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MAINTENANCE FUND

Campaign Started by President Seibel

The campaign for establishing a Normal College Maintenance Fund has been started. President George Seibel of the American Gymnastic Union sent a letter to all Alumni, in which he calls attention to the needs of the College and asks for contributions to a permanent fund which will secure the future of our College.

A half million dollars has been set as the ultimate goal. A good beginning was made by a contribution of \$5,000.00 by the Jahn Educational Fund and of a like sum by Turner Theodore Ahrens of Louisville. Now the appeal goes out to the Alumni, to the Turnvereins and individual Turners to contribute their share.

The reasons for this campaign have been stated a number of times in the Alumni Bulletin, but may be briefly reviewed. Since its reorganization as a College in 1907, the Normal College managed to get along with the income from tuition fees and the annual appropriations of the American Turnerbund. There seemed to be no need for a permanent endowment fund. But along came the depression and with it hard times for schools. The College did well during the first four years of the depression, but then it became necessary to appeal to Alumni and friends for contributions to a sustaining fund intended to last for three years: "everybody" expected that normal times would return within this period. Now, however, it is realized that our country is a long way from normal, prosperous times and that our Normal College will require support for some time to come. The matter was placed before the national convention of the American Turnerbund which then directed the National Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees of the College to find ways and means of making the College secure for the future. Instead of asking for donations to keep it going during the hard times, it was decided to create a permanent maintenance fund.

The question has been asked, what amount the Alumni are expected to donate. After carefully canvassing the situation, the committee is of the opinion that the Alumni should raise two-fifths of the total amount. Each graduate would, therefore, have to contribute \$200.00. That does not seem high; many schools throughout the country have asked and have received much larger sums from their Alumni for similar purposes.

As has been explained in Mr. Seibel's letter, the maintenance fund is to be established within five years. Payments of subscriptions may be made in one sum or distributed over five years in annual, semi-annual, quarterly or monthly installments. This makes it easy for anyone to contribute to this fund.

Every Alumnus and Alumna who is earning should be willing to sign a subscription for \$200.00 payable in ten semi-annual or twenty quarterly installments. To pay \$10.00 every three months for five years does not involve sacrifices.

Consider what you will get when this fund is established. Our Alma Mater will be made permanent and secure. With a fund of this size at its disposal, the College will be able to secure additional funds for buildings and additional equipment and for increasing the staff. It could take steps to be recognized not only by the State Boards of Education, but also by accrediting associations. Think what all that would mean to the Alumni. It would be of great advantage to every graduate in public schools and colleges.

We believe that the Alumni will not fail to make this campaign successful. Much enthusiasm has been shown during the campaign for a sustaining fund. Some donations were received during the past months although no effort was made since last spring to continue the drive. Buffalo Alumni, always in the front when the College asks for help, contributed a total of \$719.60 last year. Phi Delta Pi, Indianapolis chapter, held a party last fall which netted \$61.00. Turner Rudolph Koenig of Chicago donated \$100.00 during Home-Coming. burgh Turnvereins have contributed; \$125.00 came from the society in Mc-Keesport. This proves that the Normal College has many friends and supporters among the Alumni as well as Turners.

Turner President George Seibel points out in his letter that it is up to the Alumni to decide the future course of the Normal College of A. G. U. Shall wet let it die? Or shall we say: This is our College, my College, and it shall go on even after we are gone.

The opportunity is now here to make the Normal College permanent and to increase its usefulness and influence. Support this move; send your subscription at once.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Junior Class

The Junior Class is still kept busy. This time it's practice teaching that is on our minds. We consider ourselves fortunate in being able to go into the public schools of Indianapolis to do our practice teaching, and we are grateful to those who have made this opportunity possible.

The members of the class are surprised at the way time has flown. Here it is only about four months from graduation, and it seems that we have only started. We hope that we'll be able to see all our friends again at graduation. It's a sad feeling to think that we have seen our last Home-Coming as students, so we're hoping for one more big affair where there will be a happy crowd together. Come and see us once more!

C. A. F.

Sophomore Class

The regular bi-monthly meetings of the Sophomore class have been held at school with a fine attitude displayed by the class in regard to attendance.

The social committee has been directing its efforts toward planning a series of social activities to be held in the spring and is now prepared to offer its suggestions to the class for ratification. Definite arrangements as to what will take place will be made in the near future and a schedule posted.

