Number 4, **Dry Dock**, **Navy Yard**, **Seattle**, **Washington**, **U.S.A.**, **1906**, **1907**, **1908**, **1909**, **1910**, **1911**, **1912**, **1913**, **1914**, **1915**, **1916**, **1917**, **1918**, **1919**, **1920**, **1921**, **1922**, **1923**, **1924**, **1925**, **1926**, **1927**, **1928**, **1929**, **1930**, **1931**, **1932**, **1933**, **1934**, **1935**, **1936**, **1937**, **1938**, **1939**, **1940**, **1941**, **1942**, **1943**, **1944**, **1945**, **1946**, **1947**, **1948**, **1949**, **1950**, **1951**, **1952**, **1953**, **1954**, **1955**, **1956**, **1957**, **1958**, **1959**, **1960**, **1961**, **1962**, **1963**, **1964**, **1965**, **1966**, **1967**, **1968**, **1969**, **1970**, **1971**, **1972**, **1973**, **1974**, **1975**, **1976**, **1977**, **1978**, **1979**, **1980**, **1981**, **1982**, **1983**, **1984**, **1985**, **1986**, **1987**, **1988**, **1989**, **1990**, **1991**, **1992**, **1993**, **1994**, **1995**, **1996**, **1997**, **1998**, **1999**, **2000**, **2001**, **2002**, **2003**, **2004**, **2005**, **2006**, **2007**, **2008**, **2009**, **2010**, **2011**, **2012**, **2013**, **2014**, **2015**, **2016**, **2017**, **2018**, **2019**, **2020**, **2021**, **2022**, **2023**, **2024**, **2025**, **2026**, **2027**, **2028**, **2029**, **2030**, **2031**, **2032**, **2033**, **2034**, **2035**, **2036**, **2037**, **2038**, **2039**, **2040**, **2041**, **2042**, **2043**, **2044**, **2045**, **2046**, **2047**, **2048**, **2049**, **2050**, **2051**, **2052**, **2053**, **2054**, **2055**, **2056**, **2057**, **2058**, **2059**, **2060**, **2061**, **2062**, **2063**, **2064**, **2065**, **2066**, **2067**, **2068**, **2069**, **2070**, **2071**, **2072**, **2073**, **2074**, **2075**, **2076**, **2077**, **2078**, **2079**, **2080**, **2081**, **2082**, **2083**, **2084**, **2085**, **2086**, **2087**, **2088**, **2089**, **2090**, **2091**, **2092**, **2093**, **2094**, **2095**, **2096**, **2097**, **2098**, **2099**, **2100**, **2101**, **2102**, **2103**, **2104**, **2105**, **2106**, **2107**, **2108**, **2109**, **2110**, **2111**, **2112**, **2113**, **2114**, **2115**, **2116**, **2117**, **2118**, **2119**, **2120**, **2121**, **2122**, **2123**, **2124**, **2125**, **2126**, **2127**, **2128**, **2129**, **2130**, **2131**, **2132**, **2133**, **2134**, **2135**, **2136**, **2137**, **2138**, **2139**, **2140**, **2141**, **2142**, **2143**, **2144**, **2145**, **2146**, **2147**, **2148**, **2149**, **2150**, **2151**, **2152**, **2153**, **2154**, **2155**, **2156**, **2157**, **2158**, **2159**, **2160**, **2161**, **2162**, **2163**, **2164**, **2165**, **2166**, **2167**, **2168**, **2169**, **2170**, **2171**, **2172**, **2173**, **2174**, **2175**, **2176**, **2177**, **2178**, **2179**, **2180**, **2181**, **2182**, **2183**, **2184**, **2185**, **2186**, **2187**, **2188**, **2189**, **2190**, **2191**, **2192**, **2193**, **2194**, **2195**, **2196**, **2197**, **2198**, **2199**, **2200**, **2201**, **2202**, **2203**, **2204**, **2205**, **2206**, **2207**, **2208**, **2209**, **2210**, **2211**, **2212**, **2213**, **2214**, **2215**, **2216**, **2217**, **2218**, **2219**, **2220**, **2221**, **2222**, **2223**, **2224**, **2225**, **2226**, **2227**, **2228**, **2229**, **2230**, **2231**, **2232**, **2233**, **2234**, **2235**, **2236**, **2237**, **2238**, **2239**, **2240**, **2241**, **2242**, **2243**, **2244**, **2245**, **2246**, **2247**, **2248**, **2249**, **2250**, **2251**, **2252**, **2253**, **2254**, **2255**, **2256**, **2257**, **2258**, **2259**, **2260**, **2261**, **2262**, **2263**, **2264**, **2265**, **2266**, **2267**, **2268**, **2269**, **2270**, **2271**, **2272**, **2273**, **2274**, **2275**, **2276**, **2277**, **2278**, **2279**, **2280**, **2281**, **2282**, **2283**, **2284**, **2285**, **2286**, **2287**, **2288**, **2289**, **2290**,

