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THE 1919 SUMMER SESSION.

This year's summer session of the Normal College will be held from July 7th until August 2nd. A large attendance may be expected, judging from inquiries already received. Many of the men will return to civil life by that time and will be glad of the opportunity to "freshen up" before going into the work again.

Some new and interesting subjects are offered this year. Public speaking, frequently asked for by students, is on the program. Mass competitive activities which are being taken up by wide-awake physical educators, will be discussed by Mr. Stecher. Massage, also sometimes demanded by students, is another new subject this year. A special class in practice teaching to be followed by round table discussions should prove an interesting feature. Other subjects to be taught this year are: Educational gymnastics, aesthetic and classic dancing, folk dancing, ballroom dancing, military training, athletics, basketball, descriptive anatomy, applied anatomy, civic hygiene, construction and equipment of gymnasium, playground, track and field. The session will again consist of three parallel courses.

The purpose of the course in public speaking, briefly stated, is to train men and women to stand on their feet and talk—talk clearly, forcibly and earnestly; to train them away from "stage fright"; to give them self confidence; in short, to make it possible for men and women when called upon to present papers, make reports, discuss propositions or respond to questions pertaining

to physical education, to rise and do the thing decently. At the very beginning of the course, the student is led to make an examination of his own mind to find out something about his power of thinking—what his mental habits are, whether he thinks logically or illogically, clearly or carelessly. He is then taught just how to go about to strengthen his mental powers—how to think of something to say, how to organize his thought logically, and how to say it so that intelligent people can understand it. At the close of each speech, the instructor reviews the student's work, and points out specifically what is needed for further improvement. The spirit of the class room is that of encouragement and stimulation, for all alike are there to learn. Professor Edgar Frazier, who will have charge of this course, has for many years conducted courses in public speaking at Indiana University.

The practical teaching course is an innovation introduced this year. Those who are taking the third year work, will be asked to teach lessons in the different branches of physical education, using the classmates as pupils. The instruction will be followed by a round table discussion in which all will take part. The advice coming from men of experience, like Mr. Stecher, Mr. Rath and others, who will always be present, will make the course profitable and interesting to all participants. There will be no charge for this course. It will give graduates a chance to observe and learn from each other, and members of the other classes opportunities for learning.

The course in mass competitive activities will make clear to the students the importance of the application of various activities, individual, team and class competition. Considerable stress is being placed upon this type of work in all parts of the country, and it is essential for each teacher of physical training to know the *why* and *wherefore* in the selection of his activities and in the administration of them. The fact that Mr. Stecher is going to give the course, is sufficient guarantee that it will be interesting.

Mr. Hugo Fischer will have charge of the massage. He has for many years conducted an institution for corrective and medical gymnastics, and is by virtue of his long experience well qualified to teach this subject. It will be one semester hour course and opportunities for practical work will be given.

Mr. Geo. F. Miller, of the class of 1912, is to have charge of athletics and basketball. He has completed the course in the school of coaches offered by the University of Illinois, and also attended the Harvard University Summer School of Physical Education, specializing in games and athletics. He has had an opportunity to study and compare both the eastern and western styles of play and has selected the best from both. He ought to be able to offer our Alumni sufficient new ideas to make attendance worth while.

Mr. Rudolph Hofmeister will assist in aesthetic dancing and educational gymnastics, taking the place of Mr. Heckrich, who is going to spend his vacation out west. Mr. Hofmeister is of the class of 1911 and has been connected with the Tower Grove Gymnastic Society since his graduation. He was a student of Chalif, Vestoff, and Mascagni, and will select the most desirable and useful technique from those masters which

may be applied in physical education work. The broad experience given him in the Tower Grove Gymnastic Society will make him qualified to handle the branches of educational gymnastics which will be assigned to him.

ALUMNI MEETING AT CHICAGO.

During the convention of the American Physical Education Association at Chicago, April 9 to 12, an impromptu meeting of the Normal College Alumni will be arranged. The time and place have not been fixed, but will be decided on after the beginning of the convention. Normal College Alumni are requested to inquire about it after they get to Chicago.

The old mutual benefit organization, the "Turnlehrerschaft," will also meet during the convention, probably some evening at the hall of the Turngemeinde on North Clark street.

NEW FOLK DANCES.

Mr. Emil Rath is re-compiling our edition of folk dances, which is to be more extensive than the previous one. The dances will be published in loose leaf form, the music printed on one side of the sheet, and the description and explanation on the other.

We are anxious to have this publication meet all requirements, and therefore we are asking for help from the Alumni. If there are any suggestions as to the choice of material, the manner of publication, or any helpful hint that anyone will offer, we will be only too glad to receive it. The edition will appear before the end of the school year, and we ask for your prompt co-operation.

INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATORS.

The January meeting of the Indiana Association of Physical Educators held in the rooms of the Normal College on Saturday, January 25th, proved to be one of the most interesting ever held by the young organization. Of the 40 members, 25 were present.

J. Arch Stevens of Muncie gave a helpful talk on basketball coaching which was followed by a discussion bringing out these suggestions: shortening of the basketball season; playing quarters instead of halves; preventing the bad physiological effects of the game.