Freshman Notes

With the first semester behind us, exams over, and reports in, the freshmen are now fully acclimated.

We are now a unit of the college, aiding in the general welfare and also functioning in our own right.

The main factor in the rapid adjustment of the class is the smallness of the student body and the friendliness with which the upperclassmen took us into the fold and made us feel comfortable. The spirit of camaraderie is fully appreciated by us.

The freshmen have jumped whole-heartedly into extra-curricular activities. Jean Seager and Fred Ploetz are representing the Hoosier A. C. in swimming and diving. Miss Seager has twice broken the pool record for 100-yard free style.

Henry Lohse, Otto Ryser and Paul Glenn are on the gymnastic team.

Carroll Gould, Chester Lesniak and Ploetz are playing on the quintet.

The class has also displayed a little talent in entertainment and members have done their part at the various affairs.

Phi Epsilon Kappa

In the past two months, Alpha Chapter of Phi Epsilon Kappa has been chiefly concerned with the questionnaire sent out by the Grand Council, as to certain revisions to be made in the Constitution. However, this work has finally been finished and plans are being made for the future.

The most important event is the impending election which is to be held on March 2, 1936. We will certainly be sorry to see our present officers retire. They have worked conscientiously and due to their untiring efforts, Phi Epsilon Kappa has been able to remain above water in spite of the many hindrances we have had. For the benefit of those who do not know, the present officers are: Bill Ruedlinger, president; Wes Benzee, vicepresident; Rudolph Memmel, secretary; Alvin Baer, treasurer. The incoming officers will have to do their utmost to carry on the excellent work these men have accomplished.

Perhaps the biggest job that Alpha Chapter is taking up is that of organizing a book in which will be the biographies of prominent Phi Epsilon Kappa men in Physical Education. Brothers Ruedlinger and Meyer have volunteered to do this work with the aid of the other brothers in the fraternity. It will be a big job, but certainly one worth while.

In Demember, Phi Epsilon Kappa sponsored a Kommers at school, to which all the men students were invited. Beer was drunk, sandwiches were eaten, songs were sung and a good time was had by all. A "Barnless Barn Dance" was held Feb. 7 and was a grand success.

HENRY O. MEYER, Hist. Ed.

Phi Delta Pi

The annual luncheon was held on November 30th at the Indianapolis Columbia Club and there were 30 alumni present. Five members of the Grand Council presided, and a very inspiring talk was given by our Grand President, Hazel Orr, on the present achievement and future aims of the sorority.

After the luncheon, the Alpha Chapter was inspected by the Grand Council and the books were audited and pronounced satisfactory.

Regular meetings have been held every week at the homes of the Alumni with both the pledges and actives attending. We are well on our way in the plans for rush.

Delta Psi Kappa

Recently Delta Psi Kappa has been busy making plans for this year's "rush," scheduled for February 21st. After "rush," we are looking forward to pinning some of the freshmen girls with our colors—the gold and blue. Returns from the sale of Christmas cards are still being received and greatly appreciated. We would like to take advantage of this opportunity to thank all Alpha Alumni for their cooperation in our Christmas card venture.

MARIE HEUSLER.

IN MEMORIAM

Several of the older Alumni have departed since the last issue of the Bulletin appeared. Franz Nuess died on November 26 in Kansas City at the age of 83 years. He was a graduate of the class of 1875. For a number of years he taught in Turnvereins in Kansas City and St. Joseph, but left the profession long ago to take up a business career. He remained interested in Physical Education, however, and was an esteemed member of the Kansas City Turnverein.

Richard Pertuch died on November 13 in Philadelphia, 80 years old. He came to America at an early age and attended the Normal School in Milwaukee 1877-78. His first position was at the Independent Turnverein in Indianapolis and then he taught for forty years the classes of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde. Pertuch was one of the most successful and well-liked Turnverein instructors and his classes gathered many prizes. He was greatly interested in photography and also was a talented painter.

Robert Reuter was born in Milwaukee in 1853, a son of one of the political refugees who came to this country after the German revolution of 1848. He took up wood-carving, but as he was an enthusiastic turner, he attended the Normal School 1878-79 and taught for many years in Turnvereins in Milwaukee. He died November 18 in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Thoma, in Cincinnati.

Although not a graduate of the Normal College, John Schmidlin deserves to be remembered by the Alumni. He was one of the men who came from Turnverein ranks and after teaching in Turnvereins for many years, accepted a public school position in Elizabeth. He died October 4.

