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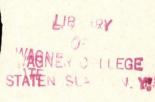
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Random Reflections

WE CAN'T LOOK BACK on 1953 without feeling very happy about the large number of alumni who participated in alumni activities. More than 165 were Fund solicitors, more than 1000 contributed in the Fund campaign. It is possible that Wagner may be among the top ten colleges in the country for percentage of alumni contributing to the Alumni Fund.

What makes us happiest about all this is that it reflects a real interest in Alma Mater. It reveals an alumni body that is loyal and strong, and gives us real encouragement in development of the Wagner future.

Alumni contributions to Wagner College last year were the equivalent of almost \$175,000 in college endowment. They made it possible for three students to attend college, helped to reduce the college indebtedness on the two new buildings, purchased equipment for the college that the regular budget could not supply, and completely underwrote the expense of The Link and other alumni mailings. It was indeed a good year!

Other things in 1953 to be happy about include the fine Homecoming program and the large number of alumni who came back, the development of an Alumni Advisory Council, the devoted service of President Les Trautmann and the members of the Executive committee; the fine work of our office secretary, Vivian Lamby; the improvement in The Link and George Tamke's wonderful assistance with the magazine; and the beginnings of an alumni indoctrination program for the current student body.

WHAT THEN LIES AHEAD? First, the strengthening of our strong points Ernie Kiefer, 1954 Fund chairman, and I are going to Dartmouth on Dec. 16 to study the Dartmouth Alumni Fund. Since this Fund regularly is tops in the nation for alumni participation (about 65%), we figure to get many good ideas.

On January 7-8-9 District 11 of the American Council meets in Atlantic City. The Executive committee has recommended the attendance of two delegates. A special committee has been appointed to study our chapter program with the hope of offering more direction to our chapter officers and to make all clubs more active.

Another committee is studying the spring reunion in the hopes of making this an event which will bring back as many alumni as Homecoming. In our office, we are hoping to create better alumni files, to track down all those lost alumni, and to provide better service to our alumni body.

One hope will not be realized in 1954 but it is one which is not too many years away, we hope—that is, the day when Director of Alumni Relations can separate himself completely from general college public relations and be exclusively an alumnor. AL KRAHMER

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When One Dollar Gets You Twenty Five

By ERNEST C. KIEFER

THE WAGNER ALUMNI PLAN to give the college more than \$212,500 via their Loyalty Fund this year.

And the big push for contributions will be in a two week period, from Feb. 7 through Feb. 21.

Startle you? Where do we get that kind of money? Why are we doing it?

It's not as fantastic as it sounds. But it's exciting. It can be achieved by meeting four goals — four goals that mean alumni will have to contribute only \$8500 during 1954.

Heres the breakdown:

Goal A: Four scholarships totaling \$1600.

Goal B: The sixth and final \$1000 payment for the Alumni Lobby in the beautiful new gym.

Goal C: \$2,500 to the college treasury to repay, in part, expenses in promoting alumni relations, including the publication of our easy-reading, informative Link.

Goal D: \$2,900 to meet specific college needs. The needs to be met will be selected by the alumni from a list submitted by the college.

These four goals add up to only \$8,500, the Loyalty Fund Target this year. But they are worth the equivalent of one year's interest on \$212,500 in endowment funds to the college.

We think it can be done easily. Consider the way we've grown in the last five years.

In 1948, the Loyalty Fund had only 205 contributors for a total of \$1,378.

Growth was steady until 1952 when it spurted. There were 556 contributors for a net of \$4,300. Then it leaped in '53—to more than 1,000 contributors giving \$6,700.

Our membership rolls will allow us to leap again, if each of us participates.

We think everyone will. None of us has to be a business major to know that, when every dollar given is worth \$25, it's a good, sound investment!

The first three goals on our list are budgetary commitments. The fourth is a moral and worthwhile obligation. We'll have the college's list of specific needs in the campaign pamphlet which will reach you later this month.

On the list might be a public address system for the gymnasium, assistance to the Student Union campaign, special equipment for one of the departments, books for the library, etc.

At its annual meeting on May 29, the Alumni Association will choose the ones to be given its support.

This kind of flexibility is desirable because some of the needs listed may be met from other sources before alumni funds are available this spring.

For the past two years our campaign has been in April. It has been moved up to February in order that the alumni office may send ballots to contributing members on April 29, a constitutional requirement.

Why a specific time? Aren't con-

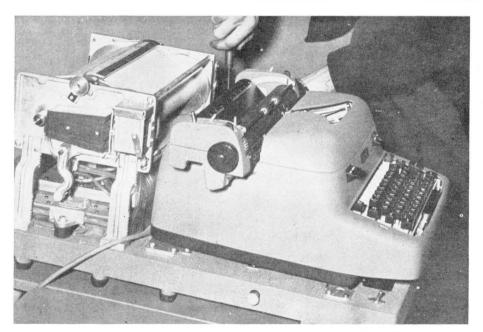
tributions welcome at any time in the year? Of course, but we think it well to have one time in the year when we emphasize alumni giving. We hope that we can ask the alumni for financial support *once* and then concentrate on other phases of our alumni program.

