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HOMECOMING PAST AND HOMECOMING FUTURE

In spite of a sudden snow storm which literally paralyzed the city of Indianapolis on Friday morning, the Homecoming program went off as planned. There was a good attendance and a splendid response to the program. Margie Rohdes, the Dunsings and the speakers at the luncheon were very well received. The highlight of the luncheon was, of course, the tribute arranged for Dr. Patty who is completing his last year as Dean of the School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Hafez Ismail, graduate student from Egypt, Dr. Hester Beth Bland, President of the Midwest AHPER, Dr. Nelson Lehston, Alumnus and National President of Phi Epsilon Kappa, and Mrs. Clara L. Hester, Director of the Normal College, all spoke of the different aspects of Dr. Patty's contributions to his profession and to our school. The Alumni Association presented him with a banjo clock, suitably inscribed, as a reminder of our appreciation for all he has done.

The students presented their regular demonstration in the afternoon. This was in the nature of a Christmas program--Santa's Toy Shop. The Square Dance on Thanksgiving night and the other dance on Friday night were enjoyed as usual. The program was concluded on Saturday with a final session by the Dunsings.

The big decision at the Alumni Luncheon was concerned with plans for the next Homecoming. It was enthusiastically voted to have the next Homecoming at Camp Brosius

next August. Registration blanks will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin as well as details as to dates, time, program, etc. There is a question concerning the dates. It might be possible to schedule Homecoming during the week of August 12 or to have it that weekend--August 16, 17 and 18. If you feel that one choice is better than another, we would certainly appreciate hearing from you with your reasons for your choice. If you care to write, would you do so right away as a committee will meet soon to decide on details. Thank you.

Watch for the announcements in the next Bulletin and

WE'LL SEE YOU AT CAMP BROSIUS!



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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY WEDS

George Breithaupt, one of our sopho-
 mores, married Edith Jane Laswell on
 Saturday, January 19, 1957.

CONGRATULATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PARENTS OF

Terri Lynn, daughter of Gene and Nathalie
 Frederick Campbell, who was born on November
 12, 1956.

Eileen Marie, daughter of Joe and Kathy
 Gawrys, who was born on November 25, 1956.

Dalene, daughter of Dale and Albina Macy-
 auskas Walsh, who was born October 22, 1956.

Bruce Edwin, son of Herb and Mary Beth Shaffer
 Allender, who was born October 17, 1956.

Twins, a son and a daughter, who were born
 to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jahn, in October, 1956.

James Mathias, son of Rudy and Margaret
 Schreiber, who was born December 15, 1956.

Fred David, son of Fritz and Margie (LaRue)
 Rhodes, who was born on January 23, 1957.

IN SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to
 the family and friends of Bertha Boss Lotz,
 (Mrs. Albert H.), of McKeesport, Pa., who
 died September 17, 1956 after a long illness.

Col. Carlton L. Brosius, 80, son of
 George Brosius, died in September, 1956.
 Veteran of the Spanish American War, member
 of the Olympic fencing team in 1904 and 1912,
 saber champion in the 1920 Olympics, Captain
 in World War I, he spent the declining years
 of his life in the Grand Army home for vet-
 erans in King, Wisconsin.

His father is known as the father of
 physical education in the American Public
 Schools.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to
 the family and friends of Rudolph Babnick
 who recently died from a heart attack.

WHAT'S NEW?

Group Teaching at the Normal College has changed considerably this year. No longer do the college students pretend to be 6 or 10 or 14 years of age. We have real live elementary school children for our students to teach. And what a wonderful job these teachers have been doing! This is the story behind this change.

Last year the children at St. Mary's Grade School had their first experience in Physical Education when Lola Lohse did some field service work there for the University. This school is located just one block away from the Normal College. The only place they have for Physical Education is the Cafeteria in bad weather and Sear's parking lot in good weather. In spite of these difficulties the Sisters and the children were well pleased with the program of Physical Education and were anxious to have more. The arrangements which have been made for this year have proved to be of mutual benefit to both schools. Grades 3 and 4 came to us first, one period a week for 4 weeks. The next group was the 5th and 6th grade class and the last group we have had so far was the Junior High school group. The students are looking forward to working with the first and second grades beginning next week.

