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NATIONAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION
HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING



Group present at National Alumnae Association Meeting

Those present at the annual meeting of the National Alumnae Association held on campus, June 8, 1946, were:

- Ellen Birkett
- Helen Campbell
- Rose Demmon
- Mrs. L. H. Diekroeger
- Frances Fox
- Dell Halderman
- Joan Waring Hawkins
- Alice Hamilton Heltzel
- A. Beth Hostetter
- Florence Englebrecht Hostetter
- Mary Birkett Huber
- Doris Smith Johnson
- Shirley Bruns Ladwig
- Lucile Wilbern McMullen

- Lucia Morris Minard
- Avis Carroll Mracek
- Helen Hanson Philps
- Aurel Spuehler Ploshay
- Lenore Prehler
- Mary Waring
- Lelia Wright

The treasurer reported a balance of \$201.62 in the treasury. It was voted to give \$100.00 to Frances Shimer College to help with the printing of the *Alumnae News*.

Officers of The National Alumnae Association for 1946-1947:

- Aurel Spuehler Ploshay President
- Darrelene Cobbs Hobson . . . Vice-Pres.
- Roberta Rayner Secretary
- A. Beth Hostetter Treasurer

Alumnae Chapter Officers for 1946-1947:

Chicago North Shore Chapter:

Constance Barry Arens President
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and Social Chairman
June Hill Garwood . . . Secretary-Treas.
Mary Witteborg Carlucci
. Membership Chairman

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Martha Jane Miller . . . Vice-President
Lucille Wilbern McMullen . Secretary
Ruth Wrightsman Murray . Treasurer

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Shirley Bruns Thomas President
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Avis Carroll Mracek Treasurer

California Chapter:

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Winifred Inglis Baumgartner
. Vice-President
Julia Sword . . . Cor. Secretary-Treas.
Hazel Smillie Pattee . . . Recording Sec.

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May Hammond Wolf Vice-Pres.
Rose Demmon . . . Secretary-Treasurer

Executive Committee:

Dorothy Johnson Colliflower
Hazel Don Stober
Vernette White Kearneghan
Thelma Fox Homedew
Eva Durham Schaut

Members of the National Alumnae Association, June 1, 1946:

Ackerman, Vivian Mercer, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
Adams, Joanne Taggart, Elmhurst, Ill.
Allison, Alta Sherrard, Lombard, Ill.
Anderson, Louise, Des Moines, Iowa.
Austin, Dorothy, Chicago, Ill.
Bach, Jessie Woerfel, Fish Creek, Wis.
Barry, Shirley Floody, South Bend, Ind.
Barthel, Mary Bryant, Waupon, Iowa.
Bastian, Florence, Freeport, Ill.

Belding, Barbara Geister, Elgin, Ill.
Bennett, Dorothy Wagnitz, Detroit, Mich.
Bergeman, Phyllis, Pearl City, Ill.
Bernat, Elaine Plous, El Paso, Texas.
Best, Gertrude, Milwaukee, Wis.
Birkett, Ellen, Peoria, Ill.
Birrell, Jennie Doty, Rossmoyne, Ohio.
Borgeson, Tamar Meister, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
Breeze, Alice, Elkhart, Ind.
Brooks, Betty Gillette, Chicago, Ill.
Brown, Helen E., Beverly Hills, Calif.
Brown, Jean Iddings, Crown Point, Ind.
Brown, Jeanne Levin, Racine, Wis.
Brown, Rachel Fuller, Albany, N. Y.,—
(Faculty).
Buckstaff, Betty, Chippewa Falls, Wis.
Bussan, Prudence Mac Kenzie, Lancaster,
Wis.
Campbell, Helen, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
Carlton, Mary Andrews, Sterling, Ill.
Cermak, Renee Brower, Chicago, Ill.
Chiverton, Ruth, Dixon, Ill.
Collins, Grace Grattan, Cleveland, Ohio.
Conner, Zella Petty, Leesburg, Ind.
Conrad, Doris Buser, Mt. Morris, Ill.
Cooper, Rosyln Jonas, Knox, Ind.
Cration, Catherine Sears, Davenport, Iowa.
Cubbon, Anne Orvis, Winnetka, Ill.
Cunningham, Joan Rockey, New York,
N. Y.
Cutler, Martha Sanks, Decatur, Ill.
Daly, Cynthia, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Daubek, Catherine MacKechnie, Gary, Ind.
Davis, Jennie Smith, Oskaloosa, Kansas.
Davis, Katherine Keller, Battle Creek,
Mich.
Degele, Emily Hopkins, Beaver Dam, Wis.
De Wilde, Janet Blumer, Neenah, Wis.
Dickson, Dorothy, Montezuma, Iowa.
Dodge, Gwen Mershon, Moline, Ill.
Dorathy, June Guhl, Freeport, Ill. (Puerto
Rico).
Doty, Ethel Ank, Cashmere, Wash.
Dungan, Clara Ferrenberg, Hastings, Neb.
Dutton, Mary Jane, Sycamore, Ill.
Elliott, Celestine Dahmen, Los Angeles,
Calif.
Ericson, Beverly, Clinton, Iowa.
Fields, Mary Dix, Elkhart, Ind.
Fox, Frances, Chicago, Ill.
Francke, Ellen, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
Francke, Ione Bickelhaupt, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
Fransen, Viola Switzer, Davenport, Iowa.
Fries, Betty, Chicago, Ill.
Gage, LaVerne, Winnetka, Ill.
Gaggin, Helen, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Gibbs, Veneta, Indianola, Ill.
Gilpin, Ruth Bowman, Carmi, Ill.
Gingerick, Jeannette Shiveley, Los Ange-
les, Calif.
Glass, Rose, Seattle, Wash.
Goldberg, Dorine, Chicago, Ill.
Graham, Marjorie, Chicago, Ill.
Green, Carol, Merrill, Wis.

