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THE COVER PICTURE

Traditional on the Wagner Campus is the annual May Day, held this year on May 3. The cover picture shows the Maypole dance which was part of last year's celebration. Photo is by Herbert E. Hewitt.

ALUMNI REUNION PROGRAM

Friday and Saturday — June 2 and 3, 1950

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 1950

5:45 P.M.	REGISTRATION DESK OPENS Registration desk will be open from 5:45 to 10:00 P.M. on Friday and from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on Saturday	— Foyer, Cunard Hall
6:45 P.M.	ALUMNI REUNION DINNER Rev. James Link, speaker	— Dining Room, Cunard Hall
8:45 P.M.	BUSINESS MEETING	— Cunard Hall
9:00 P.M.	INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL DANCE	— Ad Building
9:30 P.M.	"THE SECOND CUP OF COFFEE" Social Rooms, Cunard Hall Movies and Chatter	

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1950

9:00 A.M.	REGISTRATION DESK OPENS	— Foyer, Cunard Hall
9:30 A.M.	"THE PROFESSOR AT THE BREAKFAST TABLE" Room, Cunard Hall, Dr. Adolph Stern, speaker	— Dining
11:00 A.M.	"TIME TO LOOK AROUND"	— Campus
12:00 noon	NURSING ALUMNAE CHAPTER LUNCHEON MEETING INFORMAL LUNCHEON FRATERNITY, SORORITY and CLASS LUNCHEONS	West Room, Cunard Hall — Dining Room, Cunard Hall — Off the Hill
3:00 P.M.	COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES	— Sutter Oval

ALUMNI REUNION

by Jack Berglund '35
Chairman

Here we are in the middle of spring! We start day dreaming and those memorable days on the Hill pop into our minds. Well, keep on dreaming, boys and girls - - Alumni Reunion Weekend is just a few weeks away and your committee has been working up a lil' old program that we know you won't want to miss.

We start off Friday evening, June 2nd, at 6:15 with an *Alumni Reunion Dinner*. Professors Davidheiser, DeWalsh, and Haag are going to be our special guests so that we can wish them well on their forthcoming retirements. The main speaker will be the Rev. James Link, local pastor, who has quite a reputation as an after dinner speaker. Joe Flotten '26 will act as M.C. and should have a lot of "good ones" lined up. Other highlights will include presentation of keys to *two* 50 year alumni by Dr. Sutter and a factual report on the Greater Wagner Campaign from that famous member of the class of '45, Dr. Walter Langsam. Incidentally, arrangements are being made so that five year reunion classes ('45, '40, '35, '30, etc.) can sit together at reserved class tables.

A *business meeting* is scheduled for 8:45 p.m. Your executive committee is planning to make it as *short* as possible by sending you mimeographed reports and outlines of the business in advance.

At 9:00 p.m. there will be a *dance* in the Ad Building sponsored by the Interfraternity Council. For those of you whom Terpsichore has not endowed, "*The Second Cup of Coffee*" will be served in the social rooms in Cunard at 9:30 p.m. You may lounge around and hash over your

years on the Hill or relax and see some Wagner football films plus "Beautiful upon a Hill." The latter film is a terrific success and has even been televised.

You have heard of Breakfast with Jinx and Tex, Dorothy and Dick, and other radio notables. Well, Saturday morning, June 3rd, don't miss "*The Professor at the Breakfast Table*." Meet us in Cunard at 9:30 a.m. and we'll guarantee a good breakfast *plus*. The speaker will be our own Dr. Adolph J. Stern, world traveler, lecturer, and humorist. Dr. Stern's dynamic personality and ready wit have made him one of Wagner's most popular professors. As a special attraction there will be some special musical entertainment

under the direction of Dr. Sigvart Steen of the music department.

Have you seen your new West Campus? There will be *time to look around* before lunch. Dormitories will be open for inspection if you want a peek at your old room.

At noon there will be a *Nursing Alumnae Chapter Luncheon-Meeting* in Cunard and also fraternity, sorority and class reunion luncheons scheduled at local spots off the hill. If you wish to stay on the campus, the dining room in Cunard will be open.

At 3:00 p.m. the colorful academic procession and *commencement exercises* will be held on Sutter Oval. A fitting climax to our program.

A *registration desk* will be set up in the foyer of Cunard Hall from 5:45 to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. If you desire lodging for Friday night, arrangements can be made at the desk for a dormitory room.

Did I mention the tariff? Tickets for all events will be on sale at the registration desk at the following rates:

Annual Reunion Dinner	\$1.75
Dance	\$.75
Lodging	\$1.00
Professor's Breakfast	\$.85
Luncheon*	\$1.00

* Includes Nursing Alumnae Luncheon and informal luncheon in Cunard Dining Room. It does not include the fraternity, sorority or class luncheons held off the hill.

That's it! Mark the dates on your calendar NOW - June 2nd and 3rd. We'll be looking for you!



DEARIE, DO YOU REMEMBER

WAGNER'S GRAND TOUR

by Ian Morrison '48

Capacity Crowd Attends Concert of Wagner Choir. Wagner Choir Gives Rare Musical Treat. Dr. Steen Shows Amazing Ability in Wagner College Concert Here. Wagner Choir Heard in Stirring Program.

These are typical of the headlines following in the wake of the Wagner Choir as it traveled on its annual tour in January and February of this year.

cert, the *Syracuse Post Herald* said, "A stirring program . . . the choir displayed precision and complete control, often lacking in other well-directed groups . . . Steen's ability as a director was clearly seen last night." A few days earlier the critics of the *Newburgh News* stated, ". . . a program sung with enthusiasm and artistry. . . choir excelled in shimmering pianissimos and organ-like crescendos

church in Newburgh, the tour at Niagara Falls, Dr. Steen's solo in Meriden, Norm Sutterlin's cut-ups in Torrington. These and other episodes will long remain in the minds of this group. In and out of the bus, packing and unpacking, singing and not singing, eating, sleeping, living in different places every night, meeting more people, talking Wagner - - no, not routine - - just fun for all.



Lunch stop - Monticello

Robert Chamberlain, George Handley, Paul Riss (hidden), Carolyn Reisch, Gerard Kern.



There's one in every crowd. Paul Riss posing for Carolyn Reisch.



You don't want the names. It's 7:30 a.m., leaving Meriden.

Twenty concerts in three states and each one acclaimed by audiences and critics alike - - quite a record, but an old story to Dr. Sigvart Steen, who has been directing choirs for more years than he cares to make public. Gaining national prominence as director of the Northland (Wisconsin) College Choir, he was singularly honored during World War II by being called to direct the famous Naval Bluejackets Choirs at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. A seasoned trouper and an accomplished artist, Sig Steen is the main reason that the Wagner Choir has become "one of the finest choirs in the East." Joining the Wagner faculty in September, Steen succeeded, in just three months, in accomplishing what at first seemed an impossible task. Forty-three young students, numbering few voice students, stunned audiences with their depth of feeling, discipline, and beauty of ensemble.