To start the ball rolling, all solicitors in the metropolitan area will meet at the college on February 6 for a kick-off dinner. Next day the door-to-door campaign begins.

Because of the tremendous success of the personal solicitation part of the 1953 campaign (85% of those who answered the knock on their door in New York, New Jersey, Rochester, Long Island, Washington, and Philadelphia contributed) that we are extending this phase of our drive in 1954.

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ERNEST C. Kiefer, class of 1950, is general chairman of the 1954 Loyalty Fund. He is business manager for Tech Products, Inc., Staten Island.



The new robot typer being installed at Wagner. This machine which will reproduce any number of individually typed letters from a master roll was given to the college by the alumni in 1953. It is typical of the kind of gift Goal D can make possible—equipment which the school needs not provided for in the regular budget. (Photo by Terry Valentiner)







Photo 1. by John Padula; 2. and 3. by Padula for the S. I. Advance; 4. and 5. by Terry Valentiner.





THE SEAHAWKS **FLY HOME**

WAGNER'S RECORD of six straight Homecoming wins came to an end on October 31, but it was a great weekend anyway.

It began Friday night with a torch-light parade around the campus led by the Wagner Band, directed by Charley Roberts '49. The parade led the students to West campus where the Pep Rally was held.

Neil Leonard '52, co-captain last year and Wagner's only 1000 yard gainer was M.C. and Jim Lee Howell and Bunny Barbes, the football

coaches were the speakers.

After the rally, the band led a parade to the Ad Building where the Queen was crowned by President Delo. The 1953 Queen was Miss Lois Sundt, a junior. Her attendants were Jane Reckmeyer and Wanda Schweizer.

On Saturday alumni began to appear on the campus shortly after noon. They gathered in the Co-ed lounge which had been turned over to their use.

At 1:00 a thirteen float parade proceeded from West campus on to the playing field. Alpha Delta Pi won first prize for the second year in a row, with Delta Nu second, and Alpha Omicron Pi third.

The game was a heart-breaker. Ursinus won 14-6, but the Seahawks played well, making 16 first downs to the visitors 9, outrushing them 141 yards to 94, and outgaining them 140 to 77 in passing offense.

The James Robb Memorial trophy, awarded by Alpha Sigma Phi, to the Homecoming game's outstanding player was won by co-captain Mark Wiesner, tackle and one of the real iron men on the squad.

At the dance, which attracted a packed house in the gym, Alumni President Les Trautmann presented a cup to Queen Lois. The cup was given by Delta Nu.

The queen presented the float prizes, and William Heil, representing Alpha Sigma Phi, presented the Robb trophy to Wiesner. Manfred Lichtmann, president of the Student Association, was master of cermonies.

COUNTERCLOCKWISE: A kiss for Robin Hood (Julius Horai). President Lelo crowns Queen Lois. Alpha Delta Pi's prize winning float. Ferdie Weidner '34 and Mrs. Weidner being served at the reception after the game. Mark Wiesner, Robb trophy winner.

The Odyssey of a Dean

By GEORGE R. F. TAMKE

JUST THIRTY YEARS AGO last November the infamous "beer-hall putsch" occurred in Munich. Though not actually successful, it was Adolf Hitler's first serious bid for power with his National Socialist party in Germany. It set the stage for further activities which swept the demagogue into control of that unfortunate country.

In the same city of Munich in the same year of 1923 another Adolphcompleted his Chemical Engineering studies at the Technical University and was awarded the Diplom-Ingenieur (Ch. E.). Adolph John Stern, born in Nürnberg on February 12, 1900, had seen two years' service in World War I and promptly thereafter begun his scientific education. He stayed on in Munich through the turbulent days of Hitler's early efforts, working in Organic Chemistry with Hans Fischer. In 1925 Stern won his Dr. Ing. degree (Doctor of Engineering in Organic Chemistry) and became for several years Fischer's assistant. Together they conducted research on the synthesis of hemin, which led to the latter's winning of the Nobel Prize in 1930. After serving in supervisory research posts in Arosa, Switzerland and the Research Laboratory Montanwerke "Walter", Düsseldorf, Rhein, Dr. Stern returned to study Physical Chemistry with Professor K. Fajans at the University of Munich. In 1933 he finished his work at Hans Fischer's Institute for the Dr. Habil. degree in Physical Organic Chemistry and Habilitation, and published his paper on The Thermochemistry of Pyrole Derivatives. He was named Privatdozent for Physical Chemistry and, two years later, Dozent (a.o. Professor). During this period, Fischer and Stern began their intensive studies of chlorophyll.

These were compelling days in Germany. Adolph Hitler had by now established his bloody regime; Adolph Stern, the successful young lecturer and research chemist, had met a girl and fallen in love.

Defying the Nazis by refusing to join the party, Stern calmly courted Margaret Cherbel, who was then working in Geneva, Switzerland, and laid careful plans for their flight into the safer, outside world. Once every month for four years he boarded Adolph Stern and Margaret Cherbel were married in London, England about a month later and spent their honeymoon in Paris. They had transatlantic passage booked for March 24 but Hitler marched into Austria on March 21. The following day they left on the next available steamer, the *Paris*.