Ben Lindley is back in Falls Church, Va. (OW Poplar Infect). His letter takes us back 50 years and I quote: "Speaking of Willard Simpson, wasn't that a fine lot

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It may be just another symptom of aging but our 56th Reunion was coincidental with the general in-gathering at the luncheon and dinner on Alumni Day, June 12. The attendance, however, was very gratifying and the old '05 spirit rampant. Present at the dinner were Court and Elizabeth Babcock, Myron and Rose Helpem, Frank and Mae Chesterman, Leonard and Beatrice Cronkhite, Andy and Frances Fisher with grandsons Andrew Fisher, 4th, and Graham Hunter (Edith's son), Isadore and Sarah Nye, Art Balkam, Henry Buff, Harry Charlesworth, Bert Files, Gil Joslin, Hub Kenway, Bob McLean, Gib Tower, and Ruth and I. Andrew, 4th, had been admitted to the freshman class at Columbia. There were 25 at the luncheon. Any name omitted is unintentional. Someone will have to remind me and get special mention in another issue. Most of the above attended the dinner and the Babcocks, Chestermans, Helpems, Nyes, Goldthwaits and Harry Charlesworth attended the very fine Pops Concert in the evening. Considerable regrets were expressed that we were omitting a chummy reunion on Cape Cod. If someone (or several) regret sufficiently, we might try it again; otherwise future reunions will probably take the same form as this year's, with a real special in 1965.

How many have subscribed to and received the new Centennial Alumni Register? It contains a record of all who ever attended M.I.T. and is a tribute to the editors. If enough of those who did not get it wish, I will compile (probably multigraph) a complete list of living '05 men with addresses. Probable cost, one buck. Looking through the register I note many interesting things. There are 90 living of those who got their S.B. with us. Counting those who walked up Rogers steps to register with '05 there are 161 living. I note that three '05 men got both a bachelor's and master's degree: Reverend S. Atmore Caine and Gilbert S. Tower in Naval Architecture and George Burrows in Architecture. Does anyone ever hear from Burrows? In spite of the fact that we have for years carried his address in New Haven, we have never had any news from or regarding him. Or Ralph Whitcomb? Of at least a dozen personal letters addressed to him in London, none were ever returned (or answered).

Frank Longley apparently is in good health for he commutes from West Dennis Mass. (summers) to Florida (winters).... Also from Florida comes word that Norman Lombard, II, is still president of the Institute of Applied Citizenship and very active in the work of the Joint Committee on Basic Citizenship at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.... Chet Shaw, VI, writes, also from Florida, "We live in an environment of aged people with many troubles, but are fortunate to have good health. Because the states became rigorous in requiring permits for our over-legal length trailers, we, seven years ago, bought a smaller one." Thus our "all-48-states traveler" has had to limit his scope to Florida to Abington Mass., and all way stations.

Following my letter of sympathy to Mrs. Norman Chivers, I received a reply amplifying the brief account of his death in an earlier issue. Briefly this is it: Born April 18, 1882, Buffalo N.Y.; died March 9, 1961. Graduated from University of Chicago, 1902. Lived in Philippines 1906-1913, building Manila Railroad. Later with Lighthouse Service throughout the Islands. With Frederick Svare Corporation, construction engineers in N.Y., for 35 years. Projects worked on - the Submarine Base, Key West, Fla., Number 4 Dry Dock, Navy Yard, Norfolk Va., Marine Parkway Bridge connecting Rockaway, L.I., to Brooklyn, several coffer dams on the Chesapeake Bay Bridge at Annapolis. Family retired to DeBarry, Fla., in 1956. Had three married daughters.... Answering a few prods, Walter B Cain, XIII, has come across with a letter, which he claims will prove uninteresting to the men he knew at M.I.T.

Nevertheless, because it tells of his business connections, I am quoting briefly: "I put in 30 years as production manager, 10 with the Baird Machine Company in Bridgeport, and 20 here at the Whitin Machine Works, and never had any high ambitions, held no public office nor performed any outstanding public service - just a very ordinary member of the community. I have always enjoyed excellent health, have been very happily married for 53 years and have a daughter with two grandsons three houses up the street. I detest social gatherings such as teas, dinners, and receptions as I am such a poor mixer that I always have a miserable time and much prefer my secluded life centered almost entirely on family affairs. Since retiring in '45, I have enjoyed the last 16 years more than any other period of my life and have developed the art of idleness to the point where I can make a ten-minute job last all day and when it is over you would scarcely know I'd done it at all."

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