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HOME-COMING REPORT

The 1949 Home-Coming brought the smallest attendance in the last twenty years. Only 90 persons registered and only 70 attended the banquet. This in spite of one of the most interesting programs ever offered.

Miss Juana de Laban of the University of Michigan demonstrated and taught modern dance activities; many of the visitors participated. A new part of the program was a Health Carnival showing projects that can be set up for schools to present to PTA and community groups in order to interest them in current health practices. Many health organizations participated by lending valuable material. Mrs. Clara L. Hester and Mr. Paul Chappelle spent many days in acquiring such material and presenting it to the audience.

At the Alumni Banquet and meeting Dr. Herman B Wells, president of Indiana University, and Dr. W. W. Patty, dean of the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, were present and praised Mrs. Clara L. Hester for her 25 years of work in the Normal College. Dr. Carl B. Sputh and Miss Gladys B. Larsen also spoke. Bobby Larsen has mentioned in her report on another page, the presents Mrs. Hester received.

The Alumni meeting discussed a proposed new constitution which was adopted with the exception of a recommendation to establish life memberships. However, the increase of the dues from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per year was adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Henry Lohse, Indianapolis; Vice-President, Harry Grabner,

Fort Wayne; Secretary, Mrs. Constance Zimlich, and Treasurer, Ray Zimlich, Indianapolis. Elections will now be held biennially.

Smaller attendance at Home-Coming in recent years may perhaps be partly due to an idea of the Normal College students who attended only two years and then transferred to Bloomington, that they are not graduates of the College and therefore do not belong to the Alumni Association. President Wells suggested that some way might be found to make such students, or graduates, become members of both the Indiana University Alumni and the Normal College Alumni. The members present supported such a move for it was the consensus of the opinion of all that Normal College Home-Coming should be continued.

CAMP BROSIUS

Camp Brosius will again be operated this summer as in the past: camp for the College students during the month of June; children's camp during July and the first half of August; hotel from June 30 until Labor Day.

The more important repairs that will be made in spring, include reconditioning of the track; new doors for all cabins; rearranging of the lighting systems in the halls. Many other minor repairs will be made and some new equipment purchased.

It may surprise many readers, but it is a fact that 36 persons have already reserved rooms in the hotel for this season.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Sophomores

A new year-a new date,

But the same old finals, the same old fate!

Cramming for history, and all the rest.

Know it the night before, but not during the test.

Our minds are full of facts galore,

All from the colonies to the Civil War. Remembering the Anthony-Cleopatra affair.

The who, the what, the why, the where? That same old stillness—the deadly hush, That settled slowly and captures us.

Within it we sit and wiggle and squirm, Searching for a thought about that worm.

Whose name is listed under "Identification";

Oh, for a hint about his rank or nation. Then comes the practical in Graded Skills With its bumps and bruises and numerous ills.

Albina Macy from forearm stands Has floor-burned elbows and aching hands.

Springy Marty Lineback really used her head

Doing a back hand spring, whopps, did she turn red.

Stew Zeller and Tom Morrell took the cake

As expert tumblingspotters, but now they ache.

They were kicked in the shins and bopped on their heads

By ballets, bare feet and a pair of keds. Christmas vacations were fully discussed, Laughs and remarks from all of us.

But when fifty people together commence To describe New Year's Eve, you lose your sense.

This happened here and that happened there,

But one thing happened that we can't repair:

Jean Golightly engaged, is no longer here;

We miss her smile, her laugh and special good cheer.

The fellows now come equipped with creations a la hat;

Anything from brains to brims; hey you guys, how 'bout that?

Dick Ball wears cord contraption, oh the sporty kid.

While Joe Gawrys has a little rain jobbie that he calls a lid.

Fritz Rohdes was floating around one day—he's New York's favorite son,

Up on two happy flying rings; snap, then there was one.

But good old "muscles" held on tight until he finally "stoppened",

And as we rushee to question him, he calmly sighed "What happened?"

So we're still working hard and have fun in our Normal College days,

Meeting people and making friends that we'll love and recall always.

—Jane Splete.