Dr. and Mrs. Adolph J. Stern in their Staten Island home.

the Friday night express for the twelve hour trip to Geneva, returning Sunday night for the next day's lectures. Government officials found it difficult to believe that these across-the-border weekends on the part of a political dissenter were strictly social and the couple were soon under suspicion and surveillance.

During a brief business jaunt to the Eastman Kodak plant at Rochester, New York, Dr. Stern had already decided that America was the place for him. To actually immigrate here from a nation about to enter inevitable war was quite another matter. On January 10, 1938 he quietly left Munich once more, this time taking a devious route through Yugoslavia to Switzerland. There he secured permission to leave Europe. In New York, while getting acquainted with his adopted country, Stern finished work on his book with Hans Fischer. This volume, *Die Chemie des Pyrrols*, was published in 1940 by the Akademische Verlagsgesellschaft, M.B.H., Leipzig, and is still the standard work on chlorophyll.

Midsummer found the Stern's on their way westward, where the future Dean of Wagner College took a position with the Children's Foun-

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George R. F. Tamke, Class of 1948, is editor of the Livingston Publishing Company and sculptor of the Sutter bronze which was unveiled at the College in December.

SPORT NOTES

By FRED H. OLSON

RECORDS ARE MADE to be broken, but when Bob (Sonny) Bosley completed his fourth season of varsity basketball last year all of his high marks seemed to be beyond the reach of anyone on the Seahawk five - at least for a couple of years.

Before three games of the 1953-1954 schedule were recorded as three victories, one of Bosley's records was broken, another threatened and Charlie Harreus' rebound mark of 23 was missed by a single retrieve. Although it was a team effort that made these things possible, it was one man in one game who accomplished them all, Ed Peterson.

The six-foot, two-inch sophomore from Brooklyn scored 34 points against Stevens Institute as the Seahawks downed the Engineers 75-58 after a hard fought first half. Pete, as he is called by most of the students on the campus, had 32 points going into the final period and it was only extreme fatigue that kept him from toppling Bosley's single game scoring record of 37.

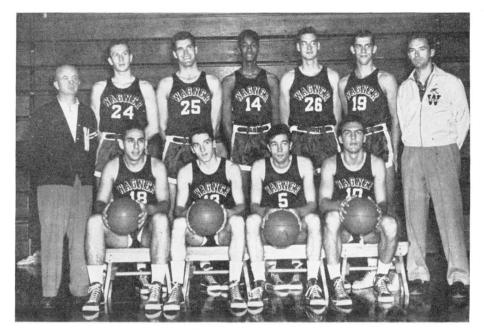
He's not just a shooting fool either, making 16 of his 22 shots count - an amazing 72.7 percentage. The 16 field goals bettered Bosley's all-time high set last year by one. If the Brooklyn bomber had taken an average number of foul shots (he made two of four attempts) he would have surpassed Bosley's 37 points record with ease.

Perhaps the underlying reason for his fourth quarter letdown was because of the fine team game he had played. Ed took 22 rebounds off the backboard, one short of Harreus' record.

The three games completed at this writing add up to a perfect 3-0 record. The Green and White squad has beaten Pratt (85-58), Roanoke (60-57) and Stevens.

The honeymoon ended with the Stevens game, however, and from here on out it's going to be rough sledding. Among the first rate opponents on the remainder of the schedule are Manhattan, St. John's, C.C.N.Y., West Point, Connecticut and Fordham. Another team which will give the Hawks trouble is Ohio Wesleyan, runner-up in the 14-team Ohio Conference last

Fred H. Olsen is Director of Athletic Publicity at Wagner.



The 1953-54 basketball squad. Standing, left to right—coach Herb Sutter, Ed Peterson, Gus Merkel, Lonny West, Charlie Harreus, Bob Morris, Mgr. Charlie Grod. Seated—Charles Domke, Co-captains Don Briggs and Lionel Rotelli, Carl Borchers. (Photo by Terry Valentiner)

season. Win, lose or draw, this game will be quite an experience for the Wagner partisans for they will have the option of watching it in the gymnasium, or at home in their living rooms over television station WPIX.

Coach Herb Sutter does have the personnel to finish the season with a

creditable record. The bench, as usual, isn't as strong as it should be, but there is a strong nucleus of players around whom a powerful force can be built.

The starting five, in addition to Peterson, are Co-captains Lionel Rotelli and Don Briggs, Charlie Harreus



Winning basketball teams are not new at Wagner. Here is the squad of 1908-03 which lost but one game. Standing, left to right—Fred Vogt, William Meyer, Walter Grunow, Robert Ischinger, William Arnold. Seated—Richard Hopf, Capt. Arnold Keller, and Charles Hulsberg. The photo was furnished by Keller, who is today the Rev. Dr. Arnold Keller, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran church, Utica, N.Y.

and Gus Merkel. They have received adequate support from Carl Borchers, Charlie Domke and Charles (Lonny) West. Lonny is the only freshman on the squad and next year we will hear a lot more about this son of alumnus Paul West ('25).