Our students have gained a great deal from this opportunity to work with children early in their college life and the children have thoroughly enjoyed these lessons. It was a thrill to see the expression on their faces when they walked into a fully equipped gymnasium for the first time, knowing that they were going to use this equipment. Without exception, each class wanted to work on the rings! There were requests for all pieces of apparatus- so many in fact that we would had to have kept each class all year to have filled every request. We hope that this arrangement will continue in future years as it has been highly gratifying.

The letters that follow are samples of letters written by third graders to their parents as part of a class project after their classes with us.

Dear Mother and Father,

I had some gym.

Oh, I had so much fun!

We went on a mat. I was a teacher. We played ball and we played Midnight. Good-bye now.

Your loving child,
Toni Jo

Dear Mother,

The class and I went to gym for four weeks. We had fun. We turned summersalts on mats and played cowboys, and horse without a head or tail. We played Midnight and walked on a balance beam on a narrow board. The teachers over there were very nice to us.

Your loving child,
Roberta



SPUTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

It has only begun! Our goal has been moved ahead and we sincerely hope that all of our alumni and friends will appreciate our project and will give us even greater assistance.

Some years ago the Normal College established a system of scholarships for deserving high school students. This fund is becoming depleted and we need a substantial amount to continue these scholarships. Certainly many of our alumni will remember how much these scholarships meant to them when their finances were low. We hope particularly that these many alumni, recipients of our scholarships, will open up their hearts and especially their purse strings and will send a contribution so that other young people can benefit. "Turn about is fair play."

The scholarship fund at the present time has reached \$1, 179.00. Though we have received fine support from many of our alumni we are sure that many more are willing to help. We think that the amount raised at the present time will not go very far to set up any kind of a scholarship. We feel that it will take at least \$5,000 to establish these scholarships.

We wish to acknowledge gifts sent by the following since the report in the last Bulletin.

Athenaeum Turners Women's Auxiliary
Baecher, Ruth
Blanchard, Donald G.
Blewett, Beverly Stierly
Blumer, Sam
Boehm, Arthur R.
Boehmer, C. Leslie
Cippola, Pete
Chalmers, Bertram
Clark, Frank
Diemer, F.J.J.
Duerr, John
DuQuinn, Ralph

Eakin, Donald
Eggleston, Edna Schafer
Fissler, Clair
Giffin, Evalyn
Goeghan, George
Glunz, Ray and Renilda
Greiner, Margareth F.
Greiner, Meta L.
Hein, Carl
Heinrich, Carl
Hofmann, Sophia
Jacquin, George
Johnson, Minna Pritzlaff
Kitts, Aria Kneiser
Klafs, Carl E.
Klafs, Frank A.
Larsen, Gladys
Lascari, Andrew
Lee, Hubert
Lennox, Juanita
Lesniak, Chester
Lonien, Roger
Lufkin, Anne Messor
Marquis, Irene Mazenauer
Matzer, Irma Klafs
McColgan, William
Meissner, William
Meyer, Arno C.
Meyer, Henry O.
Meyer, Richard L.
Moody, Ronald
Mumenthaler, Edward
Naab, William
Nicolai, William A.
Niebergall, Julia
Nilson, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert
Owen, Barbara Sartor
Paar, Steve
Palmeri, Charles
Ping, Raymond
Pletz, Teresa
Reichelt, Louise
Rich, Dorothy
Reichel
Riess, Harold W.
Russell, Angeli Tripi
Samul, Cecelia Witczak
Schmidhofer, Dr. Max
Shafer, Elsa K.
Snyder, Irene
St. Louis Chapter Phi Delta Pi

Stocker, Margery and John
Thayer, Henry
Van Nostrand, Roberta Brogan
Wise, Pearl Barnekow
Woelfle, Helen
John, Pete

Have you done your part? "Every little bit added to what we got, makes just a little bit more."