The morning after the Syracuse con-

. . . this is already one of our finer choral groups. The group showed a professional quality that is rarely found outside such veteran organizations as the Yale Glee Club, the St. Olaf's Choir, and the Westminster Choir. . ."

It is a tribute to the choir personnel that these, and other fine reviews, did not instill the idea of perfection. Each concert showed the choir new mistakes and new horizons. Hard work and professional demeanor key-noted the tour, but, as always, there was plenty of time for good old-fashioned "horsing around."

Almost every day the students had a few hours to themselves, and it was understood that all would be well as long as the established timetable was adhered to - - and it was!

As always, in an undertaking of this type, there are highlights that will long be remembered. For instance, the grand first-night welcome in John Klahn's

Next year's tour is now in the planning and booking stage. Instead of this year's forty voices, we shall have sixty, the tour will be extended, and the audiences will be larger.

The Placement Bureau is anxious to hear of summer work opportunities for students. If you know of any such work, please tell the Placement office. Its director, Ernie Kiefer, would also be glad to hear of full time openings for graduates. Alumni are very important to the effectiveness of this work. Remember the Placement Bureau!

Delta Nu, youngest fraternity on the Hill, is the latest to organize its alumni. It all took place at Clove Lakes Inn on March 5. Officers elected were Dick Paugh '49, president; Phil Laub '48, vice-president; Warren Schiele '48 secretary-treasurer.

THE MIGHTY MITE

by Al Krahmer '27

Some call Herb Sutter the Mighty Mite; others call him the Grey Eagle (for the obvious reason that what hair he has is grey); as a member of the faculty he rates the title of Professor Sutter; but almost everybody calls him just plain Herb.

No matter what you choose to call him, the fact is that Herb is doing a great job. Wagner is growing up athletically and the man responsible for most of that growth sits in the tiny office allotted to the athletic department. When we told Herb we were going to do this story, he said, "Write it soon while I'm riding high." He was referring, of course, to the fact that his basketball Seahawks had won 19 and lost 5, annexing the Greater New York Conference title in the process.

Herb is a good coach and he has proved it in both basketball and baseball, but we have a feeling that his greatest contribution to Wagner is not as a coach, but as Director of Athletics. When we said Wagner was growing up athletically we were not referring primarily to the fact that we have had winning seasons for the past two years in all major sports, but rather to the fact that we now compete regularly with teams of recognized standing. No longer do we play unknown schools, but colleges of fine reputation. What's more, we go into most of these games with a fair chance of winning.

Herb is responsible for this athletic growth, first through the fine contacts he has developed. One of the less arduous tasks that falls to the writer is to accompany Herb occasionally to gatherings of metropolitan athletic directors and writers. It is immediately evident that Herb is well known and respected by these men. He's on a first name basis with most of them. This is also true of the Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Conference group (made up of many schools with enrollment and athletic policies like ours).

Take a good look at Wagner schedules. This year or next we meet teams like Swarthmore, Johns Hopkins, Western Maryland, Albright, Dickinson, Gettysburg, F. and M., St. Johns, Fordham, etc. The fellow responsible for these fine schedules is the Director of Athletics, Herb Sutter.

We've talked to representatives of these colleges. They are happy to play Wagner because they like the way our players conduct themselves and the way Herb Sutter does things. We are a respected opponent, because they know that Herb

plays square with the eligibility standards of the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, and makes sure that Wagner athletics are always clean and above board.

Another way Herb has helped Wagner athletics grow up is through his persuasive manner with local high school athletes. Many of the fine players on our winning teams this year are at Wagner because he took an interest in them. How he persuaded some of them to come we'll never know, because we know something of the kind of "offers" these boys have had from other schools.

Herb would be the first to admit that he tries to get good athletes to come to Wagner, but here, too, he plays the game square and according to accepted codes. We remember, for example, a letter he received last winter from a fine basketball player in a New England college. The boy wanted to transfer, but Herb wanted no part of the deal. He refused to risk even a remote chance of an accusation of "tampering."

It's hard to think of a time when Herb was not on the Wagner campus. He attended the old Wagner High from 1923-1927, the college from 1927-1931. Except for a year at Columbia (M.A., 1932) and five years in the New York City school system, he's been at Wagner ever since. When he first came to the Hill in 1937, his was a part time job—to put some order into the scheduling of games, handled until then entirely by student managers. In time he became instructor in physical education, coach of basketball and baseball (he even tutored the girls in basketball for a while), and eventually Professor of Physical Education, head of the department, and Director of Athletics.

Herb entered Wagner High School the same year the writer entered Wagner College, and we remember well his development as an athlete. A little fellow, it took him a while to break into the varsity line-ups, but once he did, there was no stopping him. He quarterbacked the football team, played a forward in basketball, and second base on the baseball team. Always aggressive, he more than made up for his lack of size and was never afraid of running up against the big boys.

We remember some terrific beatings Herb took in football during one of those seasons when the line was below par and the backfield needed armor. Smart and a good passer, he was one of our better players. Against Susquehanna in 1930, we saw him go 85 yards with a kickoff behind one of Ray Kirchmeyer's famed flying wedges.



Herb Sutter

Now that Eddie Stanky is a New York Giant (his favorite club), Herb won't mind our saying that he is a Stanky-type baseball player. Never a power hitter, Herb drew a lot of walks, picked up the extra base by alert base running, performed smoothly in the field, and was always the smart, take-charge type on the field.

But if Herb was good in football and baseball, he was great on the basketball court. In high school, he was twice chosen on the Island all-scholastic five. In college ball, he was always a top scorer and brilliant floor man. In the one year of the short-lived Metropolitan Conference, he was chosen on its all-star five. Herb can still play a good game, as the cocky members of the class of 1950 found out this year. Herb was high man as the Faculty beat the Seniors.

Sutter is a real veteran of the campus. With the retirement of Professors Davidheiser and DeWalsh this spring, we can think of only two members of the Wagner family with longer service on the Hill—Professors Hinman and Deal. Loyal to his Alma Mater and serving her well, Herb has done a grand job to help Wagner grow up.

He is not responsible for the next step in that growth—the new gym, but he'll be a happy man when it's finally a reality. It will be heaven for him to be able to have basketball practice everyday and not have to leave Tuesdays and Thursdays for the girls, or have to forego practice because of exams or registration, or the many other activities which now jam the auditorium schedule. And to be able to play the home games on the Hill. There'll be no holding him.

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Have a Heart, Fellows!

One of the heaviest burdens with which the Public Relations Office had to deal during the past fall, mentally if not physically, were the complaints of loyal and enthusiastic, but un-understanding alumni, about the "lack of publicity" on Union's undefeated football team.