Each of the starters is averaging over, or close to, ten points a game. Peterson is on top with 21 followed

by Rotelli at 15.

What the remainder of the season holds for the Wagner squad is anybody's guess. The club has real moments of greatness when the shooting, passing and rebounding are what they should be. Unfortunately, this has happened only occasionally. With about twenty games still to be played, and the team improving with each outing, we could have a very successful year.

Football

The final "small college" statistics released by the National Collegiate Athletic Association last month on the 1953 football season revealed that Wagner placed twelfth in the nation in pass defense by holding its football foes passing attack to 51.5

yards a game.

This is a bit of a comedown from the year before when we had Neil Leonard among the rushing leaders and Jack Love near the top of the passers. However, it must be a source of satisfaction to Coach Jim Lee Howell to know that only eleven teams among hundreds of colleges listed in the small college ranks had a better pass defense record. The Seahawk eleven had always been notoriously deficient when it came to knocking the opposition's aerials from the air.

Almost three months of practice and playing yielding two victories, four losses and what amounted to a sleighride to Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

After defeating Hamilton and Brooklyn, and losing to Haverford, Kings Point and Ursinus, the team boarded a bus for Susquehanna one Friday afternoon anticipating a game that would be the record's equalizer at that point. Before the door was closed the snow started to fall, and as the bus plowed through New Jersey it was evident that the six o'clock supper waiting for the team at the hotel would have to be delayed.

With cars stalled everywhere along the road, the bus driver came through with one of the best offenses seen all season. After more than (continued on page 10)

ALUMNI HOME-COMING FEB. 27

The game with St. Peter's on Feb. 27 has been designated as Alumni Homecoming basketball game this year. It should be one of the top games on our schedule as the Peacocks from Jersey City look very good.

Staten Island's St. Peter's Alumni club annually awards a trophy to the most valuable player on either

team in this game.

Since this is the final game of the season, Delta Nu will also present a cup. Their award, also an annual one, goes to the Wagner player chosen as most valuable during the entire season. It was won last year by Robert (Sonny) Bosley.

HATS OFF

. . . to Bob Somach '50. Bob is a teacher at Thomas Jefferson High School in Elizabeth, N. J. Last year Bob brought a group of 12 students from Jefferson and its neighboring high school for girls, Battin, to the Wagner campus. Three of the 12 are now Wagner freshmen. Bob will bring another group in February.

. . . to Elisha (IGGY) Darson '48, teacher in Bay Shore (L. I.) High School. Iggy arranged for a bus load of thirty high school seniors from that area to visit the Wagner campus.

Moving? Don't fail to notify the alumni office of your new address!



Dr. Frederic Sutter, Wagner Board president for 35 years; Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, Wittenberg College president; Miss Joan Sutter, Dr. Sutter's grand-daughter. This photo was taken at the unveiling of the Sutter Commemoration Bronze, sculped by George Tamke '48, and presented to the College by friends in the community on December 15.

NOMINATING PROCEDURE

The 1954 Nominating committee of the Alumni Association will meet soon to draw up a slate of nominees for this year's election. Ballots must be mailed out to all voting members by April 29, one month before the annual meeting.

Nominations must be made President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and one member of the Board of Trustees, Board of Athletic Control, and College Council.

Nominations for these offices may also be made by mail. Any such

nominating petitions must reach the alumni office before March 1, must be accompanied by the signatures of at least five voting members of the Association and the written consent of the person nominated.

The name of any person so nominated (providing he is eligible for the office) must appear on the ballot.

Eligibles are voting members of the Association. The President, Vicepresident, and Secretary are eligible for no more than two consecutive terms in the same office. The same limitation is placed on an alumni representative to the Board of Trustees.

Alumni News Briefs

ALFRED V. DANIELSON, class of 1941, has been appointed Division Commercial Manager at Chicago for the Long Lines department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. He will manage all commercial activities for this company in the states of Illinois and Wisconsin.

Alf joined the Bell System as District Traffic Supervisor in March, 1946, soon after being placed on inactive duty by the Army Air Force. He worked in the Accounting and Commercial departments in the New York headquarters of Long Lines before being appointed Commercial Manager at Dallas in 1950. From there he transferred to New York



as an engineer in the Commercial Section of the Operating and Engineering department, the position he held at the time of his most recent promotion.

Danielson entered the Army in 1942 and served as pilot in the Pacific Theatre with the Army Air Force Fighter Squadrons, attaining the rank of captain.

A resident of Staten Island when he entered Wagner, Alf was a prominent student leader. He was president of the Student Body and of the freshman class. He served on the Student Council for three years and was an active member of the business staffs of both Warnerian and Kallista.

He is married to the former Jean Van Winkle, class of 1943. The Danielsons live in Park Ridge, Ill.

1893

The Rev. Henry C. Erbs received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Hartwick College in November. Erbes has been pastor of Trinity Lutheran church in Rochester, N.Y. for 55 years.