C.L.H.

FOR YOUR SPLENDID RESPONSE

The Editor would like to express her appreciation to all of the Alums who so kindly mailed or brought in copies of Mr. Rath's books. Your response was wonderful. We have given a supply to Dr. Bookwalter and have kept some for our library here.

Thank you all--very, very much.

RETIRED

Emma Sollberger Johnson (Mrs. William A.) has retired from 37 years of teaching. She has enjoyed great professional success the Illinois School for the Deaf where she was in charge of the G.A.A. for 33 years. Her husband also retired this year from the same school.

After 36 years of coaching football, Wally Pickett asked to be relieved of that duty although he will continue to coach basketball and tennis at Edgewood High School, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Wally has been at Edgewood H.S. since 1919 and has had his share of championship teams.

Editor's Note:

Space prohibited including all the interesting mail. These letters will appear in the next issue. Thank you all.

JANICE BROWN REPORTS FOR THE SOPHOMORES

We were all glad to get back to school after the Christmas Holidays. After the Thanksgiving, Homecoming and Christmas activities, things have slowed down to a lull but not for long, because we have something called January finals.

Homecoming was lots of fun. We feel like veteran performers after giving the Homecoming program four different times. We may not be stars, but we certainly know our way around the Toyshop! (For all the delinquent Alumni who didn't attend Homecoming, our theme this year was Santa's Workshop.)

The student Christmas party was held at the home of Barbara Sibbing, formerly the home of Mrs. Hester. Mrs. Hester maintained her reputation as a good cook for she prepared the main course of the luncheon and it was very, very good.

There is a new development this year. We have an arrangement with a neighboring parochial school whereby they send pupils over to our gymnasium and the sophomores have a chance to teach the different grade levels of children. We think this is a wonderful opportunity to apply all that we are learning. We also think that it is easier to teach these children than to teach each other. Both our students and we acknowledge the following since the report in the last Bulletin.

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JANE VOGT REPORTS FOR THE FRESHMAN CLASS

"Oh, those finals," is a typical expression around N.C.A.G.U. this time of year. I speak for the Freshman Class when I say "high school was never like this." Actually tho' we Freshmen have really enjoyed our first semester at Normal College. Even after playing field hockey in the snow, stumbling, or tumbling, down the mats for Mr. Martin, and dancing for Mrs. Hester we think it's the greatest place to be.

Our "up and coming" class began the year with an exceptionally fine group. Some of the students hail from Naptown and from good old New York State. We are sad to say that we lost Miss Barbara Mayfield. She switched her major to housewifery. Best of luck to you!

Next semester we are expecting a new arrival in the form of one Mr. Bill Smith also from Indianapolis. For the first time in many a year the fellas will outnumber the gals. In this case, of one to two. This "good group" is anxiously awaiting the new semester. It promises much activity and study, study, study? The women have three basketball games scheduled, then Spring Demonstration. Finally, we'll round out the year with one month at Camp Brosius. The worldly Sophomores

Naptown Freshmen
Nicolai, William A.
Niebergall, Julia
Nilson, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert
Owen, Barbara Sartor
Paar, Steve
Palmeri, Charles
Ping, Raymond
Pletzt, Teresa
Reichelt, Louise
Rich, Dorothy
Reichel
Riess, Harold W.
Russell, Angeli Tripi
Samul, Cecelia Witczak
Schmidhofer, Dr. Max
Shafer, Elsa K.
Snyder, Irene
St. Louis Chapter Phi Delta Pi

CAMPUS REPORT

Another semester ends and finals are over once again. Whew! (What a relief.) Life on the BIG campus has been very hectic the past few months and as usual the Normal College students are finding their niches.

Ann Eddy and Carol Wesp are busy every Thursday evening practicing for Oceanides. Ann also spends a great deal of time in the Modern Dance Workshop. She recently appeared on television for the Physical Education Recreation Program. Virginia Israel takes top honors in officiating basketball. Izzie received her National Rating in January. Nice work, Iz.