- Green, Martha Ashman, Deerfield, Ill.
 Gross, Betty Ewald, Chicago, Ill.
 Guentner, Dorothy Metz, Pearl City, Ill.
 Haeger, Marcy, Dundee, Ill.
 Hamilton, Crete, Anna, Ill.
 Hawk, Colleen, Bryan, Ohio.
 Heaney, Elizabeth Van Westrum, Chicago, Ill.
 Heller, Barbara, Montpelier, Ohio.
 Henry, Lucy Dell, Ann Arbor, Mich.
 Hohenboken, Mabel Kirkpatrick, Geneseo, Ill.
 Holm, LaVerne, Chicago, Ill.
 Holmgren, Frances, Evanston, Ill.
 Hooker, Dorothy Smith, Midland, Mich.
 Horn, Phoebe Graham, Santa Monica, Cal.
 Jacobson, Betsy Johnson, Hammond, Ind.
 Jankovic, Leah Arne, Grand Rapids, Mich.
 Jensen, Jeanne Rennie, Iowa Falls, Iowa.
 Johnson, Jean Hickcox, Reidsville, N. C.
 Johnson, Mary C. Nelson, Chicago, Ill.
 Jordan, Texa W., Wheeling, W. Va.
 Keiser, Florence E., Danville, Ill.
 Kelley, Ida Gurney, Mendota, Ill.
 Kempton, Marie Solstad, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Kivlan, Eloise, Evanston, Ill.
 Kleinheksel, Gretchen, East Lansing, Mich.
 Koehl, Elaine Buell, Scarsdale, N. Y.
 Koons, Virginia Ann, Britt, Iowa.
 Kullman, Dorothea Scheaffer, Kenosha, Wis.
 Kunkel, Joyce Jouvenat, Petersburg, Neb.
 Larson, Madge Dynes, Joliet, Ill.
 Leake, Rose Lane, Amboy, Ill.
 Lenmark, Vonnie, Eau Claire, Wis.
 Lifsey, Betty Abling, Detroit, Mich.
 Lynn, Almamae, Elgin, Ill.
 Mackinnon, Ellen, Oshkosh, Wis.
 Marks, Marjorie Fishbein, Chicago, Ill.
 McAllister, Margaret Jones, Evanston, Ill.
 McHardy, Sylvia Sorenson, Omaha, Neb.
 McMullen, Lucile Wilburn, Chicago, Ill.
 Merryman, Margaret Kuhn, Enid, Okla.
 Merten, Catherine Best, North Chicago, Ill.
 Mervis, Harriett Plous, Barrington, Ill.
 Miller, Catherine Mastin, Los Angeles, Cal.
 Miller, Ruth Deets, Sunnyside, Wash.
 Minard, Lucia Morris, Chicago, Ill.
 Moller, Lucile Hamilton, Des Moines, Ia.
 Moore, Dorothy Hill, San Diego, Calif.
 Mracek, Avis Carroll, Oak Park, Ill.
 Myers, Betty Miles, Short Hills, N. J.
 Myers, Mary Childs, Detroit, Mich.
 Neely, Aileen, Carbondale, Ill.
 Nicol, Marjorie O'Dea, Oberlin, Ohio.
 Nilson, Elisabeth, Evanston, Ill.
 Nourse, Mary, Washington, D. C.
 O'Byrne, Gladys Smith, Glendale, Calif.
 Oman, Janet Tarrson, Winnetka, Ill.
 Oxley, Harriet, Corwith, Iowa.
 Panushka, Ruth Barker, Glendale, Calif.
 Pelck, Janet Vayo, Oconomowoc, Wis.
 Peterson, Beth Anderson, Chadwick, Ill.
 Petesch, Elizabeth Foltz, Chicago, Ill.
 Pfeifer, Margo, Detroit, Mich.
 Pfoutz, Effie Schreiner, Rockford, Ill.
 Phillips, Wanda, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
 Philps, Helen Hanson, Oak Park, Ill.
 Pinnell, Donna, Clinton, Iowa.
 Ploshay, Aurel Spuehler, Chicago, Ill.
 Plunkett, Ivy Caldwell, Wausau, Wis.
 Pontow, Alice Honken, Worthington, Minn.
 Prehler, Lenore, Oak Park, Ill.
 Price, Kathryn, Blue Island, Ill.
 Ratner, Edith Pollock, Chicago, Ill.
 Rayner, Roberta Leland, Skokie, Ill.
 Roberts, Beatrice Wade, Detroit, Mich.
 Robertson, Anita Ely, Western Springs, Ill.
 Robinson, Alida Hopps, Cranford, N. J.
 Rothe, Peg Pullen, Cranford, N. J.
 Sawyer, Martha Green, Ann Arbor, Mich.
 Schlaefli, Audrey, Shorewood, Wis.
 Schweizer, Florence, Wausau, Wis.
 Shapiro, Ruth, Highland Park, Ill.
 Shaw, Virginia Dimond, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Shipley, Joyce Gregerson, Mason City, Ia.
 Smith, Edith Whitfield, Milwaukee, Wis.
 Smith, Josephine H., Chicago, Ill.
 Smith, Laura Runyan, Savanna, Ill.
 Smith, Mary Caroline, Rockford, Ill.
 Sparboe, Melva Mercer, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
 Stiles, Dora Spath, Miami, Fla.
 Stone, Julia Cargill, Mason City, Ill.
 Stone, Peg, Flint, Mich.
 Stoughton, Barbara, Anamosa, Iowa.
 Sturtz, Virginia Sweet, Lanark, Ill.
 Sullivan, Virginia Doschadis, Madison, Wis.
 Tappan, Lois Linebarger, Knoxville, Tenn.
 Thomsen, June, Wyoming, Iowa.
 Turnbaugh, Emily, Mt. Carroll, Ill.
 Turrell, Margaret Eastabrooks, Riverside, Calif.
 Upchurch, Dolly Jones, West Frankfort, Ill.
 Valley, Madelyn Helm, Millwood, Wash.
 Vollrath, Patricia, Sheboygan, Wis.
 Wallace, Elaine, Oak Park, Ill.
 Webb, Harriet Halderman, Chicago, Ill.
 Westbrook, Betty Borge, Chicago, Ill.
 Westphal, Rosemary Trude, Oak Park, Ill.
 Wheeler, Lulu Arnold, Springfield, Ill.
 Whiting, Ella Thornton, Elgin, Ill.
 Wichman, Miriam, Highland Park, Ill.
 Wiles, Betty Bliss, Chicago, Ill.
 Wilkinson, Gertrude, Berwyn, Ill.
 Winters, Margaret Hatfield, Duquoin, Ill.
 Wirtjes, Laura Beyers, Shannon, Ill.
 Worley, Izelle Emery, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Worner, Ruby K., New Orleans, La.
 Wright, Isabel McNab, Plano, Ill.
 Younie, Cora Scott, Hawarden, Iowa.
 Zuetell, Virginia, Oak Park, Ill.

CLOSING EVENTS

May Fete was held in the gymnasium this year due to continued rain. The ceremony was held at the side of the gym just off the stage. Marjorie Schnepf, May Queen, was crowned by Ann Bowman, former queen. Maid of Honor was Sue Avery. The pages were Alice Nelson and Pat Pruning; trainbearers, Tom Watson and Robin Husband; flower girls, Kathleen Sikkink and Gretchen Wright; crown bearer, Alene Wilson; and Queen's attendants: Audrea DeCou, Rosalie Rozumoff, Janet Garlough, Betty Jo Guyan, Jan Grimes, Lynn Cuthbertson, Frances Moulds, Mana Shibuya, Bernie Berry, Joan Catlin, Priscilla Morss and Carol Cannon. The presentation this year was entitled "The Path Across a Highway" and depicted the aftermath of war in pantomime and dance.