From all quarters the complaints poured in, by letter and verbally, and in one instance indirectly, via a neighboring radio station. The situation finally reached the point where the Director of Public Relations decided to do something about it. This is it.

This is not going to be an excuse for what some believed to be the lack of publicity, for no excuse is needed, nor is any defense. The tremendous volume of athletic publicity that went out from here during the fall, under the able supervision of Bill Ketz, speaks for itself. We did our part, but what happened between Wells House and the published newspapers in which our alumni didn't see glowing accounts of Union's victories?

That is the crux of the matter, and that calls for an explanation of just what "news" is as published in the newspapers. In reading this, remember that the Director of Public Relations, who is writing this article, is not only a loyal alumnus of Union himself, but is also an experienced newspaperman, with twenty years on the *New York Herald Tribune* and five years before that on The Associated Press.

"News," to put it in the simplest terms, is anything that is of interest to more than one person. But on that basis, our daily newspapers would be huge bundles, so some formula must be used to sift out the news that will be of the greatest interest to the greatest number of people. That formula can be stated most simply as "reader interest."

In other words, when any editor of any newspaper sits down at his desk each day, to deal with the vast volume of copy which comes across that desk—and every publication, even *UNION ALUMNUS*, has far more than it can print in each issue—the criterion that must be applied to every piece of news is: "How many of my readers will this interest?"

If an article is about taxation—or anything affecting the pocketbook—or babies, or pets, or a great catastrophe, or (we are sorry to say it, but it's true) sex, or a few other things of general interest, the chances are that the editor will send it along as copy for his publication. It is a well-known fact in newspaper work that most people are interested in those things.

But then comes the task for which the editor really is paid, to sift out the remaining material and decide

what of it is of the greatest interest to most of his readers, and that is where we come in, with our Union College sports copy.

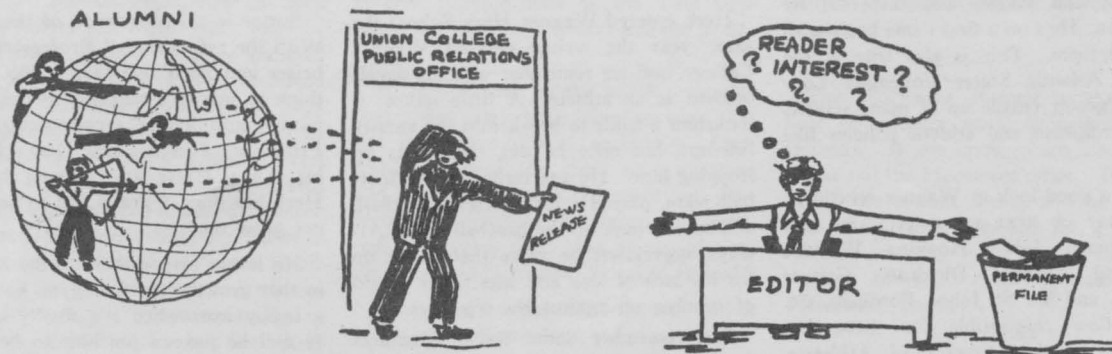
In Schenectady, the sports editors of the papers have no problem, for they know that a couple thousand of their readers are Union alumni, plus families and friends, and so everything we send out is published. In Albany and other adjacent cities, the same is true to only a slightly lesser extent. But then we come to New York City and the metropolitan area, whence most of last year's complaints came, and to cities more distant.

The *New York Daily News* has a circulation of around 3,000,000; *The New York Times* around 600,000; the *Herald Tribune* around 300,000. The Alumni Office's estimate of Union College alumni living within a thirty-five-mile radius of Times Square is 1,800. And there is the reason for our problem, if not the answer to it. Any editor worth his salt on a New York paper, even if he knew of the number of Union alumni in the area, which he probably doesn't, would put two and six together and know that he didn't have many readers among that number—out of his total circulation.

The same ratio holds in the New York suburban area. Take Newark, N. J., for instance. The *Newark Evening News* has a circulation of 236,000. Union has some 400 alumni living in its entire circulation area. Even if they all read the *Newark News*, which they obviously do not, how would the editor's formula of "reader interest" work out? Not, we are sorry to say, too well.

But Union is not the only small college with the same problem. A sports editor of the *Herald Tribune* told the writer that when a paragraph appears about Union, the alumni of Hamilton, and Williams, and Wesleyan, and Trinity, etc., etc., are hot on the trail, wanting to know why their colleges didn't get a paragraph, too. When they get in and Union doesn't, brother!

It all comes down to the fact that alumni who are dentists, and plumbing contractors, and lawyers, and world travelers, and what have you, should let the editors do their jobs, and hope that "reader interest" in Union eventually will grow to the point where everything we do becomes front page news. Newspapermen are not included in the above listing; they already know what the editors' headaches are. And they know, too, that readers' complaints to the newspapers are read carefully and do not go unheeded. A vociferous minority often gets results. Meanwhile we sum it all up in the cartoon below:



Because this article represented so graphically the problems which confront our Public Relations office, we asked the Union Alumnus for permission to reprint. It was readily granted and we acknowledge our gratitude.

Let us also remind you that the *New York morning papers* are going to press earlier and earlier. The first edition of the *Herald Tribune*, for example, goes to press at 7 p.m., the *City* edition at 9:50. Rarely were our basketball games over before ten o'clock. All of which accounts for the fact that some of you in Westchester, Connecticut, New Jersey and elsewhere had trouble keeping up with the fine record of our basketball team.

AND HOW IT GREW

by Al Beck

(This is the last of a series of three articles concerning the early history of Wagner College. Now backed by a sturdy constitution, the brand-new institution was ready to settle down to the real business of education. The early conception of student life and discipline may have been gay enough for students of those days, but it is the reserved opinion of this editor that recent Wagner graduates would rather die.)

As far as the school life of a pupil at the Lutheran Proseminary of Rochester was concerned, it was a disciplined and carefully regulated life. At 6 a.m., a bell was rung and the students arose. A half hour later they were expected to attend morning devotions, and at 7 o'clock, breakfast was served. Then the pupils were given an hour and a half in which they were to take care of their rooms and prepare the day's lessons.

The hours of actual class-work were from 9:00 to 12:00 and from 1:30 - 3:30. The rest of the day, save for two and a half hours of recreation, the students were expected to study and prepare the next day's assignment.

The student's rooms were assigned, they were given certain seats at the table, they arose when a teacher entered a room, and they were not allowed to leave the grounds without permission.

Experience must have been responsible for the rule forbidding the use or possession of gun-powder, fireworks, or guns in the student quarters. Nor were the students allowed to frequent taverns, theaters, or to play cards. No pupil was permitted to join a secret society or hold membership in a college fraternity.

For the privilege of attending the school, each student (excepting beneficiary students or sons of Lutheran clergymen) paid thirty-two dollars a year for tuition. His board amounted to two dollars a week, and for heat and sundries he was charged an additional ten dollars per annum.