1911

The Rev. Herman J. Vesper has accepted a call to St. Pauls Lutheran church, Terryville, Conn., effective Jan. 1. He had been pastor in Red Hook, N. Y. for many years.

1932

JOHN PETERSON is chief consultant of the Health Division of the Health and Welfare Council of Philadelphia.

1933

ALLAN MILLER has been appointed confidential secretary to Dr. Andrew G. Clauson. president of the Board of Education of the City of New York.

1935

Dr. Norman L. Freilich spoke on "X-rays of Your Child's Teeth" over radio station WNYC on Nov. 24. It was part of a series of radio talks under the auspices of Oral Hygiene Committee of Greater New York.

The Rev. Dr. Heinrich Suhr brought greetings over the "Voice of America" to a gathering of 27,000 Germans celebrating German Evangelical Church Day this sum mer.

1936

The Rev. Robert Pouttger, former wing chaplain at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, became pastor of St. Lukes Lutheran Church, Youngstown, Ohio, on Nov. 8. Pastor and Mrs. Boettger have two sons, David, aged 9 and Donald, born last August.

1940

ADELAIDE BAUM, periodicals librarian at Long Island University, has been promted to the rank of assistant professor.

1941

Dr. Albert B. Accettola has been made a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Accettola is an associate in Staten Island Hospital, attending in orthopedic surgery.

1943

The Rev. Henry Cornish, pastor of Christ Lutheran church, Great Kills, has been elected secretary of the New York conference of the United Lutheran Synod of New York and New England. Pastor and Mrs. Cornish and their daughter, Candace, expect to move into a new parsonage soon. The house is next to the new church dedicated last spring.

Dr. Joseph Perosi has re-opened his office in Port Richmond, S. I., after 17 months as an Air Force dental officer.

1944

ELEANOR AYOUB has been appointed librarian of the West New Brighton Branch of the Staten Island library system. . . . The

Rev. Matthew Thies has resigned his congregation in Newark, N. J. to do graduate study at Princeton Seminary. . . . Under construction now is a new church and parish building for Trinity Lutheran church, West Sand Lake, N. Y. The corner-stone was laid Oct. 18. The Rev. Edward Wiediger is pastor. The new building will replace one destroyed by fire.

1945

Louise Christiansen was honored this fall upon completion of 25 years as a physical therapist with the Staten Island Visiting Nurse Association.

1946

The Rev. Donald Bautz, executive secy. of the Bay City (Mich.) Council of Churches, represented Wagner at the inauguration of Dr. Clarence B. Hilberry as president of Wayne University.

1949

Walter Erdman is now living in Newark, N. J. He is employed by Merchant Calculators as a salesman....Paul Hoffman was a member of the mid-year graduation class of the Philadelphia Lutheran Seminary. The graduation took place Jan. 18.

1950

THOMAS DARSON performed as soloist in a piano concert at the Staten Island Museum in December. Tommy expects to make his Town Hall concert debut in the fall. Meanwhile he has concerts scheduled for Ridgewood, N. J., Troy, N.Y., and Hartford, Conn. as well as radio concerts over WFUV and WNYC.

1951

ED RUDINGER, in his third year at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, has just been awarded a \$400 scholarship from the school. Winning scholarships is nothing new for Ed, who held one of the Alumni Association Scholarships while at Wagner.

RAY ADAMS is with Arthur Young and Co., auditors and accountants, Manhattan.....RICHARD BALLER, discharged from military service, is teaching at P.S. 36, S. I. WALLACE KEMP was graduated from the Philadelphia Lutheran Seminary with the B.D. degree on January 18.

1952

Charles Huppert is a bacteriologist with the Nassau County Dept. of Health, Hempstead, L. I. Chuck received his M.S. from Lehigh last June. . . .Lt. Bill Roehrich (infantry) is on duty in Korea. . . . for Air Force Lt. Fritz Schneider it's Okinawa.

1953

ANNE BIASE is teaching in Raritan Township, N.J. . . . CHARLES CLAUS is at Gettysburg Seminary. . . . HERBERT BRAU is at N.Y.U. Dental School. . . . LIONEL MARKS is at Brooklyn Law School. . . . Pfc. Daniel Driscoll is assistant editor of the Cavalier, the weekly newspaper of the First Calvary Division in Japan. . . .

MYRON DEUTSCH, GLORGE SANDER, WIL-LIAM HARDEN, and ROBERT OLSON were graduated in November from the Navy Officer Candidate School, Newport, R.I., with com-

missions as ensigns.

Nursing School

JANE MARSDEN '52N is head nurse at the Gettysburg College infirmary. Jane spent the summer on a ten week visit to Europe. . . .

JEAN FAIST '52N is assistant instructor in sciences in the Nursing School of Genesee Hospital in Rochester, N.Y. She's also studying for the Master's degree in Nursing Education at the University of Rochester.

Former Students

WALTER BARTH presented four books on bee-keeping to the Wagner library. . .Toni HALLERAN, daughter of Paul Halleran, was in the cast of the Kraft Theatre show over the ABC television network on Nov. 19. She and her sister are both dramatic actresses.