In speaking of these old instructors

who have done so much for Physical Education in the United States, Ernest Thoma '06, said very appropriately:

"Inexorable, unrelenting, yet mercifully, Father Times strikes from the list, one by one, the names of those sturdy builders who, a half century and more ago, laid the foundation of Physical Education in America.

"These sturdy builders did more than merely demonstrate the value of physical exercise. They pointed the way to a more sane and joyous philosophy of living. They were the pioneers who broke the trail for what is proclaimed today 'education for a rich, full life.'

"We, the present generation, are so intensely busy either at enjoying the fruit of the labors of these trail blazers or at building ornate skyscrapers upon the foundation they laid, that we find little time to meditate on the past and what we owe it. But it behooves us to pause occasionally, stem as it were, the mad whirl of the present, and, reflecting on the past, regain a wholesome degree of humility and perchance receive some needed inspiration to carry on into the future."

And now we have to report the demise of a man who, although not a teacher of Physical Education, has done much and more than many others to further our cause in this country: Theodore Stempfel, who died December 24 after several weeks' illness. Born September 20, 1863, in Ulm, Germany, he came to America at the age of 20 years and settled in Indianapolis. Soon after his arrival he joined the Turnverein and was active in its affairs until his end. 1898, the headquarters of the American (the National Executive Turnerbund Committee) was placed with the Indianapolis Turnverein and remained there until 1923. During these 25 years, Theodore Stempfel was a member of the committee, as secretary, then as treasurer, and last as president. When the Normal College was moved to Indianapolis in 1907. Stempfel took an active part in reorganizing the school and was a member of its Board of Trustees until his death. Graduates of the early Indianapolis period of the College will recall his interesting lectures on the history of the American Turnerbund. He was elected as member of the Indianapolis School Board during the war years and although threatened in various ways, he energetically opposed the elimination of German language instruction from the public school's curriculum. It would take pages to tell of the many ways in which Theodore Stempfel has helped the march of Physical Education and of his labor in the interest of the Normal College. During the last Home-Coming, the Turnerbund's president, George Seibel, visited Stempfel and told him of the plans to establish a permanent maintenance fund for the College; as he left, Stempfel said "I shall die happy knowing that the College is to live on."

The Board of Trustees of the Normal College adopted the following:

Through the death of Theodore Stempfel, the Normal College has lost a most efficient officer and loyal supporter.

Since 1907 he has been a member of the Board of Trustees, and during a large part of that period, Treasurer of our institution. He was ever faithful in the performance of his official duties, but beyond that, his keen intellect, his knowledge of educational and cultural requirements, his high regard for the ethics of the teacher's profession, his long and unselfish participation in the affairs and purposes of the Turnerbund, his unswerving belief in the righteousness of Turner principles, his sound judgment and advice, made his services to the College immeasurably valuable.

The Normal College has sustained an

irreparable loss and the members of the Board of Trustees have lost a profound coworker and a staunch friend.

BETTER ENROLLMENT

It is none too early in the season for Alumni teaching in high schools and Turnvereins to speak to prospective students regarding the Normal College and the advantages it offers men and women who wish to prepare for the teaching of Physical and Health Education. Most high school students begin to think of College when they enter their last semester. It is then that a word from their "gym" teachers often helps to decide their choice of College.

The Normal College of the American Gymnastic Union is, as you know, affiliated with Indiana University. Upon satisfactory completion of the four-year course, the graduates receive the degree of Bachelor of Physical Education from the Normal College, and the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education from the State University. The courses are now so arranged that graduates can get a license to teach not only Physical Education, but also Physiology and Hygiene (or Health Education) and a third subject. English or History, and possibly German as a fourth subject. Normal College graduates, therefore, enjoy a decided advantage when applying for a position.

These points should be brought to the attention of prospective students. Alumni who wish to help the College and also themselves by increasing the number of Normal College graduates, should send to the College office the names and addresses of boys and girls interested in our profession. We must have better enrollment next year and are sure that all Alumni will do their share to increase the classes.

RECREATION AND HEALTH

One of the discussion groups at the recent National Recreation Congress held in Chicago dealt with the topic "The Part of Recreation in Maintaining Physical, Mental and Social Health." As summarizer for the group, W. K. Streit sends the following account of the meeting which will be of interest to our readers.