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Weather favored the Horse Show. A record crowd attended. The outstanding feature of the Show was the showing by Mr. Scofield of Lady Esther, famous high school mare. Many were delighted with the showing of two new hackney harness horses of the Argyll Stables. Honors to the girls were as follows:

Advance Class:

Caryll Watson, first
Marilyn Hardt, second
Dorothy Zurndorfer, third
Carolyn Jones, fourth

Combination Class:

Carol Jones and Joyce Klemme, first
Marilyn Hardt and Patricia Redfearn, second
Caryll Watson and Dorothy Zurndorfer, third

Advance Pair Class:

Marilyn Hardt and Patricia Redfearn, first
Anne Clark and Joan Martwick, second
Caryll Watson and Dorothy Zurndorfer, third
Carolyn Jones and Joyce Klemme, fourth

Intermediate Class:

Carol Spiering, first
Marie Kent, second
Priscilla Morss, third
Dorothy Greier, fourth

Novice Class:

Marcella Yellin, first
Mary Hoyt, second
Doreen Goss, third
Clara Stolte, fourth

Bareback Class:

Doreen Goss, first
Clara Stolte, second
Mary Hoyt, third
Carol Spiering, fourth

A new exhibition at the show was the Saddle Tandems, demonstrated by Joyce Klemme and Joan Martwick.

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Class Day went off as usual. Miss Cleone Lemcke was presented the Chicago Alumnae Scholarship at the exercises held in the morning. During the afternoon a Maypole Dance was presented by the students. The big event of the day was the picnic on the campus in the late afternoon. It was very well attended.

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The Baccalaureate Service emphasized how thankful we should be that we have been spared invasion of our land. Miss Vera Brittain gave the address, "Save Europe Now." Her plea resulted in the contribution of over six hundred dollars to buy standard food packages to send to Europe.



Shirley Bruns Ladwig presents
Chicago Alumnae Scholarship to
Cleone Lemcke.

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The address at graduation was given by Dr. Stefan Osusky, Czeck ambassador to France for twenty years. His address was on "Russia's Relations with the West."

The following awards and scholarships were presented:

The Elizabeth Percy Konrad Trophy
—Nancy Schermerhorn

The Dickerson Art Award—
Jeanne Spinti

The Jessie Miles Campbell Prize—
Marjorie Anne Schnepf

The Ileen Bullis Campbell Prize—
Florence Spuehler

The Samuel James Campbell Athletic Trophy—Joan Catlin

The Anne McKnight Vocal Award
—Janis Grimes

The Pro Musica Award—
Lois Burrack

The Schwing Piano Award—
JoAnne Schmidt

The Dramatic Club Prize—
Audrey DeCou

The Martha Barnhart Hoffman Prize—Marilyn Zaremski

The Record Prize—Joanne Frazier

The Phi Theta Kappa Scholastic Award—Nancy Schermerhorn

The Lower Division Honor Scholarships—JoAnn Johnson and
Katherine Phillips

The Upper Division Honor Scholarship—Betty Jo Guyan

Following Graduation a large number of those present attended the reception at Sawyer House.

Graduating Classes, June 1946:

UPPER DIVISION GRADUATES

Avery, Suzanne Edith, Chicago, Ill.
Bennett, Eva Eleanor, Summit, N. J.
Burrack, Lois Rhoda, Monticello, Iowa.
Cahill, Dorothy Margaret, Milwaukee, Wis.
Dauphin, Arlene Kathryn, Savanna, Ill.
DeCou, Audrey Ellen, Woodbine, Iowa.
Foster, Alice J., Sheboygan, Wis.
Garlough, Mary Janet, Rocky River, Ohio.
Gregerson, Lois Marie, Mason City, Iowa.
King, Nancy Ruth, Chicago, Ill.
Knapp, Peggy Darlene, Maywood, Ill.
Maypole, Shirley Janet, River Forest, Ill.
Miles, Marilyn Jeanne, Oak Park, Ill.
Myers, Marilyn, Elmhurst, Ill.
Nedry, Adele Minette, Chicago, Ill.
Rozumoff, Rosalie G., Racine, Wis.
Schnepf, Marjorie Anne, Decatur, Ind.
Stoll, Gertrude Ellen, Wauwautosa, Wis.
Tice, Marjorie Barbara, Oak Park, Ill.
Turnbull, Mary Darlene, Park Ridge, Ill.
Weidler, Betty Jayne, Park Ridge, Ill.
Wimmer, Mary Jean, Cuba City, Wis.

LOWER DIVISION GRADUATES

Beatty, Jacqueline May, Grosse Pointe, Mich.
Becker, Sara Clarke, Papillion, Neb.
Berry, Bernita Carol, Lake Forest, Ill.
Boyle, Patricia Flo, Rochelle, Ill.
Breck, Eleanor Frances, Chicago, Ill.
Catlin, Joanne, Maroa, Ill.
Clark, Anne DeGolyer, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Day, Patricia Louise, Arlington Heights, Ill.
Dickson, Marjorie Jane, Battle Creek, Mich.
Dry, Lois Jane, Chicago, Ill.

- Dukelow, Alyce, Grand Rapids, Minn.
 Elliott, Madlyn Marie, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Ericson, Phyllis Regina, St. Charles, Ill.
 Felker, Charlotte Tyree, Webster Groves,
 Missouri.
 Fischer, Ruth Marie, Belvidere, Ill.
 Gensheimer, Jeanne Phyllis, Hammond,
 Ind.
 Geroy, Duan Marian, Downers Grove, Ill.
 Goble, Eleanore Bennette, Glen Ellyn, Ill.
 Grady, Betty Jane, Elkhart, Ind.
 Haeger, Phyllis Marianna, LaGrange, Ill.
 Hardt, Marilyn Suzanne, Chicago, Ill.
 Harrington, Alice, Chicago, Ill.
 Johnson, JoAnn, Chicago, Ill.
 Kent, Marie Elaine, Barrington, Ill.
 Lentz, Barbara Jeanne, Long Beach, Calif.
 Mohr, Joan Elizabeth, Green Bay, Wis.
 Montag, Rita Fay, Chicago, Ill.
 Phillips, Katherine Gilmore, Des Moines,
 Iowa.
 Pickett, Camille Desha, Highland Park, Ill.
 Potter, Elizabeth, LaRose, Ill.
 Rozumoff, Ruth, Racine, Wis.
 Shibuya, Manabu, Mountain View, Calif.
 Smith, Barbara, Anamosa, Iowa.
 Stowell, Barbara, Aurora, Ill.
 Tyner, Joan, Crystal Lake, Ill.
 VanDyke, Mary Elizabeth, Plainfield, Ill.
 Vladeff, Sonia Jane, Mt. Clemens, Mich.
 Voigt, Joan, Rocky River, Ohio.
 Williams, Caroline Anne, Chicago, Ill.
 Williams, Patricia Ann, Chicago, Ill.
 Wolin, Victoria Ann, Des Moines, Iowa.
 Zaremski, Marilyn Jo, Los Angeles, Calif.
 Zipprich, Donna Marie, Milwaukee, Wis.