Mr. Rath reported on the meetings in New York during Christmas week which he attended: the Athletic Research Association, the Inter-Collegiate Association, the Society of College Directors of Physical Education, and the new organization of normal schools of physical education. His report was highly interesting. The meeting decided to have a committee present resolutions in favor of the bill for compulsory physical education in public schools to the legislature.

The practical work of the day consisted of a game of end ball taught by Mrs. Walter Pickett, and a game of circle run and a set of boxing exercises taught by Mr. Warne.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 26th, at 2:30 p. m., in the lecture room and gymnasium of the Normal College.

The association at this meeting decided to join the American Physical Education Association and to urge every member to attend the convention of this organization to be held in Chicago, April 9 to 12; the meetings will take place in the Congress Hotel.

PHYSICAL DIRECTORS WANTED FOR THE FRENCH ARMY.

The following call is published here so as to inform the Alumni of the opportunities offered:

Fourteen men to take charge of the physical program in the Military Normal Training Schools of France. These men should have teaching ability in order to train others to become physical directors. In addition to general athletics a knowledge of American gymnasium practice is advantageous. These men must have a good working knowledge of French.

Twenty Camp Physical Instructors. These should be younger men who have recently been athletes in college and are still able to take active part in promoting games. Knowledge of French is necessary, but less is needed than in Group 1.

Ten men as Regional Physical Directors having charge of all the Camp Physical Directors in one "Region" of the Foyers du Soldat. These men should be familiar with all kinds of mass games, both formal and informal. They should have demonstrated ability as organizers and promoters of athletics. Exceptional men could be used for this work who have not much knowledge of French, as their contacts are primarily with the American Camp Directors.

If any very promising candidates are found who have no knowledge of either French or Italian, they may be used in Italy, as there is a demand for at least thirty physical directors there. If they know Italian so much the better.

NATIONAL WAR WORK COUNCIL

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DELTA PSI KAPPA.

Delta Psi Kappa enjoyed a delightful Christmas, even those girls doomed to stay at Trenton Hall, and returned to school, full of enthusiasm for the new year's work.

One of the first things accomplished was the initiation of Goldie Howard of Greensburg, Indiana. The initiation was held at the home of Mrs. Widner through the invitation of Miss Beatrice Hoelscher.

Alpha chapter is proud to announce the acceptance of Dr. and Mrs. Carl B. Sputh as patron and patroness of the fraternity. We are glad of their kind help and co-operation.

One of the innovations of this year is a monthly entertainment given by Delta Psi Kappas to their patrons, patronesses, town alumnae and friends. The first one was held in the parlors of the Athenaeum Saturday afternoon, February 8th, from three till five o'clock. The program consisted of a stringed instrument trio played by the Misses Gladys Stetson, Constance Arbaugh and Lillian Neubarth; a reading by Miss E. Jo Workman; several vocal solos by Miss Dorothy Smith, and a very interesting talk by Dr. James L. Zink, about his experiences in orthopedic work. The program was concluded by several numbers given by the Psi Kap Ukelele orchestra. (Yes, we really have an orchestra of ukeleles, banjo ukes, a mandolin and violin. Miss Jo Workman is manager, while Miss Lillian Neubarth directs. We actually practice once a week, and manage to consume peanuts and candy.) After the entertainment, guests and members adjourned to the palm room for refreshments. We are eagerly looking forward to our second entertainment.

As for plans for the future, we are looking forward to spring vacation,

when Psi Kaps who do not go home, will spend four delightful days at "Idlewild" on White River.

The next number of "The Foil" is due soon, and promises to be a good one. Be sure and get your subscription fees and your correct addresses in to the editor.

We are anxious to hear from and see all alumnae. Good luck to you and best wishes from Alpha.

L. T. N.

INDIANA "PSI KAP" ALUMNI.

Ever shall we live to uphold the standard of this our noble sorority. We are an organization of Indiana Alumni, endeavoring to be a credit to Delta Psi Kappa, and eager to strengthen and support its uplifting influence throughout our chosen profession. Although this branch is in its infancy, we have taken progressive steps toward growth and activities. Our aim is to cherish the social atmosphere and to keep in closer touch with our dear "Psi Kap" sisters, who in due time will be scattered throughout the states. May these few words bring inspiration and encouragement to other alumni sisters to found alumni chapters.

A time limit for taking in alumni not already members of Delta Psi Kappa, has been decided upon. Open bids to alumni (formerly members of Sigma Phi) will be extended to and closed at the end of June camping week.

LILLIE C. GALLY.

OUR FRIDAY ENTERTAINMENT.

Many new things have been given to us this year—a nearly manless school; a "flu" epidemic; and now a weekly entertainment furnished by the student body. At last a good attempt has been made.

Senior and junior committees were appointed to take charge of the program which was given Friday afternoon, February 14th. Miss Mabel Loehr and Miss Pearl Luce composed the junior committee, while Miss Ethel Emrich and Miss Lillian Neubarth made up the senior committee.

The "head-liner" was a senior-junior basketball game, which proved to be the most exciting game ever played in the old "gym." Senior rooters lined one end of the gymnasium, while the freshmen lined the other. It was a close, exciting game, which finally ended in victory for the seniors, the score being 21 to 18.