Summer Grads

Seventeen students completed work for the bachelor's degree during the summer session. Eight will receive B.A. degrees. They are RICHARD BLACKHAM, ARTHUR BROWNE, ANTHONY FRANZA, DAVID HALTUNNEN, ROBERT McNamara, Paula Maserati, Richard Pankow, and Nicholas Santoro.

Blackham is a probationary patrolman in the New York City Police department, Browne is teaching voice in the school of Smithtown Branch, L.I. Franza is an air cadet at Lackland Air Force Base, Waco, Texas. The Rev. David Haltunnen is pastor of a church in Ashtabula, Ohio. Pankow is a student at the Philadelphia Lutheran Seminary, and Santoro, a night school student, is an instructor for the Department of Water Supply, Gas, and Electricity of the City of New York.

Nine students will receive B.s. degrees. They are headed by EDDA MARDER, Who will receive the degree magna cum laude. She had been working in a nospital laboratory in Miami, Fla. until recently. The other B.S. candidates are LUCILLE BROWN MAYES, ROLF JACOBSEN, THEODORE LOW, RALPH MAFFEO, JEAN PILLET, MARVIN KABBINER, CARL SCIOR-TINO, and FRED WINKOCK.

Lucine Brown, who became Mrs. Frank Hayes in september, is teaching school in Cheverly, Ma. Low is now studying at New York University for a C.P.A. nicense. Scioitino is continuing his studies at wagner for the master's degree. Winrock is a marine Corps Lieutenant stationed at Quantico, Va.

Graduate School

Ten students completed work for graduate degrees in summer school. Nine are candidates for the M.S. In Education, the other for the Master of Arts.

The M.A. will be awarded to Philip JOHNSON '50, who is now instructor in political science at Gettysburg College.

The M.S. in Ed. candidates are JEAN MARIE ANDERSON, BEATRICE ARNOLD, SHEILA



Seven current Wagner students are children of alumni. They are, left to right. Top row-William Heil '55, Lawrence R. Gollnick '56, Charles A. West Edward Eberbach '56; Lower row-Joanne Flotten '56, Dagmar Kreider '56, and Lois Erdmann '55. Their parents, all ministers, are William Heil '29, Frank Gollnick '30, Paul West '25, Werner Eberbach '30, Joseph Flotten '26, Harry Kreider '21, and the late Theodore Erdmann '27.

(Photo by Terry Valentiner)

ARONS, ALFRED BIRKELUND, FRED BROCKMANN, PETER D'ARRIGO, SPIROS LANTZOUNIS, RHODA PORTOR, and JOAN SWEENEY.

Miss Anderson, a graduate of Hunter, is teaching in Somerville, N.J. Mrs. Arnold, the wife of the Rev. Dr. Paul Arnold '33, is a graduate of Hartwick College and is teaching at Friends Seminary, Manhattan. Miss Arons is a graduate of Houghton College.

Birkelund is a Wagner alumnus, class of 1952. Fred Brockmann '52 is waiting a call to military service. Peter D'Arrigo '51 is a teacher in Raritan township, N. J. Lantzounis is a Hartwick College graduate. Mrs Porter, a graduate of Hunter College, is the wife of Frank W. Porter '48. Joan Sweeney '52 is another of the many Wagner graduates in the Raritan Township (N.J.) School system.



A son, Karl Christian to Dr. and Mrs. SIEGFRIED DIETRICH '39, May 18, 1953.

A daughter, Deborah Denise, to Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM SCHROETER JR. '51, June 13, 1953.

A daughter, Elizabeth Susan, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Laucella '49, July 8, 1953.

A daughter, Pamela, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Hill (GLADYS LAMMOND '48), September 6, 1953.

A son, Mark, to Mr. and Mrs. THADDEUS J. Winslow '50, September 11, 1953.

A son, Edward, to HERMAN '43 and RUTH Tamke Fersch '46, September 25, 1953.

A daughter, Sandra Lee to Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT W. STEVENSON, JR., September 27, 1953.

A son, Jonathan Lee to Edward '50 and GENE MIDGETT MERGERIAN '50, September 29,

A daughter Deborah Anne, to the Rev. and Mrs. James Taylor (LILLIAN POTTBERG '40), October 1, 1953.

A daughter, Paula Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Artaserse (Florence Hardie '49N), October 2, 1953.

A daughter Donna Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. DONALD OSPENSON '53, October 2, 1953.

A son, Herbert Erick, to Dr. and Mrs. HERBERT J. FLAMM, October 11, 1953.

A daughter, Linda Marie to Dr. and Mrs. J. Trygve Jensen '43, October 21, 1953.

A son, Andrew Walker to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew M. Macrae Jr. '52, October 25, 1953,

A son, Edward Daniel, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ferenczy (ELEANOR KNUDSON '45), October 27, 1953.

A daughter, Mary Jane to the Rev. and Mrs. Eugene H. Roth '44, October 28, 1953.

A son, Thomas Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bartman, (RUTH EIDT '44), November 8, 1953.

A son, Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Belfer (Elinor Renfield '50), November 11, 1953.