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NEWS ITEMS

Carroll County Alumnae Dinner

Twenty-seven of the Carroll County Alumnae had dinner in the Shimer dining hall on May 10, 1946. The following alumnae were present:

Vivian Mercer Ackerman
 Harriet Owen Bickelhaupt
 Helen Campbell
 Dorothy Johnson Colliflower
 Virginia Gsell Croffoot
 Rose Demmon
 Jeannette Hostetter Ford
 Iona Bicklehaupt Francke
 Violet Spealman Frank
 Helen Hurley Harry
 Mary Dell Halderman
 Alice Hamilton Heltzel
 Suzetta Petty Holman
 A. Beth Hostetter
 Florence Englebrecht Hostetter
 Ellen Francke Irwin
 Vernetta White Kearneghan
 Marion Lister
 Ruth Kingery Noble
 Grace Harvey Penfield
 Ethel Kenyon Pierce
 Aurel Spuehler Ploshay
 Evelyn Spealman Senneff
 Dorothea Schreiner Smith
 Melva Mercer Sparboe
 Grace Reynolds Squires
 Jean Schreiner Unzicher
 Grace Reynolds Watson
 Marjorie Phillips Weidman

One of the important items of business at the meeting which followed the dinner was the matter of a revision of the constitution of the county chapter. A reading of the old constitution revealed the fact that this group had originally considered itself the National Alumnae Association. For this reason, there are many points in the constitution which have not been followed during recent years. A

committee was appointed to consider the constitution and bring suggestions for changes at the next meeting of the group. The officers were elected for 1946-1947.

Dean Lane Accepts Position in the East

Mrs. Estella H. Lane, who has served as Dean of Students for the past three years at Frances Shimer College, has resigned her position, effective July 1, to accept the position as Dean of Women at Green Mountain Junior College, Poultney, Vermont. Green Mountain College has a student body numbering 300. In the past it has been a junior college for women. Beginning in September, 1946, it will be co-educational.

We are happy to learn that Mrs. Lane's daughter, Mary, plans to return to Frances Shimer and complete the twelfth grade next year.

Mrs. Lane has made a splendid contribution to the life of Frances Shimer College during the three years she has served as Dean of Students. Our best wishes go with her in her new position.

Shimer Alumnae of recent years will be especially interested in knowing that Miss Virginia Weigel, instructor in Biological Science at Shimer since 1936, will assume the position of Dean of Students.

The North Shore Newspaper Bulletin will have no issue for the months of July and August. It will be published again in September under a new name yet to be chosen.

Reception for Miss Bell

The reception for Miss Edith Bell, held June 8, 1946, in Dickerson Art Gallery, was largely attended by people from Mount Carroll and neighboring towns. About twenty-five of Miss Bell's watercolors were on exhibit and many of them were sold over the week end. Among the visitors were Dr. and Mrs. Bardwell, Dr. and Mrs. Matill, and Dr. and Mrs. Kuhl from the University of Iowa.

Miss Bell, because of poor health, has resigned her position on Shimer's staff after eight years with the college. Her works have been exhibited widely in Illinois and Iowa, and her water colors are well known nationally. Miss Bell plans to live in Phoenix, Arizona, near her father's home.

Minneapolis Alumnae Meet

We have received a letter from Mrs. W. H. Ramsey, our Minneapolis counselor, reporting a lovely alumnae tea held in the home of Mrs. Frank Bowman, in Minneapolis, on Sunday afternoon, May 19. Mrs. Wiggins, who graduated from Frances Shimer in 1913, assisted Mrs. Ramsey with the arrangements. Twenty-three persons were in attendance. President Bro and Mr. Wittenfeld represented the college.

Spring Concert

On Sunday, May 12, the Frances Shimer Glee Club joined forces with the athletic and dramatic departments to produce a new Shimer entertainment highlight—a spring concert composed of singing, readings, and dancing. The theme, Tschaikowski's "Nutcracker Suite" was enacted through interpretive dances, and the accompaniment was a vocal chorus. Weaving the concert together was an ex-

planatory oral reading by "King Nutcracker,"—Joan Tremaine. Featured were the chapel singers, and dancing solos by Marilyn Hardt, Betty Beach, Patti Williams, Patricia Day, Nancy Soboda and Betty Grady. The festive—and jubilant—production was under the direction of Mme. Gilderoy Scott, Miss Abramson, and Miss Eby.

At the May meeting of the South Side Alumnae group it was decided to send a report of meetings and activities to the school each month. Ten people attended the May meeting at the home of Mary Kay Johnson. Lorna Densmore Funk is moving from Chicago to Kokomo, Indiana. On May 19, the group met for a dinner at Lincolnshire Country Club. Seven members attended.

Mrs. Homedew is New Admissions Secretary

The counselors will be pleased to learn that we have secured Mrs. Thelma Homedew, Mt. Carroll, Illinois, to take over the assignment of admissions secretary. She will succeed Miss Helen Campbell who has accepted the appointment of registrar at Frances Shimer. Mrs. Homedew comes to Frances Shimer from the Mt. Carroll Senior High School where she has served as teacher and registrar for the past thirteen years.

Admissions work is not altogether new work to Mrs. Homedew, as she served as private secretary to the late President William Parker McKee for several years. Much of her work at that time dealt with student procurement. Mrs. Homedew plans to take over her new assignment on July 15.

SENIOR PLAY DAY

On May 4, 1946, Frances Shimer was hostess to many high school seniors of the county and surrounding towns. They were invited to come to the college to enjoy a day of sports. The sports program for the afternoon was tennis, golf, swimming, baseball, and volleyball. Due to rain, scheduled activities did not take place, and substitutions were made. The guests swam in the college pool, played volleyball in the gymnasium, danced in the grill, visited the stables, and took tours of the campus. The forty guests and their sponsors were asked to stay for dinner and to see the play given by Green Curtain, "Ladies in Retirement."