Mrs. Lohse certainly did a great job in teaching basketball at Normal. It seems the training stuck, too, and the Junior Normal College Norm Raisers triumphed over the Indiana HPER Girls to the tune of 34-23. Jean Koontz, Virginia Israel, and Marilyn Murphy did a terrific job as forwards and Sophie Lessing, Miriam Costanza, Ann Eddy and Phyllis Minnich held their own as guards. This is the second undefeated season now.

Congratulations to Marilyn Murphy for her new Presidential office in Pemm Club. Also to Phyllis Minnich, treasurer, and Miriam Costanza, Junior Representative.

Margie Black, Jody Gassert and Dave Mather have returned to Normal for student teaching. We sure miss them on campus and wish them the best of luck.

LUCILLE SPILLMAN REPORTS

Mrs. Marge Edwards stopped in St. Louis for a visit with her family and friends while enroute from California to the American Recreation Society convention and the International Recreation Congress in Philadelphia last September. Marge has completed a second tour of duty in Japan with the American Red Cross in service to the military hospital. She managed to tour Tokyo, Osaka, Hyoto and Sasebo. Marge is now living at 147 Sixth Avenue in San Francisco.

Mr. Otto Eckl received an award for 42 years of progressive service to Concordia Turners.

WALLY EBERHARDT REPORTS

Nothing to report in this area but I'd like to inform other alumni very briefly that I learned during Homecoming that you can acquire a good P.E. education at A.G.U.-I.U. for less than the run of the mill. For example, I can send my son, daughter, or other prospective students to attend the first two years at Indianapolis, where we all realize the practice and theory of our field is unequalled. That upon gaining this fundamental background with virtually personal instruction, the students get their feet on the ground. Educators tell us that the freshman and sophomore year at any college or university is difficult. I can verify this, for I've been with a 10,000 enrollment school for twenty-five years. May I add that after two years at Normal the youngsters may still attend a campus school. A most important consideration for teenagers, so when they go to I.U. at Bloomington they are orientated to college life. Another advantage is that they receive their degrees from a Big Ten school. Some alumni might also be interested to know that the expense, board and room and tuition, is no higher than elsewhere, and in most instances more reasonable. By the way, living conditions and environment are far superior to what we experienced. The youngsters live at the Indiana University Union only fifteen minutes from school.

In closing, the greatest advantage in attending this combination private and state school is that when the student completes his education he becomes an asset to the profession.

VERA ULBRICHT REPORTS

Iris Hofmeister was married December 22 to Donald Cheney of Connecticut in N.Y.C. Iris is the daughter of the late Rudi Hofmeister and the late Corinne Guenther Hofmeister. She will continue work for her Ph.D. and her connection with the Frick Collection of Art. Mr. Cheney will continue work for his Ph.D. at Yale.

The older son of Lou Kittlaus was married last June. Both Paul and his bride are continuing their college work at the U. of Chicago.

ERNIE SENKEWITZ REPORTS

Alma Fenske has retired last June, from a long and successful teaching career in the Pittsburgh Public Schools. (Editor's note--she is living now in Hopwood, Penn.)

Ko Kortner has been elected president of the Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter, Phi Epsilon Kappa Fraternity.

Perhaps many old time Normal Collegers would like to know that George Seibel, friend of the Normal College and past president of the American Turners, has retired from his work as director of the North Side Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. He's now living in New York with his daughter.

Incidentally, the Pittsburgh School system needs women gym teachers, mainly for the grades. Exams will be given in Feb. Maximum pay has just been increased to \$7000 for a Master's degree and \$6800 for the Bachelor's degree. There is a fine group insurance plan, plus 12 days a year sick leave, cumulative indefinitely.

Harvey Lecollier became a father again recently, his friends will be glad to know. The new offspring is James Arthur and arrived on December 3rd, 1956. James had a little difficulty when he first arrived, being an Rh baby. However, after several transfusions, he's doing quite nicely. Maw and Paw are doing pretty good, too!

Dr. Harry Dippold has collected the following several items while he was at Erie, Pa. at the State Physical Education Convention.

