

Charles Kraus, b, reports that he's an accountant for Skelly Gas & Oil Co. in Kansas City, Mo. His address, 4322 Terrace Ave.

Dale Kuns is employed at the Bank of Bronson, Bronson.

Ethel Newland teaches at Wiley, Colo.

Donald Phelps, b, has an accountant's job with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. in Kansas City, Mo. His address, 4145 Warwick Blvd.

Esther Shively took on a job, beginning, July 1, as social welfare case worker. Her address, 212 W. Walnut, Arkansas City.

Louise Slentz has a temporary address at Lewis. She had been taking some special work in dietetics at Iowa State College.

Jack Topolsky is a student at the Columbia University School of Oral and Dental Surgery. His address, 3092 Brighton 4th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Bailey Winton, e, has work as a draftsman at the Butler Mfg. Co. in Kansas City, Mo. His address there, 3930 Euclid Ave.

Virginia Quiring Wood is attending the Williams Institute of Mortuary Science in Kansas City, Kan., with his husband. Their address, 631 Freeman Ave.

Gerald Young, e, is employed as architect with E. V. Holden in the Commerce Trust Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. His home address is 1603 E. 41st St.

Married—

George Cochran, p, to Margaret Ann Charles fs'40, Jan. 15. They are making their home at Coffeyville.

Willa Louise Harper to Drewry Adamson of Columbus, Ga., Dec. 4. The address is 1001 Oakview Ave.

Thelma Page to Elden Johnson, fs'35, Oct. 2, 1938. They are living at Luray.

Engaged, Barbara Koenig, fs, to Lt. Roy C. Heflebower Jr. of the U. S. Army field artillery. The couple will be married Feb. 25, and will make a wedding trip to China and Japan. Lt. Heflebower is stationed at Fort Stotsenburg, P. I. Barbara is the daughter of Colonel

W. C. Koenig, former commandant of the R.O.T.C. at the University, who is now in command of the only anti-aircraft regiment in the Philippines.

New Adresse—Josephine Korte, n, 1534 Topeka Blvd., Topeka.—Brandon Jenison, e, 7712 Ridgeland, Chicago, Ill.—Josephine Laws, 610 E. 47th St., Kansas City, Mo.

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Valiant Barner, fs, lives at 3716 5th St., Port Arthur, Tex.

FACULTY

Karl Mattern, assistant professor of drawing and painting, served as one of three judges for the annual Midwestern Art exhibit held Jan. 20 and 21 at the Kansas City Art Institute.

Prof. U. G. Mitchell, '06, g'07, is the author of a booklet "The Study and Teaching of the History of Mathematics," which has been reprinted from the *National Mathematics Magazine* for October, 1938. The paper was first presented before the American Association for the advancement of Science, meeting in St. Louis, Mo., in 1936.

Dean Frederick Moreau is the author of one of the leading articles in the *Journal of the Kansas Bar Association* for November, "What Constitutes a Practical Legal Education." The same issue contains five "comments" by second and third year law students at the University. Harry Deutch, William Kirby, John Farley, Omer Voss, Charles Ward, Eugene Buchanan, Charles Henshall, and Oscar Belin are the student authors.

Dean Paul B. Lawson, g'17, Ph.D.'19, was called out to western Kansas during January, to take part in the dedication ceremonies for the fine new high school at Oberlin. Dean Lawson spoke at Oberlin and also at Norton, where Mary Hays, '24, g'29, and others took quick advantage of his coming to arrange speaking dates.

Dr. James Naismith has an article in the January *Rotarian* describing the origin and spread of the now famous game of basketball. Dr. Naismith was on the staff of the Y.M.C.A. College at Springfield, Mass., when the need arose for an indoor, winter game that would appeal to the students like outdoor games. Delving into his experience with football, soccer, lacrosse, and a childhood game called "duck", Dr. Naismith added some touches of his own and showed that while there might not be anything new under the sun there were still some new combinations of the old.

The first "basket" was literally a basket—originally it had held peaches. It was nailed to a railing in the gymnasium.

The chance fact that basketball originated in a Y.M.C.A. college insured its early spread, for the young men who played the first basketball games were headed for China, Japan, India, Persia, the Philippines, many of the countries of Europe and the states of their own country.

Dr. Naismith was ordained a minister in the Presbyterian church and received his M.D. degree, but he "has never held a pastorate or put out a physician's shingle." Strangely enough however, it was his training for the ministry rather than his invention of basketball that won him his place on the University of Kansas faculty. Chancellor Snow was looking for a man who could direct physical education and at the same time conduct chapel exercises. So Dr. Naismith originally came to Kansas because he could pray.

Prof. L. A. Zurcher of the electrical engineering department attended the meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in New York City, Jan. 23 to 27.

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	NEW ALL TIME HIGHS	GAINS
Total Life Insurance in Force	\$116,232,104.00	\$1,574,560.00
Total Admitted Assets	17,800,142.11	1,901,592.82
Total Income for Year	6,200,157.39	91,486.83
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MEASURE THE COMPANY BY THE GAINS IN FINANCIAL STRENGTH DURING 1938 AS SHOWN IN THE COMPARISON OF FIGURES BELOW

CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENT		
ASSETS	December 31, 1937	December 31, 1938
First Mortgage Loans	\$ 6,064,066.47	\$ 7,094,707.33
Bonds	5,028,276.17	5,430,154.26
Loans to Policyowners	1,640,161.91	1,948,614.07
Cash in Banks	372,639.52	591,848.52
Home Office Building	1,150,000.00	1,050,000.00
Other Real Estate	787,521.62	784,540.23
Interest and Rents Due and Accrued	158,497.03	172,537.69
Premiums in Course of Collection	697,386.57	727,740.01
TOTAL	\$15,898,549.29	\$17,800,142.11
RESERVES AND SURPLUS		
Reserve to Guarantee Policy Obligations	\$13,730,516.66	\$15,422,905.85
Reserve for Taxes	167,275.40	159,880.28
Reserve for Premiums and Interest		
Paid in Advance	363,311.32	419,727.23
Reserve for Other Miscellaneous Obligations	157,104.89	156,062.12
Total Reserves	\$14,418,208.27	\$16,158,575.48
Capital Stock	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 500,000.00
Contingency Surplus	225,000.00	250,000.00
General Surplus	755,341.02	891,566.63
Total Surplus to Policyowners	\$ 1,480,341.02	\$ 1,641,566.63
TOTAL	\$15,898,549.29	\$17,800,142.11

RATIO OF \$110.16 ASSETS FOR EACH \$100.00 LIABILITIES

These figures show that B.M.A. has \$110.16 assets for each \$100.00 of liabilities—a ratio equaled by few American Life Insurance companies, even including the oldest and largest in the country. For detailed 1938 Financial Statement, write the Business Men's Assurance Company, B.M.A. Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

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