During the late afternoon a swimming meet and water ballet were held for their pleasure. Those participating

were of the college and academy. Strokes on which the girls were judged were the breast stroke, side stroke, crawl stroke, racing back stroke, and elementary back stroke. In the diving competition, Nancy Soboda won top honors. To add variety and speed, three races were run off: candle race, potato race, and tandem race. Those in the swimming ballet were Gail Byers, Nancy Soboda, Donna Zippich, Joan Brizzie, Barbara Grundfest, Berthan Jansey, Joy Mapes, and Barbara Smith.

Towns represented by our guests on this joyous day were Sterling, Savannah, Mount Carroll, Lanark, and Milledgeville. These girls and their sponsors are looking forward to having this Play Day become a part of the college tradition.

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MRS. JOY GIVES NEW ORGAN

Mrs. Annabelle Culver Joy has made many students and faculty members happy with the presentation to the school of a new Hammond Organ. It is given as a memorial to Raymond B. Culver, president of Shimer from 1936-1938, at which time serious illness prevented him from continuing his work.

The students and faculty were so anxious to hear the new organ that an improvised concert was arranged on the night its installation was completed. Janise Vaughn played some Bach, Handel and Schubert, and Maureen Roske, Shimer alumna attending The Juilliard Graduate School of Music in New York, sang a group of songs. Then Phyllis Haeger's brother played popular music as all crowded round to sing.

The real dedication of the organ was given at Graduation. The prayer, written by Mrs. Bro, was as follows:

Our Father — Thou who hast set the planets in their places and dost sustain

them in harmony, Thou who hast made the stars to sing together and the music of the spheres to speak thy sustaining care, we come to Thee with joy and thanksgiving for this occasion. We know that Thou dost mean our lives to speak the same accord which rises in our hymns of praise.

Today we pause to dedicate to Thee this organ which will be the source of music and happiness in our common life at Shimer. But it is not alone an instrument of music which we dedicate to Thy service. With it we dedicate anew our own devotion. Wilt Thou gather into one symphony of friendship the family who made this organ possible for us and all of the families represented here today. Keep us free from discord in our innermost hearts. May the chords of Thy love gather in the lesser chords of our own hope and faith so that together we may bring the world into the vast harmony of Thy spirit. Amen.

A great amount of pleasure and source of inspiration will be given by this gift throughout the years to come.

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GREEN CURTAIN HOPEFUL!

THE FRANCES SHIMER COLLEGE

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BEING A RECORD OF ALUMNAE AND FRIENDS WHO

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MR. AND MRS. E. LEROY ABLING
ELEANOR ALBERT '46
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MR. AND MRS. MORRIS J. AMSRUD
LEWIS F. AUSTIN
SUZANNE AVERY '44

B

LILACE REID BARNES
MR. AND MRS. W. W. BARRY
BETTY JANE BEACH
JEAN M. BEIER '40
MR. AND MRS. STEVENS A. BENNETT
GERTRUDE BEST '29
GEORGENE WILLIAMS BIGGS '25
MARJORIE ALICE BLACK
MR. AND MRS. A. J. BLOOMBERG
DR. A. R. BOGUE
MR. AND MRS. DONALD L. BREED
MRS. LENA M. BRIGGS
MR. AND MRS. ALBIN C. BRO
MADALYN BRUNS '42

C

JESSIE M. CAMPBELL '07
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MR. AND MRS. S. J. CAMPBELL
RUTH CHIVERTON '18
BONNIE JEAN CLARK '45
MRS. CHARLES S. CLARK
MR. AND MRS. C. R. COLEHOUR
DR. AND MRS. ERNEST C. COLWELL
ZELLA C. CORBETT '10

D

ROSE DEMMON '90
BINA MALONEY DENEEN '90
MR. AND MRS. L. H. DIEKROEGER
JUNE GUHL DORATHY '44
MARIAN DUMELOW

E

LAURA V. EATON '11
MR. AND MRS. RALPH M. EATON, JR.
ERMA SCHMIDT ELLIOT '36
CELESTINE DAHMEN ELLIOTT

F

JESSIE MATKIN FISHER '01
DR. LAFE H. FRITZ

G

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ALUMNAE TEA IN MINNEAPOLIS

A very nice tea for alumnae was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Bowman (Vera Meneilley, '13) of Minneapolis on the afternoon of Sunday, May 19. Mrs. Bowman, very busy at the time, depended on Mrs. Porter P. Wiggins (Doris Leach, '13) who graduated with her from Shimer, to make the arrangements for the tea. Mrs. William Ramsey (Janet McCormick, '42) assisted Mrs. Wiggins.

That everyone present enjoyed the tea is evidenced by the fact that guests were still leaving in the early evening. Since there was such a plentiful table of supplies remaining that another tea might be held, part of the group decided to remain and repeat the process of the tea in order to prolong the pleasure of the visit afforded by it. Dr. Bro was very pleased to have the opportunity of having such a

long and pleasant visit with the alumnae and parents who were present. He hoped that there would be an opportunity to come to Minneapolis next year to meet with the alumnae and parents again since this was the first occasion in about ten years at which one of the administrative officers of the College had been present.

In addition to those mentioned, the following were present: Jo Horne, Dorothy Jolly, Beverly Quade, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Randles, Mrs. Earle Shaw, Mrs. Palmer Refsdal, Colonel Wiggins, Mr. and Mrs. Gold and daughter Barbara, Mrs. Geo. F. La Pointe, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Woodruff, Mrs. George Van Aucken, Misses Gertrude, Jane and Mary Olson, Mrs. Guy H. Ramsey, Mrs. M. McCormick, Mr. Bradley Bowman.

**Those having torches will pass them
on to others.**

—Plato

Carry the light to more girls; give your share
to the new residence hall fund.

FRANCES SHIMER, PIONEER

By MARY DEWHURST MILES

CHAPTER TWO — CONTINUING EDUCATION

(Continued from preceding issue)

When Frances found that the study of medicine was denied her, she determined to enter normal school and devote some time to teaching. At first she seems to have thought that she might be able to pursue medical studies after teaching for a time. But later she decided to give her whole life to forwarding education for women. It was characteristic of her inquiring mind that in her developing womanhood she should have surveyed the status of women in the educational world. She found that for some time women had been emerging from their life and position as chattels of the other sex. A new spirit of independence was rife. Frances had probably read of a certain Margaret Conwell in her own county, Saratoga, who had been advertised by her husband as having "left his bed and board." The indignant Margaret retorted in a paid advertisement of her own. "He should have showed that he had a bed, for this is the first time I ever knew that he was the owner of one. Indeed I am now inclined to believe that he alludes to one of mine. He says I have left his board. Now he never provided any board except now and then a scanty meal of potatoes. As for running him in debt he need have no apprehension as no one will trust him where he is so unfortunate as to be known."