This was followed by "Ritka," danced by the senior class and an exhibition on the rings by Miss Anna Hoesterey.

The next number was a clever burlesque on physical education, given by a few members of the freshmen class. This was greatly appreciated by all, as was manifested by the hearty laughter and applause. Father Jahn's spirit still lives in his great-granddaughter, Miss Margaret Jahn, for it was she who thought up a new and entirely original system of gymnastics.

The program closed with a solo dance by Miss Ethel Emrich.

The afternoon was greatly enjoyed by all, and we are looking forward to more Friday afternoon programs.

LILLIAN T. NEUBARTH, '19.

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Ethel Emrich, Business Manager.

Anna Hoesterey, Editor.

BASKETBALL.

Girls' basketball team! Well, I should say so! The boys were gone, so the girls had to keep up the athletic record of the school. Right after Christmas we started things rolling by having a big mass meeting. We elected the school captain, C. Arbaugh; the school manager, A. Vorndran; the senior captain, C. Arbaugh; the senior manager, E. Albright; the junior captain, C. Schweizer, and the junior manager, M. Rose.

We started the season by winning a game from Shortridge High School by a score of 30 to 18. The following Saturday night the team from Mrs. Blaker's Teachers' College met us on our floor. We defeated them to the tune of 14 to 4. They didn't seem to find the baskets. A return game was scheduled for Saturday, February 15th, at Blaker's, but they forfeited the game. Valentine's day, the juniors and seniors met in a very fast and close game. The seniors came out on top by a score of 15 to 12. It was only in the last three minutes, however, that the seniors made their winning baskets. Passing featured in the game and the rooters and spectators nearly went wild with excitement. It is thought to have been one of the fastest girls' games ever staged in Indianapolis. February 22nd the college team again trimmed Shortridge High by a score of 21 to 11. The game was very slow and unexciting. The college team fell far short of their usual superior passing game. There are two or three more games on our schedule for this year and we all hope that they will result as successfully as the previous ones.

Now—aren't we keeping our record up?

C. ARBAUGH.

FRESHMAN BASKET BALL.

Whites—		—Blues	
Capt. Schweizer	G	Capt. Powell	
Smith	G	Rice	
Jahn	F	Matthews	
Cooke	F	Kemp	
Mead	C	Hoelscher	
Krueger	C	Loehr	
Won 7; lost 1.		Won 1; lost 7.	
Reds—		—Blacks	
Capt. Rose	G	Capt. Nicke	
Kern	G	Fleck	
Artman	F	Roberts	
Olson	F	Luce	
Tag	C	Workman	
Howard	C	_____	
Seiler	C	_____	
Won 5; lost 3.		Won 3; lost 5.	

The freshmen started their intra-class games at the beginning of December. Four teams were chosen by Captains Schweizer, Powell, Rose and Nicke.

At first the teams seemed evenly matched. However, Schweizer got her team together after the first game (which was its only defeat) and brought it up in the seven following games, with the largest score. There was quite a fight for second place between the Reds and Blacks. Captain Rose had a bit of luck and the Reds have second place, and the Blacks third. The Blue team came in at the last, but it is the only team that succeeded in defeating the champions.

All the games were exciting and were enjoyed by the freshmen, but not by the seniors, who disliked spending an hour of their Wednesday afternoons to see that no one fell over the lines during the freshman games.

MABEL LOEHR, '20.

John Feller, '16, having received an honorable discharge from the army, is back at his old post, the Turnverein of Rochester, N. Y.

PHI DELTA PI.

Greetings, Alumni!

Hear ye the news which your sorores in academicae have to offer! We have made a large stride since the last Bulletin, and you will all soon agree to that statement.

In the early part of January, our second Alumni Chapter was formed in Philadelphia, Penn. We also hear from Philadelphia, that the active chapter has a suite of sorority rooms, beautifully furnished for meetings and any social affairs. It is the beginning of our first chapter house.

On January 18th, the new members entertained the seniors with a theater party at the Murat, followed by refreshments and dancing at the Athenaeum. We surely enjoyed that evening.

January 24th was another red letter, or, more specifically speaking, a purple and gold day for "Phi Delt." Our Delta chapter was installed at the American College of Physical Education at Chicago. Eighteen delightful and enthusiastic members were initiated. The ceremony was conducted by Nelda Rehr of the Gamma chapter, who is also our grand investigator. We were surely a happy family of "Phi Deltas" that day.

The meeting of the Indiana Association of Physical Educators on January 25th, brought Gertrude Duering, '18, to Indianapolis. It seemed mighty good to see "Trude" again.

On February 14th, "Phi Delt" received a wonderful valentine from Gertrude Jahn, in the shape of a five pound box of Martha Washingtons. That valentine certainly did appeal to all who saw and partook of it.

Frieda Fleck has recently become a member of Phi Delta Pi. The solemn initiation took place at the Athenaeum and was followed by a dinner party at English's.

Hazel Orr, president of the Cincinnati Alumni chapter, has been in Indianapolis for several weeks owing to the illness of her mother. She has been with us at several meetings, including Frieda's initiation.