A son, Mark Allen, to Capt. and Mrs. Allen Peters (Joan Spear), November 11,

A son, Thomas Frederick, to Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL CERICOLA, November 14, 1953.

A daughter, Cynthia Grey, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith '41, November 15, 1953.

A son, Robert Gordon, to Mr. and Mrs. HERBERT BRAU '53, November 27, 1953.

A daughter, Camille Pia, to Dr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Cerasoli '40, November 26, 1953.

A daughter, Lynn Louise, to Ensign and Mrs. Frederick W. Norton, Jr. '52, Nov. 27,

A son, Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. STEPHEN J. Kost '42, Dec. 1, 1953.



HARRY G. DAWSON and JEAN MILES '51, June 20, 1953.

CLAR' NCE SCHNEIDER '53 and WANDA PROKOBY '53, August 29, 1953.

The Rev. Robert Mohr and JANET LAU-

terbach, September 5, 1953.

ROBERT NEILSSEN '53 and Evelyn Peter-son, September 12, 1953.

WILLIAM J. KANE and Joan Kearney, September 19, 1953.

THOMAS M. GUASTAVINO '49 and Yolanda

Mazza, September 27, 1953. J. HENRY BACHLER '36 and Marjorie

Dolliver, October 3, 1953. John Anderson and Peggy Fierro, Octo-

ber 9, 1953. Henry L. Le Sueur, Jr. and Alice C.

STEAD '51, October 31, 1953. ALISTAIR M. FORMAN, JR. '50 and Patricia D. Knudsen, October 31, 1953.

LOUIS F. DENTE, JR. and Lucy G. Socci,

October 31, 1953. Gene Curtis Dobbe and JEAN C. SMITH,

November 12, 1953. Francis X. De Marzio '50 and Elizabeth

Erkman, November 21, 1953.

FREDERICK HEIMRICK '50 and Linnea Hansson, November 21, 1953.

The Rev. WILLIAM GEIGER, '03 died November 30, 1953 at the age of

A NEW ADVISORY COUNCIL

President Les Trautmann of the Alumni Association has long felt that the Executive committee needed to have the benefit of a wider variety of alumni opinion than was normally coming its way.

Accordingly he has created an Advisory Council representing the geographical areas near the college, as well as certain professional groups.

The new group will meet with the Executive committee and offer suggestions on the alumni program.

Members of this Advisory Council are The Rev. Carl Sutter '29, ERNST RITTERSHAUSEN '37, HENRY Endress '35, Howard Braren '50, ELEANOR AYOUB '44, WILLARD GRIMES '40, John Thomson '49, Tom Russo '49, Dick Doremus '50, Doris Dore-MUS '51, LEE LANDES '52, PHYLLIS RECHEL RUSSO '52N, and FRANK Betancourt '41.

The first meeting of the group was held on Dec. 1 and provided many fine ideas.

Chapter Activities

Chapter activity has been on the meager side this fall, but plans are being made in almost every area for action early in 1954.

Rochester

The Rochester chapter met in the YMCA in that city on November 5 with 18 present. President Delo and Al Krahmer were the speakers. Chapter President John Kirsch pre-

The chapter voted to sponsor a concert of the Wagner College Choir in Rochester on its 1954 tour. The new officers electd are Alvin Messersmith, president; Elmore Hoppe, vice-president; and Jean Faist, secretary-treasurer.

Nursing School Alumnae

The Nursing Alumnae chapter presented two gifts on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Nursing School. They were a clock for the Nursing office and \$50 to the college library for the purchase of nursing books.

Elected to office at a meeting on Sept. 29 were Mrs. Phyllis Russo, pres.; Lee Blaine, vice-pres.; Judith Russell, recording secretary; Mary Ann Nelson, corresponding secy.; Anne Mullaly, treasurer; and Mary Spinelli, representative to the Advisory Coun-

The chapter held a dinner meeting on Dec. 1.

Staten Island

The Staten Island chapter will meet at the college on Friday, January 22, at 8:15. Speaker will be Dr. A. J. Stern, Dean of the College. Other items on the agenda include the showing of the 1953 Homecoming movie and the election of officers. Other chapters

Plans are definitely under way for meetings of the Mid-State and Long Island chapters. The presidents of the Hudson Valley and Westchester groups are studying the results of a questionnaire before determining action.

The alumni office is waiting for word from Washington, Western New York, New Jersey about meeting dates. Connecticut and Philadelphia are expected to meet in April.

Before long the alumni office hopes to determine whether there is a possibility of organizing in the Plainfield section of New Jersey. Members of the Association in that area will be asked to express themselves soon.

WHERE ONE DOLLAR

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Wherever there are four or more alumni within a ten square mile area, we will have personal solicitation.

Besides the more Wagner-populated areas of Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, we are also going to have campaign workers in Dayton, Toledo, Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Alexandria, and Baltimore.

For those who will not be personally visited, a letter (and we hope you have to be asked but once) will be sent as a reminder of Wagner Week.

Every dollar given will be put to good use. Every dollar we give is worth \$25 in college endowment.

Let's get moving and break all previous records!