Dr. Carl Wilzbach, chairman, opened the meeting by referring briefly to present conditions which are making for increased leisure and the challenge presented to recreation. He contended that we are entering a new period of usefulness for recreation, and that the services are manifold. However, in our enthusiasm we must be careful of what we say regarding its values. Too often claims are made that are based merely on opinion and have no scientific background of supporting data.

All the discussion questions were touched during the course of the meeting but those receiving most attention dealt with preventing mental breakdowns, bolstering morale and co-recreational activities.

Specific instances were cited regarding the value of recreation in institutions for the defective, delinquents and dependents and the number of marvelous cures which have been effected. Music, hand crafts and simple games were mentioned as having great values.

There are 300,000 children each year appearing as juvenile delinquents in the United States and according to the U. S. biannual survey of education the per capita cost of these is \$518 per year. There are also 389,500 patients classified as insane in State Hospitals in the United States at the present time, and the per capita cost of these is \$627 per year. The solution of the problem of delinquency and insanity lies not in the cure, but in the prevention.

It is, therefore, a sound economic principle to spend more money for recreational purposes as a preventive measure and as a result we would not only save children who would otherwise be institutionalized at a tremendous cost, but public funds would be saved.

Recreation in its many diversified forms, will contribute more to the normal mental health of an individual than any other single factor. It will solve many of the emotional conflicts arising from the demands of society upon us. It will give the inferior and inadequate personality the opportunity to achieve recognition in proper channels instead of making it necessary for him to be a gangster later in life. It will protect the day-dreaming individual who is trying to escape from reality instead of making it necessary for him to be a case of Dementia Praecox in order to survive and spend the remaining days of his life in a State Hospital. It will decrease our suicide rate which is due largely to the fact that individuals have not learned to properly escape from their difficulty. Recreation is an outlet for frustrated hopes and shattered ideals. The art of keeping young and of being successful, in any prolonged strenuous activity, lies in the individual's ability to properly select a recreation program. and adhere to it closely throughout life.

With regard to bolstering morale, the point was made that everyone needs to be well thought of in the home and community and that he should be able to do something and do it a little bit better than someone else. With unemployment comes worry, indifference and loss of self-respect. The power of building self-respect through recreation was illustrated in the case of the Milwaukee cabinet maker who had hit the depths of despair and was brought back through the medium of building stage scenery for a community center play in

which his daughter was participating.

The movement for co-recreational activities has come about through a change in public opinion. Many of the former restrictions and inhibitions have been broken down and Puritanical ideas plus Blue Laws no longer prevail. The demand has come from the adolescents themselves. It is a healthy sign for as one speaker reiterated, "There would be fewer divorces in American life if more women understood the game of baseball."

The activities which seem to have the greatest co-recreational appeal at present are swimming, badminton, tennis, archery, dancing, golf, hiking and volley ball.

The 16 to 26 year group has been neglected in the past because of the segregation of recreational activities. It is now recognized that adolescence is the time for adjustment to the opposite sex. Corecreational activities at this age will have a wholesome effect on family life. In fact, it was emphasized that the sexes should be mixed at even an earlier age through participation of boys and girls in folk and social dancing.

This should not be construed to mean that boys should compete against girls in competitive games, nor does it mean that all games can be played. There should be a limited amount of this activity which is purely social recreation. The boys should not give up their own type of strenuous activity nor should the girls give up their womanly games. Our objectives must be kept clearly in mind.

A sensible association between the sexes is important because it is essential to a normal social life. It gives young people an opportunity to become acquainted with each other. Boys and girls must be taught how to play together. They must play today for tomorrow's living. There is no better way of de-

veloping a wholesome interest in those of the opposite sex than through sports and recreational activities.

It was agreed that longevity is largely a matter of heredity but that recreation can make life more livable.

Recreation alone will not reduce the American waistline but most overweight people can reduce by diet and exercise.

Recreations that are most helpful in conditioning the body are really an individual matter. Much depends upon a pleasurable reaction during participation.

Physical, mental and social health cannot be separated but can all be reached through a well-rounded program of recreation and leisure time activities. If recreation can be made more of a family affair, many of our present social difficulties will vanish.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The National Executive Committee of the American Turnerbund has elected two new members of the Board of Trustees of the Normal College. Mr. Max Strass will fill the unexpired term of Mr. Karl H. Heckrich, who resigned. Mr. Strass is head of the Physical Education department of Lane Technical High School in Chicago. The other new member is Mr. Richard A. Kurtz, who was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Theodore Stempfel. At the February meeting of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Kurtz was elected treasurer of the Normal College.