Ruth Evelyn Mason, '18, spent part of the week of March 2nd with us. We were indeed glad to see our old pal and one who has done so much for Phi Delta Pi.

We wish to rectify a mistake that occurred in the last Bulletin. The name of Gertrude Nicke, of Syracuse, N. Y., was omitted accidentally in the list of new members.

Alumni, this is but a brief summary of our activities of the past two months. Wait but a short time and you will find something forthcoming that will prove to be of great interest.

We close with best wishes to "Phi Delta" Alumni.

EDNA A. GOEDDE.

PERSONALS.

Ralph Marx and "Jerry" Stokes, both of '18, celebrated "Peace Day" by trying to put one over on their friends. Truth will out though, and we find they are now Mr. and Mrs. Marx since that horn-tooting, whistle-shrieking day. Mr. and Mrs. Marx are now located at Davenport, Iowa.

Alvin Romeiser, '15, is teaching in the Central High School of St. Paul, Minn.

Authentic reports tell us that the closest Dick Strohmer, '15, ever got to a wound, was by being laid up with jaundice. He is, by the way, a Master Engineer, and has received a commission.

Doris Bloomer, '18, on her way home from Camp McPherson, where she has been nursing, spent her stop-over in Indianapolis at the college. She is to be married in June to Mr. John Albert Deal, of Oden, Ind.

Mr. Fred Foertsch, '11, is now located at the Schenley High School of Pittsburgh, Pa.

We are sorry to announce the death of Harriet Schrader's father.

Leila Guenther, '16, as chairman of the program committee, reports the Parent-Teachers' entertainment in one of her schools an enjoyable success.

Out of one of the Davenport, Iowa, papers recently a clipping came to us. "Turners' Physical Instructor and Popular Young Lady Wed in March," was the title. The principal in the case being no less a person than Professor Fritz P. Jacobi, '17, and the close second being Miss Edna Schroeder, a talented and popular young lady of Davenport, who has been active in gymnastic work and aesthetic dancing, having taken a first prize at the recent Turners' Masquerade, representing "The Girl in the Moon". Let's all give the fine looking young couple three cheers!!!

One of the items in a newspaper recently, runs like this: "As a somersault kid, Corp. Hoelscher is a bear. Last week he almost became a candidate for reconstruction work." So we see that our "Ernie" is certainly getting some attention.

Andrew Thoma, '17, stopped in Indianapolis on his way to Fort Sheridan, Illinois, from Camp Taylor, Kentucky. Ernest Thoma, '06, we are glad to report, is well on the way to recovery from the serious condition in which the influenza left him.

Alice Morrow, '17, teaching in Shelbyville, suffered the harmful mishap of a broken nose recently.

"Tess" Pfeiffer, '15, is wearing a diamond ring presented by her classmate, Chas. A. Wuehrmann. A number of Alumni were present at a little party in Chicago at which the engagement was announced.

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A HURRY UP CALL.

The class '19 is getting out an Annual. Considering that there are no boys in the class and other untoward concomitant circumstances this brave little class of women has encountered, we think everyone should resolve now and at once to send in their subscription for this unusual production. It is bound to be different from those that have gone before! The resolution of the girls not to have a break in the publication of the Annual, is certainly worthy of financial backing.

Furthermore, the editor has been asked to get up a page devoted to the Alumni. It is not too late now to ask for suggestions as to what would be appropriate. So supposing you people who have an idea as to what you should like to see on such a page, do sit down and write it, and the one whose suggestion is accepted shall get his subscription to the "Bulletin" free next year. Nothing like making a game out of a job like that!

You people must be lazy correspondents or something. We certainly expected to get word from some of you about that "summer resort" scheme of Harriet Mead Nohr's. We had one reply to it, however, and that was so full of pep, vim and vigor, that it

made up for all of your seeming indifference.

To sum up—don't stop with the thought or the think, or whatever the Deacon calls it; don't stop till you have translated the precious sensation into a "do" or a "did".

SENIORS' EXHIBITIONS.

The seniors of the Normal College assisted the Boy Scouts of Indianapolis in their meet at Tomlinson Hall by giving an exhibition. It consisted of folk dances, free exercises, tactics and an aesthetic dance, directed by Mr. Rath. The evening was enjoyed by the students as well as the Boy Scouts.

At the annual celebration of the South Side Turnverein the seniors were asked to give an exhibition. This consisted of setting up exercises and waltz caprice.

T. C.?

Would the Alumni care to know what T. C. is? Don't ask the students; they will laugh and call it a joke. You know, however, "where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." 'Tis a very substantial organization with members as follows:

Mildred Jost, Grand President.
Martha Gault, President.
Hilda Deibig, Vice-President.
Eunice Albright, Treasurer.
Anna Hoesterey, Secretary.

That is the extent of membership at present, but bide your time and don't be too curious. "Curiosity killed a cat."

George Washington's birthday was celebrated as usual by the folks at home here, in Indianapolis. Many Alumni will remember the German House banquet followed by a dance. Well, the same custom still reigns. Of the speakers for the occasion this year, Mr. Carl Lieber

won the warmest applause. The Alumni among the guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Koster, Dr. Karl Sputh, Mr. Harry Wieck, Miss Mildred Jost, Mrs. Kate Steichmann and Mr. Emil Rath.

to see the graduation this year, for I feel that many of the graduates will be present.