Freshmen

Christmas is over and it's exam time again. Those students who have been sure of themselves all year are beginning to wonder if they have slipped up anywhere, and those who have taken it easy are vowing to work next semester—if they are lucky enough to get by the first semester's finals. All the students are trying to promote a course in Psychology which will enable them to interpret test questions from the smiles on the faces of the instructors as they assure the students of success if they know the material.

Rosie Whitehead has a way of beating the game, or so she thought. The other day she was working on the parallel bars and she had a little trouble getting her legs to slide smoothly on the bars. Not having a pair of the long blues like the fellas have, she tried to remedy the situation by rubbing magnesium on the inside of her legs. Needless to say, the mag was not much help. In fact, Rosie now has a good case of bar-burn.

It's good to see Ed Zirnheld back with us. He had a little throat trouble and had to miss several weeks of work, but he's digging hard to catch up. Speaking of disability, the sweet face of Mary Torrence is decorating the balcony temporarily. While practicing for the gym meet, Mary fractured her toe. Here's hoping you make it for the practicals, Mary.

Look, who's that graceful giant soaring down the floor? Look at that handspring! Why, it's the Gar. All kidding aside, Gary Hoffman may not be an expert at the handspring, but give him a basketball and you'll see some pretty tricky playing.

Bill Tiernan is taking a liking to pole climbing. In fact, he likes it so well that he doesn't bother to take his keys with him anymore. He just climbs up the porch poles and goes in a window from a roof.

It is a common sight, on the floor, to see the Reisig-Tiernan pair work furiously on a new move while Herb Vogel and Harv Prinz are working just as furiously to get the same move down first.

In spite of the nearness of the finals, the noon hour finds the gym busy with practicing contestants. Every one is getting ready for the gym meet between the Sophs and the Frosh. We are expecting a swell show in April.

-Chett McDowell.

SWATI TOLJA

We have discovered, via Handy News of the Auto-Soler Co., Atlanta, several new additions to our private dictionary of modern Americana. To-wit:

"AINCHA" (from the Siamese) pronounced as spelled, meaning "Ain't you?" —modern version of "Are you not?" "JU" meaning "Did you?"

"GOTTA" (probably low Dutch) meaning "Have you a . . . ?" or "I must."

"HARRYA" (from the Comanche) a form of salutation meaning "How are you?"

"JEET" (possibly Hungarian) Modern interrogation, as "Jeet yet?"—meaning "Did you eat yet?"

"K'MIN" (Indo-Chinese origin) pronounced "KUH-MIN"—invitational form of "Come in."

"HOOZHER" (could be Mongolian). Now used as a modern interrogatory form as: "Hoozher friend?"

"JAVA" (evidently Javanese), meaning "Did you have?" as in "Java good time?"

"SWATI" (origin obscure). Pronounced "Swat-eye", modern condensation of "That is what I . . ." as "Swati thought" and "Swati tolja in the first place."

"WURJA" (may be Italian), meaning "Where did you . . . ?" as in "Wurja get this?" From the "Postage Stamp."

IN MEMORIAM

Emil F. Hocke died October 12. He was a graduate of the Normal School in 1906. After teaching in the Dayton Turner society for several years he went to Chicago and was a member of the Physical Education staff in the public schools until his retirement some years ago.

Gladys Jacobs (Manthie), class of 1918, died December 13 at Dearborn, Mich., after an illness of several months. For several years she had worked as physical therapist at the Veterans Hospital in Dearborn. Her body was taken to Menomonie, Wis., the home of her aged parents.

Deft description: his mind is like a vacant lot—used for naught but to collect rubbish.

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THE CLASS OF '24

Thanksgiving Day found us at the Athenaeum, the general meeting place. Friday morning we watched Dr. Laban's modern dance techniques. Then we had our reunion luncheon.

Seated at our table in the Athenaeum were Clara Ledig Hester, Viola Winterhoff Wirth, Peg Wood Stocker, Babe Snyder, Mag Wright Albenberg, Jake Kazmar, Polly Giffin, Leo and Cyrilla Doering, Cora Baldauf McDougall, Katherine Anderson, and myself. Telegrams of regret came from Leah Braden Ketchum and Bill Heiland. It was the consensus of opinion of the class members present that Bill is a changed man, for the last line in his telegram said: "Wish I could be there, but work before play."