The school year was divided into Fall, Winter, and Spring terms. Vacations were given at Christmas and Easter. The long (or summer) vacation generally extended over two and a half months. School was held five days a week, and twice a year (at Christmas and June) a report was made of the pupil's conduct, attention, effort, and achievement. The discipline as well as the plan of the proseminary was patterned largely after the German gymnasium. Six years of study were required before graduation. The pupil began with the lowest form, called Sexta,

and proceeded to the highest, or Prima, form. All subjects were taught by Lutheran pastors of Rochester, the housefather, and a special instructor.

Beginning May 1, 1885, a two year lease was taken on a large building on Oregon Street, formerly occupied by the Satterlee Collegiate Institute. It was discovered that the entire property could be purchased for \$12,000 and a hope was born that some day the proseminary might own this choice property. To the end it was decided to begin a fund which, once it had reached \$6,000, would be used as the initial payment.

Meanwhile, dissatisfaction with the housefather was growing. In April, he announced to the members of the board of trustees that he had received a call from Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Penfield, Monroe County, New York, which he would accept if the school trustees would give him leave to accept. His resignation was accepted by the board with alacrity. The secretary was instructed to write that we "certainly have nothing against his acceptance of a call." (April 9, 1885 - *Protokolle, Minutes of the Board*) Twenty days later Housefather Kahmerer left.

Negotiations were begun at once to secure the services of Professor Paul Emil Kellner, as the new housefather. The major difficulty was that Professor Kellner was in Russia, and would have to be brought to Rochester at the expense of the proseminary. Still, the men felt certain that Kellner was the right person for the position. After corresponding with him at great length, they decided to send him a call. As soon as he accepted it, President Richter sent him \$200 to cover traveling expenses for himself, his wife, and his child.

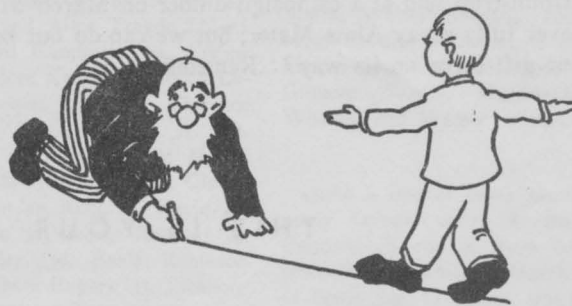
The final week of school before the

summer vacation of 1885 was a full one. It included examinations, speeches by the pupils, diploma awards, and a picnic. On the closing evening of the school term a musicale was held. It resembled a large family gathering, for students, professors and their wives, and members of the board were invited. Various members of the school performed on musical instruments, others sang, and at the conclusion of the evening refreshments were served. Francis Hoffman of Utica was the unofficial guest of honor, for he had received his diploma and was the first student of the school to complete his work at the proseminary. By the first of June, all the pupils had packed their belongings and departed for home and the summer vacation.

When the new housefather came toward the end of the summer, he was entertained at the home of John Wagner. Here he stayed with his family until he became orientated in the city. Unlike his predecessors, the new housefather was beloved and respected by all. He was a wise administrator and a capable leader. More than once President Richter was instructed by the board to commend Professor Kellner for his efficient care of the school funds and property.

The third school year of the Lutheran proseminary of Rochester began on September 1, 1885. The new board of trustees, elected on January 12, 1886, was important since it was this same board that was to guide the school through its first transition period - - from proseminary to college. Pastor Alexander Richter was once again re-elected president. Mr. John G. Wagner was elected vice-president, Frederick Schlegel was made secretary, and David Bantleon continued as treasurer.

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THESE ALUMNI ARE WORKERS

Marie Norris, Helen Wiig, Fred Nellis, Lillian Lynch, Edna Lawler Kuttruff, Fred Hurst, Donald and Marie Borth, Jean Krumpke, Harold Matthius, Barbara Decker, Arthur Pentz, Louise Christiansen, Joe Ward, Marilyn Romanelli, Robert Lindsay, Rosemary Truempy, Faith Vigurs Grannis, Jane Davies, Caspar Scheiper, Richard Debus, Charles Smith, Roy Debus, Vincent Tomes, Frank McCormick, Joan Weyand, Vincent Chiola, Donald Haheer, David Boyd, Bob McVicker, Merrill and Grace Horine, John and Gerda Mentha, John Marcato Glen McDonald, Phil Laub, Frank Chironna, Mike Ch'apperino, Ralph Adams, Dave Sweet, Joe Tito.

IN THE G. W. C.*

Ken Salvesen, Ted Denton, Herb Flamm, Jr., Ruth Halle, Andrew and Felicia Caulfield Johnson, Harvey Colquhon, Michael Chericola, Fred and Phyllis Vollweiler, Dino Efstation, Don Race, Bob Olwig, Bill and Naomi Monge, Noela Cawley, Mike Horgan, Eleanor Ayoub, Edith Guertler, Hope Behar, Eleanor Knudsen, Agnes Dempsey Quinlan, Gloria Femmenela, Lillian Ayoub, Jack Berglund, Herbert Cochrane, Leonard Hirschman, Clarence Faires, Carl Ludders, Eleanor and Fred Willecke, Marge Hartung, Frank DeAngelis, Victoria Ialenti, Shirley Sandberg Shannon, Lena Cilenti.

THEY'RE CANVASSING STATEN ISLAND

Bill Gurka, Norman Schaefer, John Gross, Alfred and Jean Danielson, Eugene Scala, Les Trautmann, Henry Trautmann, Erwin Endress, Henry Endress, Rocco Zaza, Norman Frielich, Dick and Pat Forster, Virginia Clark Peel, Norma Brandkamp, Norman Esplin, Doris Clark, Bill Beveridge, Cornelia Borgemeister, Lila Thompson Barbes, Marjorie Rieb Seguine, Henry and Edith Raisch, Werner and Muriel Johnson, Donald and Doris Campbell, Harry Schell, George and Damaris Meyer, Virginia Beebe Sullivan, Roy Cutter, Joe Crecca, John and Wanda Devlin, Lloyd Hunsdorfer, Rolf Danielson, Tony Scala, Gaetano Nicolais.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

Wilbur and Mary Sterner, Russel Jicha, Phil Branner, Sam Miller, Isabelle Maiorano, Archie DeLuca, Victoria Soggi DeLuca, Larry Knudsen, Donald Browne, Jasper Cusamano, Doris Larsen Mims, Elizabeth Whitney, Inger Walloe Whitney, Janeth Olsen, Jean Evans, Gloria McSorley, Virginia Nelson, Dorothy Gutekunst, Stan Stillwell, Flo Kallidin, Mike Nicolais, Joe Wheeler, Roy and Joy Holmstrup, Bob Sheie, Bob and Gertrude Schwarz, Aristide Fiera nosca, Warren Jensen, George Guttler, Helen McNeal, Alex Patterson, Ken Hansen, Ralph Olsen.