Yours fraternally,
ARTHUR K. FAULSTICH.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Enclosed find one dollar for my dues to the Alumni Association. It was good of you to remind me of the dues, for I do want the Bulletin. I read every word of it. It is a fine way to keep in touch with old friends.

Sincerely,

NELLIE B. HAVENS, '12.

Milwaukee, Wis.

Enclosed please find my check for \$1.00, for dues to the Alumni Association. I enjoy reading the Alumni Bulletin very much. It is certainly interesting to read about one's old friends.

Very sincerely yours,

A. G. HERRMANN, '11.

St. Paul, Minn.

Niederanven, Luxemburg.

Have received the January Alumni Bulletin, also the letter with the addresses of the colleagues in the service.

On reading over the Alumni, I saw that Sergt. Reichelt was in the drive of September 26th. His division was on our left as we were on Dead Man's Hill and from there made our hop over the top. That same morning I was wounded, and if it hadn't been for my presence of mind I would have had the honor of getting a wooden cross over my grave.

My wound is in good shape again, but I was a bit afraid of losing my right arm.

Please count me in on the summer course, as we are to be home in May, and the first opportunity I have I will be down to see you. I surely would like

"Peace Institute", Raleigh, N. C.

My Dear Mr. Rath: I have wanted so often to write you about my work this year and have just kept putting it off—until now. The time has just flown. It seems but the other day that we were graduating. I'm simply crazy about the work here, and am so interested in being in a Girls' School. "Peace" is a Junior College of about 200 girls, from 15 to 22 years old. I have a nice "gym" and a little office for physical examination and that sort of thing. Then we have a big athletic field, fitted for outdoor gymnastic and track and field work, and a basketball court where we also play center ball a great deal, and volley ball courts and a number of tennis courts. My days are surely full—in the morning we either have short military drill or setting up exercises before breakfast (always outdoors), or a short walk just after breakfast. Then classes begin at 8:45. Besides my gymnasium classes I have two classes for beginners in ball room dancing, and one for advanced pupils in aesthetic dancing. We've had a number of recitals and entertainments with the class in which "Sleepy Time" and "Frolic of the Brownies" and "Saibara" and "Pompador" and many others shined. I have a great deal of work of that kind to do—getting up parties and teaching minuets and Virginia Reels, etc. Also teach physiology and hygiene and first aid. I'm getting along fine with the classes, and thoroughly enjoy it. School is over at 4 o'clock, but that's when we have hikes and basketball games and all sorts of athletics. We've had one Field Day—

on Thanksgiving—and we're to have another on May Day, along with the Tennis Tournament and May Pole Dance and all that. We're only allowed to play a few schools in basketball. The games are now scheduled and are to start next week. We divided the Athletic Association into two sides—Greens and Whites, and in all games and contests they play against each other—each side trying to win the silver loving cup that is to be awarded in June. Everything counts so many points and at the end the side averaging the most points gets the cup, and individuals winning so many points in gymnastics and games and athletics and hiking, win P I's. Two medals are also to be awarded in tennis. I've enjoyed so thoroughly working with the girls here. There are so many good athletes and several are planning now to go to Indianapolis to school. I'm looking forward very much to being back at school for Commencement and then for the Camp at Idle Wild. We aren't gone long before we all would love to be back in school again, no matter how good it seems to be working. Give my best regards to all.

Very sincerely,
ELINOR CORNICK, '18.

I haven't as much to do today as usual so I'm indulging in a grand letter-writing spree. I have these spells every once in a while.

The Bulletin came the other day and Louis and I both pounced on it. It was the first one we had seen since last spring and we almost had a free-for-all to see who would read it first. However, I had to retire to the kitchen to prepare food for the conqueror.

I certainly was surprised at some of the items in there. I didn't know "Tolly" Wilson was married.

Last night I sent Mr. Toll a check for the Bulletin. I didn't even know

that was due. You see I've been down here in the woods so long, everything else has gotten away from me.

I certainly have enjoyed it though, and if it weren't for the mud I wouldn't mind remaining. Our place is only about a five-minute walk across the field from camp. We live by their bugle calls, have a band concert every day, sit on the porch and watch them drill or hear them sing. It's almost like a movie, especially when they establish themselves in our front yard to fight their battles.

One thing I'll miss, I know. I have been riding a lot—whenever the weather permitted—and there's nothing like it! I only wish they had had a course in riding at school so that I might have begun sooner.

Perhaps in a week or ten days we'll both be back in Indianapolis. They are demobilizing this division. Practically all the men have already been discharged. As soon as possible, Louis is going to try for a leave before they send him to another camp. He intends to remain in the service so I suppose I'll be a wanderer for the rest of my life.

Sincerely,
NORMA OSTERMEYER KOSTER, '16.
Camp Beauregard, La.

Enclosed you will find \$1 for the payment due the Alumni Bulletin. My son, Arthur Reisner, was called into service in June, 1918, and I presume he forgot to attend to this.

He left for France September 2nd with the 333rd Regiment, Medical Department. He is now with the 78th Division, 309th Field Artillery, Medical Department.