It was a grand get-together. Polly passed around pictures taken when we were at school and I told them of my visits with Clarence Porter, Augie Auernheimer, Lib Rath Hente and Al Helms. Al had asked whether it would be possible to start a circulating book in which all our classmates could write what they had done since we graduated, tell of the family, and attach snapshots. It was decided at our luncheon that we start one. When you receive the book please add your bit, change any addresses you find incorrect, and send it on. I will bring it to the next Home-Coming for all to see and if there are any requests for the completed book later, it can be returned.

A very interesting Health Carnival was presented in the afternoon.

At the Alumni Banquet, the class of '24 had the largest representation. The Alumni meeting had a special significance for us because the faculty and students honored Clara for her twentyfive years of service in the College. Dr. Wells, president of Indiana University, honored us with his presence. Tributes to Clara were paid by Dr. Wells, Dr. Patty, and Dr. Sputh. I spoke for the class of '24. Clara was presented with a beautiful mahogany clock and pen desk set. Then we sang:

> You are a grand old gal, master teacher and pal,

And you are loyal and true to I.U. You're the leader of the school we

Dynamic, creative, true blue.

Every student knows, from your head to your toes,

You're the essence of all that's fine. Your great career won't be forgot, Clara Hester, your deeds will shine.

Mil Cox and family joined us after the banquet.

Saturday morning we again watched Dr. Laban's work and then we went our many ways. The sorority and fraternity luncheons were the last meetings.

So ended another Home-Coming. My only regret is that not more Alumni were back to enjoy it, see Clara honored and meet Dr. Wells, Dr. Patty and the rest of us.

Bobby Larsen, Sec'y 1924.

REMEDIAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Two years ago the Division of Physical and Health Education of the Philadelphia schools in cooperation with the Division of Medical Services began experimental instruction in two senior and two junior high schools.

An individual remedial course was undertaken to correct certain common types of physical defects which exist among school pupils, including such defects as flat feet, posture deviations, muscular deficiencies and any other condition for which the physician recommends special physical activity.

The program planned by the two Divisions, provided individual instruction to each pupil under careful and constant supervision. Separate rooms and facilities were set aside and the pupils reported four or five periods a week for individualized attention. Each pupil had to have the approval of the family or school physician and permission from the parents. Instructors operated on a full time basis giving their undivided attention to this progressive work.

The results of the two-year experiment showed such remarkable improvements in correcting pupils' physical defects and deficiencies that the Board of Superintendents deemed the program of sufficient importance to expand it to eight additional schools last fall.

Before attending college, girls think of acquiring culture, but after graduating they spend their leisure time reading true confession magazines.

BOOK REVIEW

Camp Counseling, by A. Viola Mitchell and Ida B. Crawford. 388 pages. W. B. Saunders Co., Philadelphia. \$4.25.

This book is an excellent new text on camp leadership. It is written in four major divisions. The first two deal primarily with camp philosophy and leadership requirements and responsibilities. The greater part of the book is very practical. It deals with program aspects. The chapters on campcraft and woodcraft are devoted entirely to specific camp skills. The writers have done an excellent job of combining philosophy and practice. It should be very helpful to anyone who has the problem of training camp leaders. C. L. H.

DEMONSTRATION IN FORT WAYNE

Mrs. Clara Hester with a group of women students gave a demonstration in Fort Wayne February 4 as a part of teachers institute held for eight counties in northeastern Indiana. was given to show activities which can be used in small high schools where little equipment is available. So we showed stunts, human apparatus, rope jumping, activities with wands and rhythmics, using our tape recorder. This is just another one of the many services our school gives as a part of a state school. Harry Grabner was also on the program. He acted as consultant for the men's Physical Education section meeting.

Bad health handicaps a nation in war and peace. We are the healthiest big nation on earth because we enjoy better food, better living conditions and better medical services than other nations. Yet we are far from being as healthy as we could be. The schools should not accept all the blame, but they can't escape some.