THIS IS THE ARMY of workers active in the Staten Island campaign. Many other alumni are busy in their churches working for CHEY. No other activity has ever aroused such whole-hearted alumni support as has this great campaign for a greater Wagner.

The Wagner faculty has contributed more than \$14,000. The Wagner students have pledged themselves to raise \$15,000. Everyone is working to make those "dream" buildings come true.

Roy Holmstrup said at a campaign dinner on March 31: "This is our job. Let's get busy and do it. We can never fully repay Alma Mater, but we can do our best to try."

Is your gift in or on its way? Remember - -

THIS IS YOUR JOB TOO!

*GREATER WAGNER CAMPAIGN

AN END — AND A BEGINNING



Wishing each other well — Dr. Davidheiser, Dr. DeWalsh.

Two faithful and well-beloved members of the Wagner faculty will retire June 1: They are Dr. F. Charles DeWalsh, chairman of the Modern Languages department, and Dr. Lee Y. Davidheiser, chairman of the Department of Chemistry. They are to be honored at Commencement and at the Alumni dinner. It is expected that many of their former students will be present to show their esteem for these veterans of the campus, both of whom have contributed so much to make Wagner what it is today.

Somehow, it had never seemed quite real to think about a day when Dr. DeWalsh and Dr. Davidheiser would no longer be at Wagner College. But inevitably the day has come, and with its coming two strong links in the long chain of Wagner history will be missing.

When these veteran professors retire in June, they will be awarded honorary degrees at the commencement exercises in special recognition of their faithful service to the college. Dr. DeWalsh will receive the degree of doctor of letters, and Dr. Davidheiser will be the recipient of the degree of doctor of science.

It is doubtful that there is even one alumnus since the mid-1920's who does not remember these two men. Together they have given 48 years of teaching service to our Alma Mater, and they will be remembered for countless years ahead.

Still hale, Dr. DeWalsh will retire to read and write. Having always been interested in comparative literature, he wants to make use of his time for extensive reading as well as for writing in the field of Germanics. "I am also going to climb trees and tear down branches," he tells us, with a twinkle in his eye, "and do a little painting on the side." He will too! Dr. DeWalsh is not retiring - - he's just getting started!

Dr. Davidheiser's future plans also include writing. His field - - American poetry. Here is one chemistry professor whose horizon is far from limited. He is, and always has been, intensely interested in literature. Without losing touch with his profession altogether, Dr. Davidheiser will probably do some part-time teaching as well.

Wagner will certainly miss these men whose lives have become so integral a part of Wagner's life. But we are grateful for all that they have given us and wish them Godspeed in many rich and happy years ahead.



KNOW WHERE THESE ALUMNI ARE?

Evelyn Albert '43, Louis Balmer '38, Hazel Baron '41, William Boehme '43, Ethel Carter '45, Niels Christiansen '23, Dr. George Christopher '36, Valentine Connolly '44, Harry Dahl '39, Alice Delaney N46, Christine Dudde Smith '45, Elcanor Eichle Rea N46, Raffaelo Franchini '41, Donald Glen '42, Ernest Graewe '40, Virginia Hubbell '45, R. Hutton '41, Norman ('48) and Alice Tregde (N47) Johnson, Richard Kaminska '30, Arthur Klein '36, Theodore Krupa '47, Rocco Latronica '41, Thomas Levy '39, Clarence McGovney '47, John McKay, Jr. '41, Mackensen '43, Virginia Marble Magill '44, Alexander Mikhalevsky '43, Gloria Muller Stevenson '40, Robert O'Keefe '49, Vincent Peterson '37, George Rapport '39, Arthur Renschler '39, Earle Robinson '48, Charles Graham-Rogers '33, Eleanore Schmidt Schweppe '41, Jean Stevens N47, Sheldon Taylor '48, Louis Tomforde '31, and Frank Wagner '45.

Your help in securing correct addresses will be appreciated by the Alumni Office.

WELCOME, NEW ALUMNI



ONE OF THE GANG NOW

Sixty-nine more seniors finished their academic course at Wagner in January and have been officially members of the Alumni Association since that date even though their degrees will not actually be granted until the June Commencement.

Our newest members are Eric Sellars, Ralph Barber, Roy Bredholt, Bernard Costello, Thomas Darson, James Downing, Robert Farrell, Omar Gjerness, Ann Humphrey, William Lexander, Frederick Ohlsen, Louise Zarelli Banks, Barrie Baragiano, Horace Chrimubolo, Gerard Cicero, Edmond DeSantis, Frederick Heimrick, Frank Kaiser, Stanley Knoll, Edward Megerian, Max Moretti, Donald Muller, Vincent Tomes, Iris Wilson, Melchior DiCarlo-Cottone, Harold Matthius, John Start, Ruth Tellefsen, Frank Ballweg, George Breidenbach, Ray Brown, Alyce Crocco, Eugene D'Alessandro, Harold DeGroat, George Esposito, Mario Esposito.

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Quite a few of these alumni have already become active in their regional chapters. Three of them were present when Brooklyn met on March 17, and one of them, Bill Lexander, was elected secretary of the chapter. This is a spirit which gladdens the heart of the Alumni Secretary.

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Walter Kortrey and Elaine Hoebel Fuhlbruck were re-elected officers of the Long Island alumni chapter at a meeting in Lynbrook on February 17. Alumni Secretary Al Krahmer spoke and "Beautiful upon a Hill" was shown. Plans were made for a future program of activities, which include a meeting in the fall.

The Connecticut chapter was organized at a dinner meeting in Waterbury on March 5. Bob Heydenreich was elected president, Eleanor Dossin secretary. Dinner speaker was President Walter C. Langsam. Entertainment was furnished by Norm Sutterlin and by the movie, "Beautiful . . ."

The Brooklyn chapter held its annual meeting on March 17. Its program was identical with that of the Connecticut group. Phil Anstedt was re-elected president and Bill Lexander was chosen secretary. An executive committee was chosen which met on April 28 to plan future programs.

The Staten Island chapter has been too busy working for the Greater Wagner campaign to have any other meetings, but its annual meeting will be held in June. Meetings of the Westchester and Philadelphia chapters are on the schedule for after Easter. The Col-mar-va group (Columbia-Maryland-Virginia) met in Riverdale, Md. on March 31. They, too, saw "Beautiful upon a Hill."

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Jim Gilmartin and Jay Quintana, members of the victorious Seahawk basketball squad, were elected by the players of the Greater New York Conference to the All-Conference first team. Bob Blomquist made the second squad. The players at St. Lawrence chose Gilmartin on their all-opponent first team, as did the Clarkson squad. Clarkson also picked Ray Doody on their second team.