The very fact that Frances Wood wanted to study medicine shows the stirring of a spirit of expansion in the desires and aspirations of the young women of the time. Her special interest in education can be traced back to some of the compositions of her early

school life. Thus before she was sixteen we find an unfinished essay on "Female Education" in the notebook from which we quote,

"A century ago it was not thought necessary for females to have an education, any more than to read and write, and that they could learn at a common district school, and if carried beyond this they thought it would lead them to neglect the more common, and consequently more useful employments, such as Culinary and Domestic Arts. But at the present day I suppose there are but few, if any (whose opinions are worthy of notice) that will pretend to deny the importance of the education of our sex, so many in my opinion are laboring under a great mistake as to the manner. Some think their daughters cannot get an education at a common school, but must be sent off some distance from home (as of course there is not a good Seminary within a hundred miles of anyplace), and at the expiration of the term they think they can speak French as well as a Parisian or a Florentine: They have got smattering of the Fine Arts, such as embroidery, Music, Drawing and flower painting, they have also been through Astronomy, Geology, Concology, and almost everything taught there. They return to their parents thoroughly accomplished, and literally full of learning. And now commences a display of their accomplishments; the walls are hung with landscapes in oil, flowers in watercolors, india ink drawings, and superb vases of shellwork grace the mantels, and lampstands of glowing worsted decorate the center table. All this would do well enough for those whose rank in life require and whose ample fortunes will admit of it but there are but few of this class and even for the parents of those it would be well for them to remember that their wealth may take wings and fly away."

In later years Frances got away from the use of "female" in describing women's education. That her school

for girls was known as Mount Carroll Seminary without the "female" may have been due to the fact that for the first few years boys were also received. But we like to think that she eschewed the word from principle and though many people spoke of Mount Carroll "Female Seminary," because such schools were usually similarly designated, the name was always just Mount Carroll Seminary. About this time, Mrs. Hale, the "Lady of Goddey's," was arguing long and bitterly against the word at the time of the opening of Vassar Female College. She was the direct cause of the offending word being removed from the name of the college cut in stone above the entrance to the first building of Vassar. Mrs. Finley in her life of Mrs. Hale gives a detailed and amusing account of the editorials against this use of the word, and of her correspondence with Matthew Vassar the founder, until he actually had the name changed and the stone bearing the word replaced by a plain stone. This is why, Mrs. Finley explains, there is the long blank space between "Vassar" and "College" above the entrance to the old first building.

We now come to the important time in Frances Wood's life when she felt that she had made the necessary preparations to enter the State Normal School at Albany. These preparations included not only the funds that were needed, most of which she had earned by her own efforts, but they embraced such scholastic requirements as would admit her to the senior class of the institution. This admission was by examination.

The normal school at Albany was the first one to be established in Frances' native state. It was founded in 1844, and was a part of the movement to train better teachers which accompanied the widespread interest in education of which the founding of the many academies throughout the

country was also a result. At first there was no smooth sailing for the new school. Like all forward looking improvements in education or any other field this movement had its bitter enemies. At once a deep opposition to this particular school showed itself. The newspapers ridiculed and denounced it. Politicians were against it and the legislature tried to abolish it. As the first principal, David Perkins Page did valiant work in the defense of the new school. He travelled over the state explaining the purposes of the school and the advantages to be gained for the citizens of the state by its establishment. Finally his speeches succeeded in turning the tide and at last public sentiment expressed itself in favor of the school. By 1848 when Frances was ready to enter, the young institution was in a flourishing condition.

We do not know where Cinderella had made her major preparations to enter the normal school but the two girls who were by now fast friends entered in the same class in 1848 and graduated together the following June, 1849.

Now came a period of four years of teaching for Frances about which we do not know a great deal. We are sure that those years were spent faithfully carrying out the young teacher's ideals and that they brought to her continued investigation of the lack of opportunities for higher education of women. Her determination was renewed to use her influence and efforts to help establish schools which would give to women the same chance for preparation for any profession or practical work which their brothers enjoyed.

At the end of these four years of teaching Frances showed symptoms of that dread disease "consumption," which had claimed so many of her mother's family. Not much was known then about the scientific treat-

ment of the disease, but it was generally believed that a change of climate was beneficial. This advice was given and Frances accepted it and began to consider plans for a new location. It never occurred to her that she should give up her work.

Isaac Nash had a friend and correspondent in the "new west" of Illinois. This man, named John Wilson, wrote of the deplorable lack of educational facilities in the pioneer countries, and suggested that Isaac's young sister-in-law come out and take charge of a school which a group of the pioneers were anxious to establish. This seemed to Frances the opportunity she needed. After much consultation and correspondence with the Illinois settlers, she and Miss Gregory whom she in-

duced to accompany her, decided to tackle the job.

At this time Frances was a tall, slender girl with straight dark brown hair and bright blue eyes, wide and deep set. Her face was oval and her brow broad and smooth. You would not call her a "pretty girl," but there was something very engaging in her bearing, and ready sympathy expressed in her warm smile. You instinctively felt that here was a person of extraordinary ability and energy, and moreover one whom you could trust.

Cinderella was shorter and slighter. Her hair was light brown and her eyes grey. She was very sprightly in manner, but nevertheless she felt the dignity of a school mistress and displayed it on occasion.

CHAPTER THREE — THE NEW WEST

By the year 1853 when the attention of Frances Wood and Cinderella Gregory was called to the educational needs of northwestern Illinois, that section of our country had passed through a period of very rapid development. The great Northwest Territory had been divided and sub-divided. Illinois, one of the states constructed out of this tract was made a territory in 1809 and a state in 1818. This was after a prolonged period of exploration, settlement and development. There had been much experience in learning to live with the harsh elements of nature and with the native inhabitants. The particular settlement called Mount Carroll to which Frances and Cinderella were invited to come was on the stage route from Galena, the oldest town in northern Illinois, to Peoria to the southwest by way of Dixon's Ferry. Galena had been the scene of great excitement

when, in 1824, some miners from Kentucky or Indiana, perhaps both, had discovered lead. They proceeded at once to develop mines. The next year the town was laid out and in two years more the boundaries of a whole county were made, that of Jo Daviess. With the exception of the miners and a few fur traders scattered among the hills there were no white settlers in all northern Illinois. Galena grew with amazing rapidity. Thousands of persons were attracted by the lead mining, and many remained as permanent settlers. The town is older than Chicago and for many years it was much larger than that metropolis. It is now a sleepy old village picturesquely built on the high bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River, and one of the most interesting historically in the whole state.