From Johnstown, Pa.--Hugo Thomas, formerly head of the physical education department of the elementary schools, has retired and is living somewhere in Connecticut.

From Altoona, Pa.--George Moatz, the original Pennsylvania Dutchman, is now faculty manager at Kewanee Jr. H.S.

Bob Wolfe received a Pennsylvania State honor award at the Convention in Erie.

Don Chesne has traded the teaching profession for the photography business.

Duke Snyder is now director of the physical education department at Juniata College at Huntington, Pa.

Paul Morse is now at the Altoona Sr. H.S. Das ist alles!

Mit Turner Gruss,

Ernie Senkewitz

ROBERTA VAN NOSTRAND REPORTS

Betty Sullivan Laymon who is now living in Tulare, California, has completed her graduate work for a M.A. last August and is teaching at the H.S. there until the end of the semester.

Letter from Dorothea Holoubek Winter--4 children keep her happy and busy. She said Freddie Ploetz and family stopped there this fall. The Winters went to Washington D.C. last summer. Returned thru Bloomington and saw Otto Ryser and then on to Indpls and NCAGU.--saw no one!

Letter from Billie Boettcher Stewart--they have built a new home in Greenwood, Indiana. She and family came to Buffalo at Thanksgiving to visit.

Roberta reports that she went to New York City in October as a delegate from the Kenmore P.T.A. Council of which she is president. This was on the occasion of the State P.T.A. Convention.

Old timers at school will remember Ray Schiferle. His daughter is now Roberta's neighbor. He is with Pieper Travel Bureau and travels all over the world.

MASONIC RELIEF POST

On November 1 delegates representing more than 3 million Masons elected Howard A. Clark of Buffalo, New York, as secretary of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. Congratulations are due him for this honor.

BOBBIE LARSEN REPORTS

Libby Lemmon is teaching again and loves it. She is teaching at Carle Place, Long Island. She lives in Forest Hills.

Clarence Porter wrote that his son Scott is due to return from Germany in Feb. after 3 years duty in the Air Force.

Al and Flora Helms drove to California this summer and visited Zion and Bryce canyons on their way to Salt Lake City.

Nannon Roddewig and sister were in Eastern Canada in July. In October they drove up to the Grand Morais on Lake Superior. They spent Xmas in Davenport.

Polly Giffin flew to Florida for the Xmas holidays.

Dorothy Rath Applegate wrote that she is working but not teaching. Her daughter Ann won 5th place in the National Horse Show in Salem. She had had only a few months of training. Dot says she sure latches on to our Bulletin, when it comes!

Laura Bell French Hackett (Frenchy) reports that she hasn't had an ache or pain all year. In August, her mother broke her hip. Frenchy said she was very busy during two elections, the March of Dimes, and the Community Chest drives.

Lib Rath Hente reports that her mother is still in a nursing home. Wally hasn't been too well. They are both enjoying their work.

Art and Claire Daus have both been on the sick list but are now feeling better. Their daughter Ardyce and her new husband are both back from Japan and are now stationed near Dayton.

Vi Winterhoff Wirth reports that all are well in her family. She was in California last summer and her daughter is still a therapist at the Veteran's T.B. Hospital in Indianapolis.

Martha Schneider and her sister toured the National parks in the southwest and then spent some time with her sister in Denver. She regretted missing Peg Stocker who was visiting the Louisville Turners.

During the holidays the Chicago Alumnae Association of Delta Psi Kappa had a Christmas party at the home of Helen Schmitz Pritzlaff. Present were: Charlotte Herringer Newman, Irene Beckman, Hazel Schuenmann Gronemann, Min Braker, Torch McLeish McConnell, Harriet Schrader Harz, Caroline Wasserman, Betty Marx Thompson and myself. We had had a previous meeting at the home of Vera Carr Robertson.

I heard that Helen Young spent 3 months in Europe and that Mina Schnitzer is now living in Buffalo.

Thelma Perman Dean (Penner) wrote that her son Joe was named first alternate on the U.S. Olympic Basketball team and was also elected to the Louisiana University Athletic Hall of Fame. While with the army in Germany he was chosen on the All European Basketball team. Thelma is now living in Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

Irene Beckman just bought a new home at Shorewood Hills, Sawyer, Michigan.