The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year,

When throats are raw, and noses run, and eyes are red and blear;

For 'tis the season of the cold, when all the world is chill,

And humankind neglects the ways to keep from being ill.

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CONVENTIONS

Physical Educators will have ample opportunity for meeting their colleagues this spring at the conventions of the American Physical Education Association.

First on the schedule is that of the Mid-West Association, to be held at Grand Rapids, Wednesday to Saturday, March 18-21. Four general sessions are on the program and sessions of the various sections such as camping, women's athletics, teacher training, public schools and city directors, dancing, research, recreation, therapeutic and men's athletics. Reunion luncheons are scheduled for Fri-Normal College Alumni of day noon.

the Mid-West should attend this convention.

Syracuse will be host to the Physical Educators of the Eastern District and a very interesting program is promised by Paul Krimmel, director of Physical Education in the Syracuse schools and convention manager. This meeting is also from Wednesday to Saturday, March 25-28, with headquarters at Hotel Syracuse. Among the many speakers mention might be made of Prof. Edward C. Lindeman, director of the Federal Government's program of Community Organization for Leisure; H. V. Kaltenborn, well-known traveler and lecturer, and Dr. Elbert Fretwell. Mr. Krimmel is arranging a demonstration by 1,000 high school boys and girls. We hope that the Alumni living in New York and other eastern states will go to Syracuse.

Then, on April 15-18, comes the convention of the national organization, the American Physical Education Association, in conjunction with the Central District's convention at St. Louis. outstanding event is the mass demonstration of Physical Education entitled "The Spirit of St. Louis" under the direction of Mr. A. E. Kindervater who is also in charge of the convention. demonstration committee is headed by Dr. Rudolph Hofmeister. Classes of Concordia and North St. Louis Turnvereins will take part; also classes of the public schools and various other organizations. Mr. George Wittich of Milwaukee, who was the first to introduce Physical Education in the St. Louis schools in 1890, will show with a class of children how he proceeded to start the department. Of course there will be many interesting addresses. Alumni are urged to attend this convention.

"Today's neglect means tomorrow's regret."

"Leisure should be used, not wasted."

SUCCESSFUL HOME-COMING

Home-Coming of 1935 showed the largest attendance of any ever held excepting 1934. One hundred and fifty-seven persons attended the Alumni Banquet. Such a fine showing proves that many graduates are loyal to the Normal College, and this was further proved by the manner in which Mr. Seibel's speech regarding the College was received.

George Seibel, president of the American Turnerbund, came to Indianapolis to explain to the Alumni the plan for establishing a permanent maintenance fund for the College. He spoke of the achievements of the College during its existence since 1866, the oldest school of its type in the country. He told the Alumni that the national convention of the Turnerbund had instructed him and his national executive committee to try in every way to establish a fund that would perpetuate the College. Then he explained that the success of a campaign to collect such a fund would to a great extent depend upon the reaction and help of the Alumni. A letter giving more details was to be sent to all Alumni (it has since been sent) and he hoped that all would contribute to the fund making the College's future secure.

Dr. Carl B. Sputh, president of the Normal College, also spoke at the banquet, and Mr. George Vonnegut, president of the Board of Trustees, presented diplomas to twenty graduates who completed the requirements for the degree during the summer. Mr. W. K. Streit, president of the Alumni Association, presided and led in the singing. He was elected for another term. Vice-President Walter Eberhardt was also re-elected, as was the treasurer, Curt Toll. The new secretary of the Alumni Association is Gladys Larsen, Chicago. Representatives of the Association on

the College Board of Trustees are Mr. Streit and Mr. Joseph Weissmueller.

A part of the Home-Coming program enjoyed by everyone, was the Open House at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Sputh on Thursday afternoon and evening. Although the reception was schedued from 3:00 to 6:00, it lasted considerably longer.

Class reunions were arranged for the classes of 1930, 1925, 1920, 1915, 1910 and 1890. Three of the latter, Mrs. A. E. Metzger, Mr. Hans Ballin and Dr. Robert Nohr celebrated their 45th anniversary of graduating from the Normal School. The classes of 1925 with sixteen members present; 1930 and 1915 were well represented. W. J. Jacobsen of Clinton, Iowa, and Harry Eickhoff of Detroit, joined Miss Hazel Orr and Miss Maud Suter for the reunion of the 1910 class.