PERSONALS

Appointments and Transfers

Caryl Gaines is an exchange teacher this year, stationed at Edmonton, Canada.

Helen Beck received her Bachelor degree from Indiana University, got married to Mr. Tweedle and is now teaching in Gary, Indiana.

Joe White also received his degree from I.U. and is teaching in the Indianapolis schools.

Henry Montoye is teaching at Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mich.

Ferdinand A. Bahr who was director of recreation at Huntington Park, has been appointed to the staff of the California Recreation Commission and is stationed in Los Angeles. He is a consultant and advisor on recreation problems in local communities.

Georgia Connelly Foster and husband will move to Mount Blanchard, Ohio, next year where both will teach.

Marcella Roberts is head of the Physical Education department at Frances Shimer Junior College, Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Both Louise Karle Murphy and husband are teaching in Nogales, Ariz. They plan to go to Washington, D.C., in May where the husband will finish his work for the Ph. D.

Viola Winterhoff Wirth has resigned from the Physical Education department in the Cincinnati schools and is teaching academic subjects.

After serving for three years as chief of corrective therapy at the Batavia Veterans Hospital, Alfred Sapecky has been appointed to the same position in the Buffalo Veterans Hospital.

Ethel Emrich Clauson has returned to Lake View High School in Chicago after a year's sabbatical leave.

Randolph Mineo has a leave of absence from the Buffalo schools and has been appointed City Director of Recreation.

Weddings

Two Normal College students, Marcia Kohn and Robert Miller, were married in August. Both are juniors now in Bloomington.

Dorothy Widman Horn is now Mrs. George Tipping and lives at Hillside, N.J.

Births

Clara Schneider (Mrs. Grant Christian) reports the arrival of a boy in November.

A girl arrived December 29 for the Fred Bifanos in Davenport. Fred now has two daughters.

Chris Wuest announced the arrival of a baby girl at Chatham, N.J.

A son was born December 25 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duerr in Buffalo.

The mother of Irene Mezek died October 24.

Leslie Boehmer was called to St. Louis recently because of the death of his father.

Bill Bishop is very active in the national teachers federation branch in Cincinnati,

Max Grob of Dayton, is one of the Big Ten gym meet judges when meets are held at Ohio State.

Pauline Wessel, teaching at Withrow high school in Cincinnati, is sporting a lovely engagement ring.

Square dancing has also caught the teachers of the Cincinnati schools for whom Bill Streit is conducting a course.

During the summers, Carl Dunning, teaching in the Cincinnati schools, is swimming director at Culver Military Academy.

Bob Ploetz is sponsoring and managing a gym meet backed by the Central Turners and the American Legion in Cincinnati.

Among those who received higher degrees at Indiana University last year, were Harold Baer, M.S., of Park Ridge, Ill., and Otto E. Ryser, Director of Physical Education, on the staff of the I.U. School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation.

John Garner has moved to Bronson, Michigan. He is agent for the Bitucote Company in northeastern Indiana and southern Michigan.

Ena Naffz (Mrs. Carl Schumacher) has a daughter who is an accomplished pianist and has given a number of concerts in Madison and other cities.

Lou Roth is director of camp Fairwood at Torch Lake, Mich., during the summers. His two children are following in his footsteps and are good pianists.

The Wanderlust Club which William A. Stecher started in Philadelphia in 1909 is still going strong. Saturday afternoon strolls to points of interest are open to the public.

In order to revive Normal College spirit among their classmates, the members of the 1929 class are getting out letters to all members. Emil H. Rothe is in charge.

The team of the new head coach at Cornell, Louis Montgomery, won the track meet with Dartmouth January 21, by 62 to 51 points. The team had winners in 10 of the 13 events.

Visitors at Normal College in January were August Anania and wife, and Robert Schanzle and wife (Edna Bradley). Gus is a first lieutenant in the Army, stationed at El Paso, Texas.

Gustav Heinemann has been promoted to rank of assistant professor of Physical and Health Education at Temple University. Temple Alumni presented him with a fine statuette of a gymnast.

Gertrude Nicke Hendricks has been very ill, but is recuperating. Her father, Fritz Nicke, is completing his 54th year as teacher of Physical Education. The Syracuse Turners gave him a testimonial dinner which 412 persons attended.