ALMA MATER SALUTES. . .

The Rev. O. E. Braune, pastor of St. Johns Lutheran Church, Newark, N. J. and the Rev. Edwin H. Boettger, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Buffalo, N. Y. They are the members of the class of 1900 who will be honored by Alma Mater on Friday evening, June 2, at the annual Alumni dinner. Dr. Frederic Sutter '94, president of the Board of Trustees, will present the Half-century Alumni awards to them.

The class of 1900 originally numbered five, the others being Frederick B. Clausen. Paul Kasten, and William Siebert. Like their classmates, Pastor Braune and Boettger, they entered the Lutheran ministry. Pastor Clausen was president of Waterloo College, Ontario, Canada, at the time of his death; Pastor Kasten served a church in Nanuet, N. Y.; and Pastor Siebert a church in Newark, N. J.

Seven Wagner students are children of alumni- Frank Kreider '50, son of Harry Kreider '21; Gerard Kern '51, son of Fred Kern '24; Paul '51 and Dick Wasmund '52, sons of Paul Wasmund '23; Betty Huf '53, daughter of Gus Huf '21; Carolyn Reisch '53, whose father is Connie Reisch '20; and Ed Bosch, Jr. '53, son of Ed Bosch '22.

For the Wasmunds and Bosch, this is the third Wagner generation. Dr. Henry Wasmund '95 is grandfather to Dick and Paul. Ed's grandfather was the late Dr. Fred Bosch '92. Young Bosch also has two uncles- Herbert Bosch '18 and Austin '31 in the alumni family, as well as a cousin, Herbert, Jr. '47.

As for Gerry Kern, two of his uncles are alumni- John Kern '27 and Nathaniel '30. Violet Dittmer Geffken '46 is cousin to the Wasmund boys, and Carolyn Reisch's brother, Bammy (Conral), was a member of the class of 1947. There are many other Reischs, too- Harold '32, Paul '44, Lois (Mrs. Weber) '43, and Bob, class of 1950, but don't ask us what their relationship to Carolyn is.



Our first Alumni Basketball Homecoming attracted a good crowd, netting \$157.70 for the Building Fund. The idea was so hastily conceived that we had no time to put on a show between the halves. Next year it will be different.

Incidentally the Fall Homecoming committee will begin planning in May for next year's program. The date will be Nov. 18, the game against Kings Point. The program? Even better than last year!

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One good way of keeping the Alumni office informed is the way adopted by Fred Kern and Dave Jensen, who send us copies of their parish papers regularly. If you are a pastor and publish such a paper, put us on your mailing list. We like to receive fraternity news sheets, too.

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Herb Gibney is the latest to tell us of an incident showing that people do see those "Wagner College" signs on your cars. Herb and his wife met Staten Islanders in New Hampshire. Result- a beautiful friendship, also a new plate for Herb who took occasion to remind us that his old one was a bit rusty.

The subscription fund to purchase the new property and building for the pro-seminary reached \$5,700 by January 12, 1886. It was decided at the meeting where this report was made that the time had come to purchase the property on the east side of Oregon Street for \$12,000. It was agreed that J. G. Wagner take out a mortgage on behalf of the board for \$6,000 to cover the amount which the subscription fund would not cover. This was later changed to a \$7,000 mortgage extending over a period of 10 years with semi-annual interest payments of 5%.

On June 8, 1886, the vice-president, John G. Wagner, declared to the other members of the board that he and his wife had decided (if the members of the Board of Trustees were in agreement) to pay the entire purchase price for the pro-seminary property. The only stipulation that he made was that this should be considered a memorial to his late son George, who was to have entered the Lutheran ministry.

The generous gift of Mr. Wagner and his wife was accepted with the hearty thanks of every member of the board. It was further agreed, after some discussion, to change the name of the institution to WAGNER MEMORIAL LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Thus the institution was placed upon a more solid and secure basis because of the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Wagner. It now could boast of having its own property and building. It now could spend money for something other than building and rent. And for the last time it was called the Lutheran Proseminary of Rochester.

PLANNING A CLASS REUNION??

We hope that the five year classes (1945, 1940, etc. all the way back to 1895) are planning for class reunions during the forthcoming Alumni Week-end June 2-3. Notify the Alumni office of your plans just as soon as possible and let us know how we can help.

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Alumni Secretary Al Krahmer is planning to attend the national convention of the American Alumni Council in Boston July 9-14. Sessions are to be held at the School of Business Administration, Harvard University.

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This year's Alumni Day committee is headed by Jack Berglund '35. Other members- Les Trautmann '40, Rolf Danielson '36, Jean Van Winkle Danielson '43, Lillian Intemann Arnesen '49N, Dick Debus '49, and Phil Laub '48.

ARE YOU WITH US?

\$1,880 on April 12. That's how things stood with the Alumni Loyalty Fund when we went to press. That's better than last year at this time, says Fund Chairman Chris Holmstrup, but it's still some distance from the \$3,000 goal we hope to reach by September 1. Last year's \$2,500 goal had been reached by Alumni Day, but this year we're straining beyond every previous effort. We *expect* to work harder to reach this new goal. We *know* we can! If every body helps, even just a little . . .

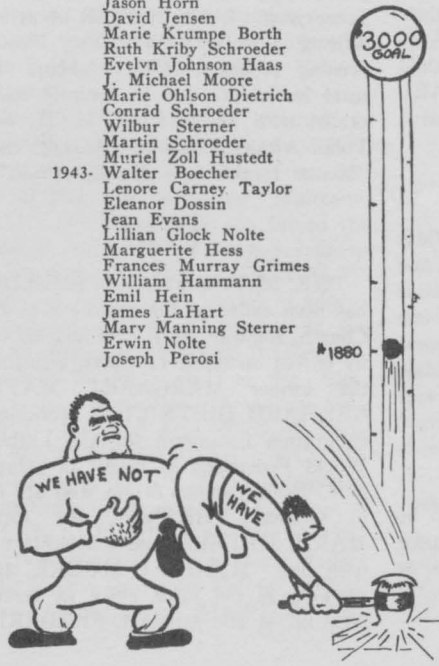
Average gift to date is \$7.19. Gifts range from one dollar to one hundred dollars. The number of contributors heard from is 261. Have we heard from you?

GOAL	\$3,000
3 scholarships	\$1,200.00
To College Endowment	\$1,000.00
Expenses	800.00*
Link, postage, Chapter meetings, etc.	\$3,000.00

(*) a token payment. The Link alone costs more than a thousand dollars a year.