The mother of Mrs. Emil Rath passed on just before Xmas. She would have been 93 on January 3rd. We wish to express our sympathy to you, Mrs. Rath.

Frieda Martens Loos lost her husband recently.

Vera Carr Robertson and her husband toured the Northwest National Parks last summer and enjoyed Vancouver Island particularly. They ended in Estes Park where they picked up their daughter who was attending a camp nearby.

Mera Dinehart Richards is working full time in the schools of South Bend. She is with the pupil personnel department doing home visitations.

Florence Thorelius Green and husband Paul are travelling quite a bit these days since they are now fancy-free. Flo had heard from Herman Kurtz who now lives in California. She said, "He sounds very happy and is doing well". He even sent pictures of his boys. Do write to the rest of us, Herman and let us know what you are doing.

Classmates of '24, let me hear from you, particularly at Christmas. There were a number of you who didn't write this year. I missed your letters and so will the Bulletin.

BILL STREIT HONORED

W. K. Streit, Director of Health and Hygiene for the Cincinnati Public Schools, has been honored by the Royal Society of Health, London, England. He has been informed of election to the highest grade of elective membership. The Royal Society, founded in 1876, is under the Patronage of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and the Presidency of the Right Honorable Lord Percy of Newcastle. The English society now includes a world wide membership of leaders in health work. Mr. Streit is a fellow of the American Public Health Association and a fellow and life member of the American School Health Association.

HONORED

November 18, 1956, on Founders' Day at St. Louis University, Wally Eberhardt was honored by the University Service Award. The program stated: Over the more than quarter-century of his association with Saint Louis University, "Doc" Eberhardt has been, not only an outstanding member of the faculty in the quality of his teaching and in the depth of his influence, but also a student, an alumnus, a student-father, a broadcaster, a coach, a picnic director, a golfer, an actor, a member of the Mayor's Council on Human Relations, and a one-man ambassador of good will. His contacts throughout the widespread University community have been well-nigh universal. His famous *gemutlichkeit*, in combination with his many other admirable traits, has brought respect, renown and warm friendliness to him and to the University.

TIMES-UNION SALUTES

The Rochester Times-Union recently selected Joseph M. Ulrich to be saluted for his contribution to community progress. It was on the occasion of his retirement from John Marshall High School after 34½ years with the city school system. Mr.

Ulrich had served as coach of basketball, cross country, baseball and soccer and as boys' advisor. After a busy and successful career, Mr. Ulrich plans to devote more time to some of his hobbies--golf, bridge, fishing and travel.

HOMECOMING COMMITTEES

The following students deserve recognition for the excellent manner in which they planned and carried out the many duties connected with Homecoming.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Sandy Love, Chairman
Jane Vogt
Joanne Tedesco
Ted Wood

DANCE ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Barbara Sibling, Chairman
Bernie Helfert
Sandy Spuzich

DECORATIONS COMMITTEE

George Breithaupt, Chairman
Barbara Mayfield
Sandy Spuzich
Jerry Jacquin

SCRIPT AND PUBLICITY

Sandy Love, Chairman
Jane Vogt
Joann Olson

COSTUME COMMITTEE

Joanne Tedesco, Chairman
Janice Brown
Pat Bolton
Dianne Crossett

EXHIBITS COMMITTEE

Barbara Gerhold, Chairman
Ted Wood

STAGING AND CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

Jim Sinclair, Chairman
George Fisher

RUDY MEMMEL REPORTS

William Bischoff is now living with relatives in Boston. He visited with friends in Cincinnati during November and December. The weather interfered with his plans for visiting school at Homecoming.

The Sallwassers (Charlie and Pauline) are slowly but surely moving forward in the building of their new home in Cincinnati. They hope to move in some time next spring and will be located in the western portion of the city.

Frank Phillips pops in at school occasionally on his trips through Indianapolis. He devotes his entire time to the sale and installation of swimming pool equipment, but stays pretty close to the swimming pool in Cincinnati during the summer months.