He spent a very pleasant Christmas helping distribute candy and toys to the children of a village called Montijoy. I am sure he will be glad to get home,

and sends best New Year's wishes to all his friends, not forgetting Dean Rath, and all other friends at the Normal College.

Sincerely,
MRS. REISNER,
for
ARTHUR REISNER, '17.

Muelheim, Germany,
Co. I, 56th Pioneer Infantry,
Army of Occupation.

Amused "muchly" at Bill Reichelt's article in the Bulletin. Had much the same experience.

Missed the hike up here, being at school at the time, but do not regret it. Haven't seen any of our boys over here as yet. Would like to get them together for a "Kommers" as the facilities are fine.

Regards,
CORP. A. L. MASLEY, '18.
U. S. Army.

Dear Mr. Rath:

What prompted me to write was the arrival a few days ago of the "Bulletin." I was awfully glad to read about some of my old colleagues and that many are army officers.

As you know, I was in the aviation service and after being sent to the Cornell University ground school for three months, was graduated and sent to the flying field at Fort Worth, Texas. Here I have been flying daily up to my discharge, when I was near to a commission in the air service. While home on a ten-day furlough, I visited the Detroit Acceptance Park and made a flight over Detroit and Canada, even over my own home—it does look different from the air. While in Texas I saw many accidents resulting in deaths and injuries, but was fortunate in merely being a witness, although I did make several rough landings.

At present I am back at Nordstrum High, but will give way to Strohmer as soon as he returns next month and expect to be sent over to the big new \$1,000,000 Cass Technical High here. I will work with Mr. Katz there.

Was awfully glad to get the Bulletin and hear from the other folks. With best regards to all.

Fraternally yours,
LOUIS E. THIERRY, '15.
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Editor:

Indeed I was only too glad to be reminded about dues. I've enjoyed both numbers of the Bulletin immensely. There were several people I wanted to find and I found them. It is a great means of keeping in touch with school. Especially we, who have just graduated, would like to be back again.

It is gratifying to me this winter to be with girls who appreciate the value of "exercises." A number of my friends are enthusiastic and I believe there must be many like them.

I shall look forward to the next issue with great pleasure—both because I have paid my dues and because it is very interesting.

Yours sincerely,
INEZ LEMMON, '18.
Fairfield, Iowa.

Cincinnati, Ohio.

My Dear Mr. Toll:

Enclosed find one dollar for dues and subscription to the Bulletin. I enjoy reading the Bulletin, and following the work of other colleagues and friends in the work, although I have been out of it for almost twelve years.

In your last issue you asked after Mr. Wm. Taube. I am glad to say he is comfortably located at Loxly, Ala.,

and doing very well, in raising cattle and in farming.

Sincerely,

META RIEKER SCHUMACHER, '03.

Philadelphia, Pa.

My Dear Mr. Toll:

Am back from the army and once more in the ranks of teachers of physical training. About the first welcome I had back into the profession was the copy of the Bulletin you sent me.

I am working under Mr. Stecher at the Southern High School with one of our Normal College graduates, Grover Wm. Mueller, '13.

I learned a lot about this and the other systems while in the army. The French Hebert; the British with its outstanding feature being discipline, and the "Koehler" system.

I didn't get to go across, but fought in a few battles of "Stand-to" and "flu," etc., in camps on this side; somehow always mixed up with physical training.

Sincerely yours,

AUGUST H. PRITZLAFF, '17.

Paris Island, S. C.

Enclosed one dollar for my dues. The Alumni Bulletin was sent to me from home and I certainly enjoyed reading it. It reminded me of the days I spent at college.

I am in the service, in the United States Marine Corps, and at present I am stationed at Paris Island, S. C. It is a fine, healthy life, and does a fellow a whole lot of good. Albert Landwehr, '17, is also stationed on the island. It is terribly warm down here, the temperature at present being 90 degrees. We go in swimming almost every day. The only fault I find with this place is that it is so far from civilization. All one can see here are marines and colored people. They have mosquitoes here

that are almost as large as elephants and their sting is like the kick of a mule.

Continue sending my Bulletin to my home as they will forward it to me, because I do not know how long we will stay here.

Truly yours,

PRIVATE NELSON WALKE.
Co. No. 439, Bat. B., U. S. M. C.

Leimbach, Germany,

47th Inf., 4th Div.,

Third Army of Occupation.

My Dear Friends:

Your letter of November 13, 1918, just came. Seems like getting mail from another world. We get so little mail that we read our letters to all our pals so that all of us know what is going on in the good old U. S. A.

You are right when you remark that I won out in the life lottery when odds were against winning. Now that it is almost over, I am ready to go home as soon as the government can spare me.

There are several Indianapolis men who are Ft. Harrison Reserve Corps men that just joined us as replacements about the day the armistice went into effect. You see our casualties in officers were so high that we had to draw on the states for help. I never regret my turning down the reserve corps first lieutenantancy and preferring my second lieutenantancy in the regular army, for it enabled me to get over here and get into one of the best fighting regiments and divisions in the world. We were among the first 100,000 Americans here and never missed a fight and saw it to a finish.