The American Turners' national basketball championship meet will be held in St. Louis March 25-26. Walter Eberhardt is in charge. The Turners' volleyball championship meet is scheduled for Buffalo, April 1-2, with John Stocker in charge. The 1951 national Turnfest will also be held in Buffalo.

Andy Lascari's daughter Elaine, an 18-year-old sophomore at Buffalo University, is quite a swimmer and gymnast. She won the diving title at the Turners' meet in Chicago and is Buffalo's diving champion, also the district gymnastics titleholder. Last summer while attending UCLA she won the College diving title.

What might be called a preliminary Home-Coming took place in Buffalo in November at a Turner meeting. Present were Al Helms who flew from Denver, Emil Pletz, Henry Schroeder, Fred Martin, Geo. Wallenta, Walter Eberhardt, Wm. Klier, Harvey Lecollier, Sam Blumer, Jack and Peggy Stocker, Ronald Moody, Fred Braun, Geo. Jacquin, Andy Lascari, Ray Ping, Matthew Poeltl, Carl Baumann and Carl Spitzer.

The Chicago Alumnae chapter of Delta Psi Kappa enjoyed a most delightful Christmas party at the home of Helen Schmitz Pritzlaff: Besides the hostess, the following Normal College Alumnae attended: Polly Giffin, Vera Carr Robertson, Hattie Hettich Vossel, Nanon Roddewig, Reo Olson, Hazel Schuenemann Gronemann, Minnie Wasserman Braker, Caroline Wasserman, Charlotte Herringer Newman and Bobbie Larsen.

The Silent Worker, official publication for the National Association of the Deaf, devoted three full pages and an editorial of its December issue to the work done by Emma Sollberger Johnson in the Illinois School for the Deaf at Jacksonville. Several photographs show the splendid work Mrs. Johnson is doing with her girls' classes including pageants, swimming, archery and other activities. Mrs. Johnson has taught at the above school since her graduation from Normal College in 1918.

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Karl Heckrich, instructor of Concordia Gymnastic Society from 1896 to 1914, came all the way from Los Angeles to St. Louis to be honor guest at the 75th anniversary of the society January 14. His pupil and successor, Otto Eckl, arranged what everybody called the best program he ever had. The classes now number over 1000. Alumni to be seen at the affair included Louis Kittlaus, Sr., Louis Kittlaus, Jr., Albert Weiss, Dr. Rudolph Hofmeister, Lelia Gunther, Marie Hanss, Charlotte Roos, Ella Haeseler, Louise Nagel, Vera Ulbricht and Bill Gerber.

Grover W. Mueller, Director of Physical and Health Education in the Philadelphia schools, called and presided at a meeting of physical educators and physicians in December to prepare for widespread research by the American Heart Association of the project he and Dr. Joseph B. Wolffe began in 1946, namely, to determine the exact effect of strenuous athletics on the human heart. During these years, hundreds of national, professional, amateur, college and school athletes have been tested and cardiographed before and after contests. Indications thus far are: that strenuous competitions develop the heart normally in proportion to the development of other muscles, and that there seems to be no such thing as an "athletic heart" or athletic enlargement of the heart. Dr. Wolffe is head of the Wolffe Heart Clinic in Philadelphia.

APOLOGIES

When Margery Stocker reported for the November Alumni Bulletin that Faye Skerker had become Mrs. Goldstein the editor jumped to the conclusion that she had married Louis Goldstein. However, her husband is Samuel Goldstein, Louis' brother. But Louis was also married last year, to Helene Schulman.

Mrs. Stocker also reported the arrival of a son for Thomas and Estelle Marshall, and now corrects the news to say that it was a girl.

ALUMNI REUNION

A joint reunion breakfast of the Alumni of Indiana University and the Normal College has been planned for Friday morning, March 24, during the convention of the Midwest Physical Education Association in Chicago. Tickets will be on sale during the convention. Please help to make this reunion a success. It will be a good place to renew old friendships and also to show loyalty to the old and the new Alma Mater. Cost about FORFILE \$1.00.

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