Turnverein instructors as well as other graduates met on Friday and Saturday forenoon for a discussion of the exercises prescribed for the Turnfest in Cleveland and the Turnfest rules; the exercises were demonstrated by Normal College students. Mr. Streit read a paper on Turnfest publicity full of good suggestions.

A demonstration of Physical Education activities was given Friday afternoon by College students under the direction of Mrs. Clara Hester, Miss Mabel Loehr and Mr. Rudolph Schreiber, greatly enjoyed by the spectators. On Saturday forenoon, Miss Loehr and Mrs. Hester led a discussion on rhythmics while Mr. Schreiber and Mr. Alvin Romeiser conducted a similar round table discussion on self-testing activities.

The program included also volley ball games between Alumni and students, fraternity and sorority meetings, the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees and, of course, the Alumni-Student Dance.

The program of the three days thus was quite full, but every part of it was interesting. The good attendance and the fine spirit shown by the visitors mean a good deal of encouragement to the men in charge of the Normal College.

PERSONALS

Leah Braden Ketchum '24 and family moved into their own home in Chicago recently.

Margaret Wright Albenberg '24 and her family sailed on January 8 for a West Indies cruise.

The daughter of Carl Schulmeyer '14, Eloise, was married in November and is living in Cincinnati.

Dr. Frank Weege '95, his friends will be sorry to hear, suffered a broken back just before Christmas.

John Schwarz '13 has the hobby of conducting a "limbering up" class on the Florida sands each morning.

Homes Graves '29, who lives in Los Angeles, became a father on November 13 when a son arrived at his home.

Mabel Loehr '15 spent a semester at Indiana University and has completed the requirements for the Master's degree.

Albert Hensel '21 is the proud father of John Albert who arrived in November and is the second boy in the Hensel household.

Twenty-six Normal College graduates are now employed in the Indianapolis public schools, 14 in elementary and 12 in high schools.

Dr. A. A. Knoch '91 landed at his boyhood home in Riga, Latvia, on Christmas day for an extended visit with his sister and brother.

We are sorry to report the death, in September, of Mrs. Henry Thayer in Buffalo who as Miss Mildred Rich, attended the College in 1927-28.

Virginia Fox, '34 (Mrs. Wm. Klier), has a little boy who arrived January 5. Both will soon join Bill at Moline, Ill., where he is instructor of the Turnverein.

Finding the weather in Philadelphia too disagreeable, William A. Stecher '81 and Mrs. Stecher shortened their visit with their son, Dr. Armin Stecher '14, and have returned to Honolulu.

The 13-year-old daughter of Arch and Mildred McCartney, Mary Jane, is a junior life saver and the proud possessor of a medal for winning the women's free style swimming competition at Snow Island, Lake Huron, last summer.

William Klier '33 left Lawrence and has accepted the position of instructor of the Moline Turnverein which became vacant through the appointment of his brother, Herbert Klier, to the position of director of physical education in the Moline schools.

Eleanor Richwine '35, who assisted Elizabeth Workman Hatfield at Washington High School while Mabel Loehr attended Indiana University for one semester, has since been regularly appointed by the Indianapolis School Board at an elementary school.

The hall of the Manchester, N. H., Turnverein was recently destroyed by fire. Henry DeNies, '32, who was instructor there, has gone to the Lawrence, Mass., Turnverein to take Wm. Klier's place. The Manchester Turners are already planning a new hall.

Being Varsity Coach at the University of Nebraska is no easy job for W. Harold Browne '20. He has twenty basketball games on his schedule, including trips to Minneapolis, Laramie, Salt Lake City, Norman, Lawrence, Columbia, Denver and even San Francisco.

With remarkable diligence, "Bobby" Larsen '24 went over the address list of Alumni and reported no less than 29 new addresses, most of them of graduates who had been "lost" for some years. If more Alumni would take such interest in the Association, the office's address list would be 100% correct. Anyway, here is a vote of thanks for Bobby.

Friends of Dr. Carl B. Sputh and all Alumni will be glad to hear that he has fully recuperated from his illness. About the middle of December he was stricken with pneumonia and had to spend several weeks in the hospital and at home. After several weeks' vacationing in Florida, he feels as well as ever and is back in harness at his office as well as at the Normal College.