Now in the third army, the army of occupation; we are living in German villages along the Moselle, about 20 miles from the Rhine. We get along with the natives as though no war ever existed. Their schools, shops, stores and

churches continue as in peace time. The railroad men retained their places and it is like being in an American village during a field exercise.

The German people that remained at home never knew what havoc their troops and war had brought to the devastated region. They lived in great dread that the country would be occupied by French, as they expected the same treatment that was given refugees in the territory occupied by German troops in the past. They feared they would be given 24 hours to get out. They are now slowly realizing how wrong war is and how sportsman like the American treats his foe when he is defeated.

Your Old Wanderer Friend,
CAPT. GUS BRAUN, '15.

St. Broingt les Fosses,
Field Hospital, Co. 325,
307th Sanitary Train, A. E. F.,
A. P. O. 742.

Dear Mr. Rath:

Please excuse me for not writing oftener and letting you know my whereabouts while on this side of the water. But ever since I came over here my company has continually been functioning and moving about. This made writing conditions bad, although I sent you a few postal cards some time ago and wonder if they ever reached you.

During all this time I have been kept very busy as I had charge of a ward and working conditions in the field were not always best, especially during an offensive.

This division (82nd), on arriving in France, held the Toul and the Marbach sectors for some time, and later participated in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives. On the Toul sector we operated a field hospital of six

ward tents about ten kilometers from the lines. This appeared to be about ten kilometers too near the lines as every few days the Germans would let us know they had some heavy artillery. On the whole, things were rather quiet around the front and we handled mostly sick and gas patients. There were few wounded at this time and one of the other hospitals took care of them. But at night Jerry (Germans) would certainly come over with his aeroplane full of bombs. It was on his way to the cities of Toul and Nancy, so of course he would drop a few bombs around the hospital. Consequently, all our night work in the ward, receiving and evacuating patients, and all our moving had to be done without lights.

Before the St. Mihiel offensive this division was stationed on the extreme right sector of the salient. They drove up around towards Metz and inward to meet the other divisions on the extreme left. We were right behind them with our field hospital and moved up as they advanced. As this was the beginning of the rainy season over here, weather conditions did not favor us, as we had to work in rain and mud with Jerry trying to keep the cross roads blocked up with shells as we were trying to operate a field hospital next to some of them.

After the St. Mihiel offensive we were rushed by motor trucks to the Verdun sector. This division stayed in reserve for a few days and then started its hardest work of the war, pushing through the Argonne Forest. We followed the infantry and artillery through woods and through the roughest kind of country imaginable. Most of our moving and hiking was done at night, and then it rained most of the time we were up there. Sometimes we were only two kilometers from the lines. We had to work in rain and in mud that was at

times almost up to our knees, and with shells whistling over our heads exploding around us in a way much too deadly to be comfortable. And then sleeping in this kind of weather with Jerry sending shells over at you!

At this time our company was operating the division triage and we took care of all the casualties of this division and also of many wounded Germans.

Our part in the offensive lasted up to a few days before the armistice. After being relieved we took an eight-day hike away from the lines to this little town which is about twenty kilometers southwest of Langres. On the whole, this company was lucky when near the lines and all of us were glad to get away, thinking we would get a rest. But on arriving here we set up and operated a hospital for the division's sick. This functioning lasted up to a few days ago, when we removed all the patients and started to prepare to go home.

I have seen all the war I want to see, even if I was in the medical department, and our orders to be sent to the coast and then sail for home can not come too soon.

We have had our "ups and downs" while operating, had many good hikes, lots of moving about and pitching our tents at night, and a great deal of hard work in taking care of the patients, but took everything with a happy American spirit. I got quite a bit of practical experience in first aid and in taking care of sick and gas patients.

Now that it is over, everybody is looking forward to the time when we will return home. I am also looking forward to the time when I can again take up my studies at the Normal College, and hope that I will return in time to enter by next September.

Yours sincerely,

RUDOLPH H. PERLT.

Racine, Wis.

Enclosed find one dollar in payment of dues.

I have been in Racine since November last and am finding it a very pleasant place to work in. I have charge of all the physical education in the public schools, which includes a high school of a thousand students and twelve grade schools.

Give my regards to the Indianapolis friends.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. COX, '14.

Ambares (Gironde), France.

Just this day I was especially glad to receive the Alumni Bulletin of January, 1919. Surely the booklet was most welcome and 'twas with pride and joy that I read of so many of the Normal College men having gotten into the service—whether here or elsewhere. And surely everyone has been doing his share in the best possible way.

The local doings in the states naturally interested me and I am pleased to know of the activities carried on in the various centers throughout the country.

I now look forward to the time when we all can get together and once more meet and have the good times that once we knew in school days. Such a gathering will find many of us changed, 'tis true, but truly those changes will be good ones, the result of experiences during the past two years.

It was noted in the last Bulletin that I had been slightly wounded. Such was not the case—at least not to my knowledge. Not that active service wasn't known to our outfit, but rather it was because of the great luck that accompanied our organization. Our casualties were not heavy.

I signed up with the 16th Engineers (Railway) in May, 1917, and the regiment was in service in France in August following, constructing Advance Supply Depot No. 1, at Is sur Tille (just 18 miles to the north of Dijon). This task included immense railway yards, many large warehouses and many small and one large camp for some thirty thousand troops.