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Harold Haas
Paul A. Kirsch (hon.)
Luther Kirsch
Earl Kriby
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1940- Gwynne Swartz
Donald Borth
Jack Cooper
Adelheid Baum
Gerhard Dietrich
Peter DiLeo
Willard Grimes
Ruth Gorman Schneck
Mildred Hoepfner Hoehn
Arthur Hergenhan
Fred Ingebritsen
Virginia Mackoy Trautmann
Russell MacDonald
Mildred Messenbrink Hergenhan
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1941- Albert Accetola
Frank Betancourt
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Roy Cutter
Herbert Gibney
Dorothee Heins Holmstrup
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Frances Wightman Pritchett
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1942- Joseph DiCosmo
Ted Gibson
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David Jensen
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1943- Walter Boecher
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Emil Hein
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1944- Paul Alberti
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1945- Louise Christiansen
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Dorothy Mohlenhoff
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1946- Evelyn Bodien Hendricksen
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Walter McColl
Ian Morrison
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Nieves Ribes Dole
Robert Salvesen
William Stackel (hon.)
George Tamke
Hildegard Viohl
Kay Walker Gilliksen
1949- Olaf Bredholt
Philip Becker
William Beveridge
Robert Dole
Wilson Gearhart
Gloria Herrada
Elise Hamilton
Robert Hoffman
Mary Kehoe
Henry Speight
Patricia Krumpke Speight
Edward Pellicciaro
Harriet Steinberg Grover
James Styles
Norman Schaefer
Esther Savacool
Marie Sheppard
John Thomson
Edmund Wagner (hon.)
Clifford Wood
Robert Whitehead
1950- Thomas Guastavino
1951- Howard Lenzner</p> |
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ALUMNI NEWS BRIEFS

1897

We regret to announce the death of the REV. F. ARNOLD BAVENDAM who died February 14.

1911

On March 1 the REV. HERMAN MEYER marked the anniversary of his 35th year serving the congregation of Immanuel Lutheran Church, New Springville, S. I. THE REV. FRANZ A. POSSELT, pastor of St. Peters Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pa., died suddenly on Tuesday evening, April 4. He had been ill about one day. Sympathy is extended to his family, which includes a daughter, ANITA POSSELT '48.

1920

St. Paul's Lutheran Parish House, Bridgeport, Conn., was dedicated March 19 by the congregation of the REV. CONRAD REISCH.

1927

AL KRAHMER is chairman of the Music Committee of the Staten Island Kiwanis Club. His job is to lead the singing. (Members of the old "To the Ladies" quartette, please note.)

1932

THE REV. HERBERT HAGENAU has moved to Elizabeth, N. J., where he is pastor of St. Pauls Lutheran Church. Herb, who is president of the New Jersey Conference; was formerly pastor in Asbury Park.

1934

Two class members announce that their families are growing. A son born August 9, was AVERY SMITH'S sixth child (4 boys and 2 girls). DR. MICHAEL RAPP is the father of a son born March 25.

1935

The REV. WILLIAM VILLAUME is the author of "Church Planning and Adjustment," published by the Committee of Cooperative Field Research, New York. HENRY TRAUTMANN was recently elected president of the Annadale (S. I.) Men's Civic Club. It is the second time he, was so chosen.

1936

ARTHUR FRIEDEL tells us that he joined Frederick Atkins, Inc., a resident buying office for 35 department stores, as purchasing agent for the entire group in March, 1949.

1937

Having built it himself (with some help, we assume) ROBERT SHEIE and his family moved into their new house on December 1. It is located in Westleigh, S. I.

1938

MARY R. SHIMER, vocal music director at Canajoharie central schools and minister of music at St. Marks Lutheran Church, has been selected as one of a group of 40 persons who will attend the special summer school in Switzerland in charge of Dr. John Finley Williamson, president of Westminster Choir College. The group will leave by plane June 3 and will be housed at Montreux on Lake Geneva.

1939

LUTHER KIRSCH, who coaches basketball and teaches at East Rockaway (LI) High School, reports progress for his basketball squad. Last year they went winless in 13 starts. This year the record was 5 won, 8 lost. (Lu sent this in himself in response to a request for Link items). CHRIS and DOTTY HEINS HOLMSTRUP have joined the ever-growing colony of Wagner alumni in Radburn, N. J. They bought a new home there in February. EARL J. KRIBY has brought us up to date on what he's been doing of late. For the past three years: 1948, married Mary A. Jodrey of Portland, Me., in July; 1949, received the doctor of dental surgery degree from Georgetown University in June; 1950, had a son, Eric Douglas, on January 27. JACK NEHER keeps busy writing. Station WNYC's Tuesday evening program, "Hi, Neighbor," features his scripts, and he recently collaborated with Dallas Pratt, M. D., on a Public Affairs Pamphlet (No. 155) called "Mental Health Is a Family Affair."

1940

THE REV. EDWARD SHELDON has been called to the pastorate of Zion Church, Rahway, N. J. He and his family moved on April 11. Mrs. Sheldon is the former MARGARET MAYER. GERHARD DIETRICH is working as emigration consultant for the Lutheran World Federation in behalf of refugees of Esthonic German origin who are now in Germany. His wife, the former MARIE OHLSEN, and 2 daughters are with him. MICHAEL MOORE '42 is working in the same office as resettlement officer and assistant. FREDERICK

M. INGEBRITSEN has bought a new house in Rahway, N. J. PETER DILEO moved from Linden to Woodbridge, N. J., recently. We just found out that HOPE JUHL is now (and has been for some time) Mrs. John J. Kennedy and lives in Old Greenwich, Conn. What's more, she has a son, Michael John, born July, 1946.

1941

ETHEL NORD DONCHEVICH can't possibly have an idle moment with *this* schedule. First of all, she now has a second son, Peter Vincent, born January 9. Meanwhile, she is still doing part time private nursing duty and is a full time student at New York University School of Nursing Education studying supervision.

1942

A daughter was born March 14 to Mr. and Mrs. PAUL DUKESHIRE. Mama is the former MABEL WOLF.

1943

KEN AXELSEN has established a private medical practice on Staten Island. His wife is the former Anne Fitzpatrick. GEORGE (SKIP) SCHIPANI now has a master's degree. ERIC GROSSE has moved to Cleveland Heights, Ohio, where he is sales representative for National Gypsum. His family is made up of a son and two young daughters. It is a little late to report the birth of Steven Richard Taylor, born Nov. 19. His mother is LENORE CARNEY TAYLOR.

1944

Walter Cross Hausheer arrived December 13. Proud father is DR. WALTER HAUSHEER, medical resident at the Halloran VA Hospital. The mother is the former LUCILE CROSS. MARION RAPPOLD BUCHANAN has much good news to report. First, the usual, they have a son, born July 18, named Breton John. Husband Bill is coach of all sports in Florala, (Ala.) High School and in appreciation of his football team's record last season, the townspeople presented the Buchanans with a completely electric kitchen. Marion also writes about MARJORIE BRIDGES, who is now modelling in Hollywood and will appear in the new Lana Turner movie (title unknown). Also, she was the focal point in a full-page ad in the February issue of "Charm" magazine.