Concordia Turnverein of St. Louis combined its sixty-first anniversary and grand exhibition on January 11 with a testimonial for Otto Eckl '15 who has completed twenty years of service at this society. A dinner attended by over four hundred guests was given previous to the exhibition; A. E. Kindervater, Emil Rath and James E. Rogers praised the achievements of the honor guest.

Minna Pritzlaff Johnson '23 seems to have her hands full during the schoolyear. She has about 600 pupils during class periods at East High School in Buffalo and 115 after school in captain ball. Furthermore, she is chairman of high school women's sectional meetings for the state and teaches social dancing at the Buffalo State Teachers' College; and then she is working toward her Master's degree at Buffalo University.

The Kripner European tour has just been announced. Joe Kripner, '17, and Mrs. Kripner expect a good crowd this year because of the Olympic games. They will sail June 21, go to England, Belgium, France, down the Rhine to Switzerland, then to Bavaria, Austria and Czechoslovakia and reach Berlin August 1, where they will stay two weeks during the Olympics. The entire cost for the nine weeks' tour will be \$500.00.

William Kopp '86 sends a greeting to his class-mates through the Alumni Bulletin and reminds them of the fact that this year marks their fiftieth anniversary as pioneers and builders of Physical Education in America. As far as our records show, the following six members of that famous class of eighteen are among the living: Dr. Gustav Eckstein, Cincinnati; Carl Graner, Peoria; Hermann Hein, New Ulm; Louis Kirsinger, Paterson; William Kopp, Chicago, and Dr. Tobias Sigel, Detroit.

"Bobby" Larsen '24 accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Steichmann on a trip to the Lower Rio Grande valley and Monterey during the holiday vacation; Miss Dorothea Gally (sister of Mrs. Lillie Rice '15) was the fourth member of the party. The visit in Mexico was greatly enjoyed, especially a Mexican dinner party at Matamoras. However, Mr. Steichmann says that he will never again take these ladies on a Mexican trip unless they promise to spend not more than one hour in each of the curio stores.

The Massachusetts Parent-Teacher Association passed the following resolution at its recent twenty-sixth annual convention: "We believe that the continued success of our democratic form of government depends upon our children learning to think independently. To learn this, it is essential that the teachers of our schools present to the children, in a way that is fair and unemotional, all sides of controversial questions that are within the mental grasp of the group being taught.

"We affirm our faith in a democratic form of government for the United States of America and express our disapproval of such legislation as the Teachers' Oath Bill, which we believe points toward fascism." ALUMNI BULLETIN, 415 E. MICHIGAN ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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TEN PERTINENT QUESTIONS IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

(This is a testing time for all subjects in the curriculum. There are new needs making new demands. We must change education for an ever-changing civilization.)

- 1. Because of our rapid changing civilization, what are the new needs in physical education?
- 2. What does the educational administrator expect of the physical educator?
- 3. How can the physical education program contribute concretely to the seven aims of general education?
- 4. What contribution can physical education make to the new leisure? (There is a steady decrease in the hours of work and a rapid increase in the hours of free time. The 35-hour work week is soon here. There are 168 hours in the week.)
- 5. What are the six outstanding factors that make for a successful modern physical education program?
- 6. How can we get results and measure our programs?
- 7. How can we best put education into athletics and athletics into education?
- 8. What are the things that hinder progress in our profession and what are we doing to overcome them?

- 9. Are we doing everything possible to accomplish the greatest good to the greatest number—to help and not to hurt our boys and girls—to adapt a program to every boy and girl and to get every boy and girl into a program suited to his needs?
- 10. How can we get those standards and requirements necessary for the proper administration of an effective physical education curriculum in general education?

(THE DISCOBOLUS.)

PATENT MEDICINES

The wealth of the Indies has been thrown away in search of the secret of health because the majority of the population have believed that a man who got well after taking a remedy or using a charm, got well because of the remedy or charm.

Patent medicines are mostly relied upon by persons uneducated scientifically, and in those very diseases where their use is most dangerous and likely to result in a costly or fatal delay of proper treatment, for example, tuberculosis, cancer, liver and kidney troubles, asthma, epilepsy, and venereal diseases. There is no patent medicine which will cure any of these diseases, or cure or permanently relieve even so prevalent and familiar a condition as chronic constipation. Many patent medicines will make worse the condition they are expected to cure.