Frank Mixie is again teaching boys and young men gymnastic classes at the Central Y.M.C.A. in Cincinnati two evenings per week. This has been an extra curricular activity of Frank's for a number of years.

Although retiring from teaching, Clarence "Bud" Abrams has been very busy this fall doing substitute teaching in the Cincinnati Public Schools. Bud still pursues his favorite hobby of photography. The Abrams have recently moved and the new address is 2863 Rose Ann Lane, Cincinnati 24, Ohio.

Norman Schulte is busy two evenings a week teaching girls and young ladies gym classes at the Central Turners Gym in Cincinnati, and Lou Roth is still holding forth with the Covington Turner Gym classes on certain evenings of the week.

FROM OUR INTERESTING MAIL DEPARTMENT

From Al Eberhardt:

First time I've written anything up for the Alumni News--

First of all--Agnes and I have 4 boys and one girl. The oldest boy Al is 6'1", is a high jumper, miler, cross country runner, captain of the track team and won his letter in track. He holds the school record in high jump, mile and cross country. He is a senior.

Ellen is 12, plays volley ball.

Jimmy is 10, plays basketball.

Timmy is 8, plays baseball.

Mike is 3, plays at everything!

Here at the School for the Blind I'm Director of Physical Education. My wrestling team ended in 5th place in the State last year--got two state champs and two third place champs. A full team is 11 men and I had 7. We wrestle sighted High Schools here in St. Louis (Have never been beaten by a sighted High School as yet) and also wrestle military academies (haven't beaten us yet). During the course of the wrestling season we wrestle schools for the Blind all the way from Minnesota down to New Mexico. In 1951 I started a Midwestern conference of Schools for the Blind, called the North Central Association of Schools for the Blind. These schools are: Minn., Neb., Iowa, Ill., Kansas, Ky., S. Dak., Wis., Ark., N.M., Tex., Tenn., Okla., Colo., and Mo. Each year the 3rd week-end in February we meet at one of these schools and have our conference meet. You should see the wrestling these kids can do. My boy that won the State 154 lb championship last year has a scholarship to Colorado U. because of his ability and he is totally blind. My other champ is still in school and two colleges are already interested in him.

With five children and myself to look after, Agnes, besides being a Den Mother for Cub Scouts, kind of has her hands full!

We also have swimming meets and track in this Conference. Some of the schools have Bowling Alleys and I'm thinking of starting a Bowling Tournament for the Blind in the Midwestern schools.

I have a dandy swimming pool--submarine lights and all! The lights aren't for my pupils--they're for me to look for bodies!

I don't write often, but when I do----

Sincerely,

Al Eberhardt

From Major Albert Alvin:

What a wonderful Homecoming!

Al Alvin

From the Mikols:

The Nelson Lehstens visited us in August on their way back from Yellowstone. Had a most enjoyable visit with them.

Big News!! David Alan arrived June 6. He's cute as a button and we're terribly thrilled.

Frank and Rosalie Bowker now live just 30 miles from us-Osawatomie, Kansas. They are both on the Staff at the State Hospital there. They seem to be enjoying their work. Regards,

Walter, Carolyn, Donna and David

From the Paul Chappelles:

Paul has been made head of the Physical Education Department. Still has his 3 sports too. So really is busy.

The children are growing fast and soon our baby will start school.

Happy Holidays.

Paul, Marian Chappelle and children

From Lt. Col. Fred Ploetz:

A Christmas card from the same place two years in a row is rather unusual for us Ploetz's, but out here on the Eastern end of Long Island, has some advantages. The summer was beautiful and the winters are mild.

We passed through Indianapolis in August on our way to visit Bob in Cincinnati and really wanted to stop, but with five kids in the back seat--cooped up for six or seven hours--we just had to push on.

I have flown over Indianapolis several times in the past few months, usually in the wee hours of the morning--wish I could just call down to say Hello in passing.

Our very best regards to all old friends.

Thelma and Fred Ploetz

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