SPORT NOTES

(continued from page 7) twelve hours on the road, the team arrived a little after midnight. The trip ordinarily takes five to six hours.

Saturday morning the snow was still coming down, and a phone call to Susquehanna disclosed that the game had to be canceled. The snow covered the Crusader field to a depth of five feet where it had drifted.

The return trip that afternoon (and evening. . .and night) was no better. Eleven hours elapsed before the top of Grymes Hill was reached at 10 P.M. The indefatigable football players were not phased in the least. As soon as the bus rolled wearily to a stop, 25 huskies made straight for the gym, and within minutes, most of them were dancing to the music of Tony Pastor's orchestra.

The season was concluded the following week-end with a 34-19 loss to Moravian. In spite of the defeat, two Seahawk freshmen, Larry Fusco and Charlie (Turk) Bordies ended the year on a hopeful note by taking a pair of kickoffs and galloping 98 and 83 yards respectively for touch-

downs.

A POTENTIAL WAGNER STUDENT

Report by	Class of	
Name of Prospect		
Address		
High School — Name		
Address		
Date of Graduation	High School average or rank in class	
Date of College Entrance	Degree candidate?	
Suggested recruitment approach		
(Alumni: Cut off here and mail to the college)		

ODYSSEY OF A DEAN

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dation of Detroit, Michigan. Here he did research in Bio-physics, studying the trace elements in nutrition. On July 23, 1941, Kathleen Stern was born in Detroit. The chemist was enjoying his laboratory work, enjoving even more becoming an American-but he missed his students and the classroom, and he was beginning to miss New York for, though his stay in that city had been short, he had come to regard himself as a "New Yorker". When the American Chemical Society convened in Buffalo in 1942, Stern met Dr. Lee Y. Davidheiser, then Head of Wagner's Chemistry Department. From that moment on, Adolph Stern was a "Wagnerian". He joined the faculty on September 18.

The new Professor quickly became acclimated to American college life, though the first year had its pitfalls. Students (I know, for I was a Sophomore then, and one of them) who weren't much when it came to Chemistry anyway, had a bit of struggle understanding his delightful accent and he, in turn, found

it necessary to bone up on campus vernacular.

Interested in undergraduate activities, Dr. Stern and his wife both became members of Greek letter groups, he of Alpha Sigma Phi and she of Alpha Delta Pi. He also joined the Staten Island Kiwanis Club and began participation in community affairs. During his early years on the Island, Dr. Stern carried on some consulting research with industry, but the increasing pressure of duties at Wagner forced him to quit this field. He found his real happiness and fulfillment working with his students and wanted to give more of his time to them.

In 1946, when the College completed its accelerated war-time program, Stern was made Director of the Summer Session, a position he has held ever since, and upon the retirement of Dr. Davidheiser in 1950, assumed his post as Head of the Chemistry Department. In 1952 he became Dean of the College.

Dr. Stern's "extra-curricular" activities are so numerous and so varied that one truly wonders where he finds time for all of them. He is Chairman of the United Nations Committee of

Staten Island and a member of the Board of Directors of the S.I. Social Welfare Agency. Active also in Civil Defense, he is Chief Gas Identification Officer of the Island and is on the Boro President's Commission On Air Pollution Abatement. Professionally, he was recently honored by being appointed one of the nine directors of the American Chemical Society of Manhattan.

But the spirit of the man and the tremendous value of his presence on Grymes Hill is perhaps best revealed in Adolph Stern's keen interest and leadership in the Faith and Life Week series. He is an ardent scholar of the relationship of religion to science and, since directing the first of these weeks at Wagner, he has been in popular demand for similar programs on campuses all over the country. At the Georgia Institute of Technology last Spring, he conducted a prospectus entitled "Ethics in the Engineering Profession".

A truly human gentlemen, his is a life of accomplishment and devotion—devotion to his family, devotion to his profession and his students, and devotion to Christian principles.

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WAGNER COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION STATEN ISLAND 1, N. Y.

> Coming College Events

Staten Island, N. Y. U. S. POSTAGE PERMIT No. 22

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JANUARY

- 18-22 Midyear Exams
- 22 Sigma Delta Phi Dance
- 22 Staten Island Chapter Meeting
- 24 Choir tour begins
- 25 Week of registration for spring term

FEBRUARY

- 1 Spring Term begins
- 5 Basketball: Wilkes
- 6 Alumni Fund Kickoff Dinner
- 6 Basketball: Albright
- 7-21 ALUMNI FUND CAMPAIGN
- 9 Basketball: University of Connecticut
- 11 Choir Homecoming Concert, gym
- 12 Freshman Dance
- 20 Junior Prom
- 22 Basketball: Fordham
- 25 Phi Mu Alpha Concert
- 27 Last day for filing scholarship applications
- 27 ALUMNI FUND REPORT MEETING
- 27 Alumni Homecoming Basketball: St. Peter's

MARCH

7-11 - Faith and Life Week

APRII

- 2, 3 Alpha Psi Omega production
- 3 Baseball: Pratt
- 10-20 Easter Vacation
- 12 Baseball: Fordham