(To be continued in next issue)

EARLY MEMORIES RECALLED



Mrs. Louise Stapley Moscrip, '84

Mrs. Louise Stapley Moscrip, '84, of Marshalltown, Iowa, concludes her letter recalling early memories of Mt. Carroll Seminary, in the following account:

"When I look at the beautiful pictures of the buildings comprising the Frances Shimer College now I marvel at the changes that have taken place in the years since I attended Mt. Carroll Seminary as it was then called.

"We as students of the normal department felt greatly privileged to be able to attend that institution of learning.

"Music and art were specialties but the normal department answered the needs of the greater number of girls.

"Many beautiful singers were graduated in music and one that stands out most clearly in my mind was Mary A. Calkins of Wyoming, Iowa. Her interpretation was marvelous. She was soloist at the beloved Miss Joy's funeral and I know with what

depth of feeling she must have sung "O Paradise, O Paradise."

"I notice that the college now has an infirmary with all necessary assistants, another great advantage.

"Dr. Shimer, the resident physician, was consulted by the girls for any ailment they might have. Invariably he prescribed the same two medicines. In one glass was a brown solution, in another a clear one and his instruction was "Now you take a spoonful of these hour turn about." Some cases called for "half hour turn about." The girls soon named it "Turnabout."

"I notice today that many different pastimes may occupy the leisure hours of the girls. When I was there croquet was the only diversion.

"The picture at the bottom of page one in the booklet "Ninety Three Years Speak Out" shows the buildings as they were when I attended the Seminary.

"The rooms of the one to the south were heated by tiny wood stoves. Each week the girls took turns at building their fires in the morning. The other building, a newer one, was heated by a furnace and the rule was that the temperature in each room was to be no higher than 70 degrees.

"A teacher made the rounds every morning to see that that rule was rigidly kept. If not, the heat was turned off. That was a "sure cure."

"I can sense that the Frances Shimer College of today covers a wider outlook on life than was required fifty or sixty years ago; that each decade brings out some thought contingent upon the advancement of womankind. This is as it should be.

"Now with best wishes for the continued success of Frances Shimer College—

"I remain its friend,

LOUISE STAPLEY MOSCRIP."

SCATTERED FAMILY

'88

Flora Frantz Conrad has visited Frances Shimer twice in recent years and has sent a few items of interest concerning her own "scattered family." She comments in a note that her years spent at Frances Shimer have been one of her greatest assets in life, and she has always been truly appreciative of the splendid training that she received here. The following is taken from her letter:

(A condensed historical sketch of my family)

I graduated from Frances Shimer in 1888 as Flora Frantz. I taught school for a number of years, married C. M. Conrad, and moved to Burlington, Iowa. I reared and educated five children:

Frantz Conrad, graduate of Norman, Oklahoma, and now a successful practicing attorney in Oklahoma City. Is a veteran of World War I.

I am the mother of *Glenn V. Conrad*, who was the air inspector of the aeronautics branch of the U. S. Department of Commerce of Iowa. He was a first lieutenant in aviation in World War I and served during the entire war, having enlisted shortly after it started. He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Burlington and the Phi Delta Phi law fraternity. He passed away July 10, 1932, at Mason City, Iowa, at age of 32.

Max A. Conrad, like all my boys, was an expert debater, at Iowa University. He later moved to Burlington, where he is now practicing law, and for the last ten years has been mayor of the city. He recently resigned to accept the position of Secretary of the League of Iowa Municipalities, a wider field, where he can exercise his abilities on a statewide basis. He also published the League magazine.

My only daughter, *Vivian*, is married to Dr. Fortney of Viroqua, Wisconsin, and she is the editor of the Wisconsin Clubwoman, the official publication of the Wisconsin Federation of Women's Clubs.

My youngest son, *Robert*, is now practicing law in Burlington, and is helping Max with his editorial work on the magazine. He has just been mustered out of service in World War II.

Thus you see I have had a rather full life, and feel that Frances Shimer was the foundation for many of the principles I have at all times aimed to instill in my children.—**FLORA FRANTZ CONRAD.**

'94

Mary Bryant Barthell writes that she has very happy memories of her days at Frances Shimer and is still very much interested in the school although she does not recognize many of the names in the *News*. She celebrated her golden wedding anniversary on June 10 and wished that some representatives from Shimer might have been there to help with the celebration.

'95

The news of the birth of a grandson of **Clara Ferrenburg Dungan** recalls to the memory of some of the older graduates Clara's beautiful lyric soprano voice. In historical files of the college are many old musical programs which bear her name.

'02

The following is taken from a letter from **Harriet Hersey Higginson**: "You will be sorry to hear of Isabelle Cleveland Hersey's death. She was my roommate at Frances Shimer in 1901 and '02; was related, I believe, to the Campbells or Miles in Mount Carroll. She had a stroke a year ago and apparently recovered. Her son, Paul, and daughter, Virginia, lived in Medford, Oregon. She lived in Los Angeles, was married to my brother, Dexter Hersey, the day before our wedding. I played the wedding march. She and Dexter had planned all winter to visit with their children in Medford and left Los Angeles May 15th, were there only a week when she had another stroke and died suddenly. She did not suffer and I am sure if she could have chosen a place to go it

would have been there with all her family near. She was a grand wife and mother and loyal friend. I will miss her letters. She has written faithfully all these years. She has an eighty-nine year old mother living who has made her home with Isabelle and now is with her daughter, Florence, in Los Angeles. Dexter will visit us here next month, then he, my husband, and I will go east to visit my daughter, Harriett, who has a country place near Pembridge in New York, Westchester County. I am very well, keep so busy all the time. What happened to our Round Robin that you and Sarah started again? I do enjoy the *Alumnae Records*, but it is so long since I was at school there are not many names familiar. I hear from Grace Squires, Marian Hallet Jones and Ruth Deets Miller once a year at Christmas. My husband retired from business three years ago so we have time for much pleasure."

'16

Ruth Hildebrandt Fender has promised to write about the Round Robin Letter of the class of 1916. She promises to send data about all children and all war records and let the *Alumnae News* do the cutting. Ruth's husband is at Great Lakes as judge of the summary courtmartial board. Her son is still on Saipan.

'21

Priscilla Fletcher Jenkins has written a newsy letter from Milnthorpe, Westmorland, England. She writes that she and her family have enjoyed receiving the *Alumnae News*. Her three children seem to take particular pride in knowing that their mother once attended a girls' boarding school. Priscilla feels that this is an English attitude that she, as a good American, ought not to encourage. We can't resist quoting a bit from her letter: "The Jenkins boys are fourteen and

they love Latin. It is rather amusing to hear them inquire for help from me when I haven't seen the inside of a Latin Grammar for twenty years. As there are a few Roman remains in England, it makes the Latin seem more real, and there are times when we think the Romans were using good judgment to leave this Island."