Early in the spring of 1918, we were sent to the Bethune-Arras-Amiens sector, where we constructed light railways. 'Twas up with the English, Australians and Canadians that we got out first taste of modern warfare.

Before July we had started for what we heard was to be the Italian front, but at Nevers we were unloaded and soon had pitched camp at Sermoise and Chaully on the south side of the city. Our task once more consisted of constructing a double track standard gauged railroad, but this time we were to see more action than ever before. The "cut-off" (short-cut around Nevers) was through a rocky terrain and also across a canal and the River Loire. So we had plenty to do keeping the steam shovels busy night and day. The long dirt fills also were a source of much labor. But late fall saw us leave Nevers for the last push, but not before we saw the American trains loaded with U. S. A. supplies and equipped with U. S. A. crews running through the "cut-off" from the base ports to the advance depots and the railroads.

Soon our labors were a bit different, repairing and maintaining both narrow and standard gauged railroads in the Argonne's edge and in the valley of that delightfully muddy Meuse River. With our headquarters at Verdun, our detachments were scattered from Varrenes, Buzancy and Grand Pre to the Meuse River and such uncomfortable localities

as Cheppy, Montfaucon, Nantillois, Dun, Sivry, Consenvoye, Briuelles, Charny and Chattancourt were the scenes of much action while our units were keeping the rail lines clear, up as close to the advance as possible. The roads were badly mussed up and the motor transportation was not giving the road engineers much of a chance to get the roads fixed up for heavy traffic; thus the rail lines had to be kept clear as far as possible. 'Twas along the Meuse that the most trouble was encountered for the enemy haunts were hard to get at and the rail lines that paralleled the river received more than a few thrusts from the opposing armies.

Soon after the armistice was signed our organization entered the Army of Occupation and (with the First Army) moved up to what had formerly been the enemy lines of communication. Our headquarters were at Conflans while our units were scattered from Metz to Stenay and Montmedy and at Briey, Longuyon, Longwy and Spinnecourt. The Allied artillery (heavy, of course) and the Allied bombers had made quite a muss of the former enemy lines and we had quite a task putting the rail lines into running shape again.

By the middle of December we were through with our tasks and were returned to the banks of the Meuse and "marked time" until January 19th, when we were sent to this town near Bordeaux, where we still await sailing orders.

Being attached to the Regimental Supply Department during my entire service, I had many opportunities to get through France, Belgium and Luxembourg. While with the British back of Arras, I received my warrant as master engineer, junior grade, and lately have received the senior grade of that rank. Have had much experience handling the

personnel in the Supply Department, and also in giving military and physical training to the headquarters aggregation when conditions warranted. The requisitioning, obtaining and distribution of materials made up a large share of my duties, having the motor vehicles (some sixty odd) under supervision since the summer of 1918.

This week our regiment finished up the football schedule that was carried through in good shape. There were seven teams in the organization and some very good games were played. Now we have baseball started and the competition bids fair to be better than ever.

My nicest days in France were spent at Nice over Christmas and New Year's Day and surely that change was mighty fine. The weather and entire surroundings in that famous resort district are all that one could desire. Visited Monte Carlo, Marseille, Lyon, Dijon, Paris, Neufchateau and Bar le Duc while on that trip of two weeks. Paris is once more the Paris that it used to be before the days of the war. I had a few days in the French capital in June, 1918, when the shells and bombs were so frequent there—and then the city was far from being alive.

Well, we all want to get home, to be again with real folks and to live a real life and enjoy good things. But we must have patience.

My heartiest wishes to you and to all your associates for success in this year, 1919, which will see many changes for the good of mankind.

Enclosed find \$2.00 dues.

Sincerely,

RICHARD H. STROHMER.

Sr. Master Engineers Headquarters,
16th Engineers (Railway),
American Expeditionary Forces.

VALUABLE INFORMATION DESIRED

During January the Normal College sent a questionnaire to a number of instructors in Turnvereine, in which an effort was made to get information pertaining to the definite achievements in apparatus activities for boys and young men ranging from six to eighteen years of age. The questionnaire asked for the height of the apparatus (buck and horse) in the straddle, front, flank and squat vault, and for the height of the horizontal bar in the knee-swing-up, hip-swing-up, and jumping to support. It furthermore asked for a record of the number of pull-ups, leg-raisings, dips in support-lying and in the support; for the distances in hand-climbing and climbing, and for the speed of jumping, forward 10 feet and backward 10 feet on the horizontal ladder, and the speed of climbing and hand-climbing 15 feet on the rope, of the various ages.

The results of this investigation will give us some valuable information. It will enable us to fix definite age-aims in strength and skill, which is a more accurate method of determining ability than grading pupils by standards of comparisons. It will also give us a clue as to what may justly be expected from pupils during the different ages, and enable us to better determine the anatomical and physiological needs of the various age-groups.

A number of the questionnaires have been returned completely filled out. We trust that all instructors who are working on them will be able to complete their task within the next month at the latest.

“Frolics of the Brownies” wanted. This composition is out of print. If you have a copy, will you loan it to the Normal College? Address Mr. Rath.