'22

Charlotte Hagemann who served as an officer in the Waves during the war, spoke recently at the annual luncheon of the Chicago Area Alumnae Association of Southern Seminary, Buena Vista, Virginia.

'23

Marjorie Thompson got her Master's degree during the winter at the University of Chicago.

'24

Ruthe Wheeler Dean and her husband visited campus May 3rd for a few hours. It was her first visit to campus since her student days here. She recalled most vividly the thrill she knew being chosen head marshal to lead the graduation procession across the quadrangle as the whole marching group sang "Lead On, Oh King Eternal," a truly inspirational occasion. Ruthe's husband is the author of some thirty published books for boys, two of which have been the choices of the Junior Literary Guild. He is the publisher of Reno Newspapers, Inc., and the Western Horseman, a monthly magazine for horse lovers. Ruthe's daughter, Betsy Wheeler Dean, is just 16 and Ruthe hopes that she can have the Shimer experience which was her own privilege to enjoy. Her address is Mrs. Graham M. Dean, Greenfield Acres, Reno, Nevada.

'25

Helen Fields Zeeman is living in Towson, Maryland. She has one daughter.

'27

Helen Gaggin writes of coming to Shimer from Pittsburgh with Edith Warner. She roomed in West Hall with Myra Jocelyn and took first year college Latin. On leaving Shimer, she graduated from Lake Erie College and worked as laboratory technician in a hospital for 13 years. For the last year she has been at the University of Pittsburgh working in the Biology Department on a Tropicalization Research Program for Dr. Peter Gray. She has applied for admission to the Quartermaster Food and Container Institute to be held at Northwestern University and Chicago Institute this summer.

Dorothy Jane Hill Moore in addition to the baby, Justin, has two children, Thomas, four years old and Mary Frances, one and one-half years old.

Born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Perry Aument, a son, Daniel Newton, on March 30. The baby's paternal great grandmother was Sophie Shirk Perry, a student at Frances Shimer in the earliest years of the school. She may be remembered in later life as living in Sterling, by some of our older alumnae. Her granddaughter, **Sophy Perry Stone**, graduated from Frances Shimer in 1927. She is married to Captain Lowell Stone of the U. S. Navy and lives in Salt Lake City. She has two sons, William and Perry.

'30

Doris Bragg had a visit with Helen Hults last fall in Chicago.

'31

Lucile Wilbern McMullen is dietitian for Quantity Recipe Development at Swift and Company research laboratory, Chicago, Illinois.

'32

Ruth Richardson Clark is director of Consumer Research of the American Institute of Baking at Evanston, Illinois. Her husband was killed during the war.

Marjorie Sherman Burrall moved into a new home in Lombard, Illinois, last July and is thoroughly enjoying that community. Her two daughters, Suzanne and Peggy, are registered on the Cradle Roll at Shimer's Chicago office.

'33

Mary Waring is to teach next year in Honolulu T. H.

'34

Marion Kelly Williams is now permanently located with her husband in Fort Worth, Texas.

Dorine Goldberg, lieutenant in the WAC, is now with the occupation forces in Frankfort, Germany.

'35

Dorothy Smythe Swanson is joining her husband in Korea and is planning to leave about the middle of July.

'36

Harriet Plous Mervis has written of her lovely new home, Honeymead, in Barrington, Illinois. The new home is across the road from the farm of her husband's parents. She has one son, Mike, three and one-half years old who is "a red headed dynamo who keeps us amused and amazed." She writes that she would like about four more red headed boys and just one girl so that she can go to Shimer.

Marelene Hostetter Coxe is laboratory technician at Billings Hospital in Chicago.

Nancy Boldenweck Mertz graduated from Bradford Junior College after leaving Shimer and studied art

at the Boston Museum School and School of the Chicago Art Institute. She served as a lieutenant in the Waves during the war. After a wedding trip in the east, she and her husband plan to live in California.

'38

Alice Zier Pope has two boys and a girl and is living near Polo, Illinois.

Blanche Freeman Jones is now living in Dixon, Illinois, and is planning to teach school again next year.

Ann Orvis Cubbon is at last settled with her two boys and husband in her home at 15138 Myrtle Avenue, Harvey, Illinois.

Suzanne Decker Erdman and her dentist husband are moving to Decatur, Illinois. Dr. Erdman plans to start his practice there.

'39

Mary Catherine Nelson Johnson is moving to Washington, D. C., to join her husband who is teaching at Annapolis Naval School.

'40

Ellen Francke Irwin graduated from Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa, after leaving Frances Shimer. During the past year she has served as instructor in English in the Lincoln School in Savanna. Prior to that she was employed in a publishing business in Chicago. Mr. Irwin is in the employ of Crum and Forster Insurance Company in Freeport. They will reside at 925 South Carroll Avenue, Freeport, Illinois.

Jeanne Sundine was Moline ticket chairman for the Cotton Ball on June 1 at the LeClaire Hotel. The ball was given by the Junior Board of the Tri-Cities Symphony Orchestra Ass'n.

Madelyn Bruns graduated June 4 from Nurses Training at the Women's and Children's Hospital in Chicago.

'41

Josephine Harriman Smith is now working for Lloyd Hollister, Inc., which publishes the Wilmette Life, the Winnetka Talk and the Glencoe News. Her home is at 51 East Elm, Chicago.

Rosamond Rosholt Capps and her husband are living one block from the hospital where her husband is interning. She enjoys keeping house in their five-room apartment and her husband has not yet complained about her meals, so she writes. Her present address is 728 Irving Avenue, Vrooman Apartments, Syracuse, N. Y.

Vernetta Homedew Davidson has been employed for several years as bookkeeper at the Savanna Savings Building and Loan Association. Her husband is employed by the Milwaukee Railroad in Savanna.

'42

After a month's honeymoon in the east, **Frances Holmgren Kloft** and her husband have been living in Dayton, Ohio. Her husband is now out of the service and they have been fortunate in finding an attractive furnished home in Dayton. Frances graduated from Northwestern University in December with a major in History.

Since the last news item concerning **June Thomsen Jetter** was included in the *Alumnae News*, June has returned to Iowa, and since her marriage on December 22, she has been living in Maquoketa and acting as a housewife although she plans to return to her teaching position next fall.

Gloria Gordon Stein and her husband, Lt. David Stein, were killed in an automobile accident in California, November, 1945.

Judith Ritenour French graduated from Katherine Gibbs School of Chi-

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