1945

FRANK P. DALY has been awarded the L.L.B. degree from the School of Law, St. John's University, January 1950. A son, John Ottó, was born to Mr. and Mrs. JOHN MENTHA February 27. Mrs. Mentha is the former GERDA PAHNKE. ADA SCHEEHL VOSBURGH is now living in Palatine Bridge, N. Y. Her second daughter was born July 17.

1946

LILYAN BENNETT MULVANEY '46N reports her new occupation as "mama to a baby girl." We are looking forward to moving into our new home," she writes. "It should be completed by July." It is with extreme regret that we announce the tragic death of the parents of ELLEN (BILLIE) KLITGAARD. They were driving to join her in California when their station wagon collided with a bus in Texas. Billie is living with her sister, Mrs. F. Baker, at 47 Sotelo Ave., San Francisco.

1947

ROY LINDBERG is teaching philosophy and psychology at Roanoke College. VINCENT CHIOLA, having received his M.S. in chemistry from Texas U., is now working for General Aniline Corp. RALPH MAGALEE spoke briefly to Lutheran Men of Queens at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Bellerose, L. I., on the same program with Dr. Langsam, February 20. They hope to give him a mobile dental unit to take back to British Guiana upon his graduation from N. Y. U. Dental School in 1951. WILLIAM (BUD) HENNESSY is proud papa of Gail Ann who was born on March 8. NORMAN and ALICE TREGDE (N47) JOHNSON, who are living in Providence, R. I., are parents of a daughter born March 26. NORMAN H. FOWLER will be graduated from the Philadelphia Seminary on May 18. He has been called to St. Trinitatis Lutheran Church, Jersey City. He expects to be ordained by the United Lutheran Synod of New York on June 7. He has been acting as supply pastor for St. Johns Hungarian-Wend Lutheran Church, Perth Amboy, N. J.

1948

RUSSELL JICHA and SHIRLEY JANE CONOPASK are married and living on Staten Island. LAROY S. DIETRICH received his M. S. degree in bio-chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in January 1950. He is continuing his studies for the doctor's degree in the same field. ARTHUR S. FINK announces the birth of his daughter, Louise Jean, on October 24, 1949. He is married to the former Eliz-

abeth Ryder. BENJAMIN CERTO is employed by the California Oil Company as assistant supervisor of products, production, and quality control. ELISHA (IGGY) DARSON had another fine year as coach of the Staten Island Day School basketball team. His club won the Metropolitan Private Schools Championship and won 16 and lost 2 over the season. It's a boy for the CLAUDE GEFFKENS, just an hour or two before April Fools Day. Mama is VIOLET DITTMER '46. BERTHA WALBERT '48 is resident head nurse at the Moravian College for Women, Bethlehem, Pa.

1949

JOSE MATOS, who will receive his M.A. degree from Columbia in June, is one of 48 accepted for the School of Tropical Medicine of the University of Puerto Rico. He is one of four from the United States; other three from Columbia, Fordham, and the Citadel. ERIC SCHMIDLING is now in the Bahamas as station agent setting up stations for Resort Airlines. WILLIAM SCHORKOPF reports, "Unfortunately, I am still a student." He is studying at N.Y.U. and is matriculated for the M.A. degree in Education. MARGARET CHRISTIE received her nursing cap at the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in Chicago recently. She is president of the freshman class there. The engagement of HAROLD GEORGE, Jr., to Margaret McCarthy has been announced. He is employed by the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Co., New York. ROBERT WHITEHEAD, Jr., is a student at Columbia University. REMI BAECHTOLD is back in America for several months. Employed as a Johns-Manville distributor in Switzerland, he came to this country to take a special training course in J. M. methods and is working with them in their Manhattan office. He will sail for Switzerland in the middle of May. TED DENTON, having finished at Brooklyn Law School with the LL.B. degree, is now associated with the law firm of DeForest, Elder, and Mulreany. FRANK TOMLINSON has joined the technical staff of Esso's Bayway refinery as a chemist. MARIE G. SHEPPARD is working for an M.A. degree in administration in schools of nursing at the N.Y.U. School of Education. BARBARA BRANN is office manager for Sky-Coach, Inc., Manhattan. A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Plata (ELIZABETH THOMAS). CURTIS GEIGEL is at the N.Y.U. graduate school of mathematics earning his M.S. degree. HELEN SUP '49N is working at Haloran VA Hospital as a graduate student at the Boston University College of Business Administration. GLORIA HER-

RADA is now living in Easton, Pa. Her company (General Aniline Corp.) transferred her to their Easton division. BETTY BONDESEN GARDNER '49N is living in Minneapolis where her husband is studying at the University of Minnesota. They have a daughter almost ten months old. BILL SMITH and FRED MORTENSEN are studying at New York Medical College.

1950

WILLIAM LEXANDER married Lilian Walter January 28. STANLEY KNULL and WALTER WREDE are students at Mt. Airy Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia. HOWARD GUHL commutes 800 miles each weekend between his studies at the Philadelphia Seminary and his pulpit appearances in Western New York at Farnham and Silver Creek. MARY I. COTE writes that she is principal of a four-room school in Webb, Saskatchewan. Nursing alumna ALLEEN BARTOLOME is now Mrs. Frank Grigoletto and she lives in Brooklyn. HERB HEWITT is working in the Stewardship office of the United Lutheran Church in America. His boss is HENRY ENDRESS '38. LOU GIANVITO is a student at New York Medical College.

Loyalty Fund Contributors

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NURSING ALUMNAE

Eda Aanonsen N48
Dean Mary Burr
Aileen Bartolome Grigoletto '49N
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Jean Oeder La Hart N46
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Helen Sipp '49N
Ruth Tellefsen N48
Bertha Walbert '48N
Gladys Wichmann '47N

Alumni often ask us why they receive catalogues, notices of Pre-Freshman Day and scholarship exams, and similar notices. The answer is simple- we conceive of every alumnus as a field agent for student recruitment. Every one of you ought to know someone who is thinking about going to college.

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The annual reunion of Sigma Delta Phi was held on May 5 at the college. Walter Bock '38 was the morning chapel speaker, and a dinner was held at the Plaza Casino with Charles Hellriegel '38 as toastmaster.

CONSTITUTION REVISIONS

A special committee was appointed by the executive committee of the Alumni Association to study the constitution of the Association. The result of their study was the proposal of several revisions which are to be submitted to the annual meeting of the Association for vote.

Significant changes suggested are the revision of Article III on Membership which is changed to include all who have attended Wagner at least one academic year as members of the Association; a revision of Article IV which eliminates the non-existent office of associate vice-president, removed the restrictions on the number of terms a president can hold office (it's now two one-year terms) and provides that the officers elected in June take office on Sept. 1 following their election; a change in Article IX which revises the nominating procedure. It proposes that only one name be nominated for each office rather than two as at present. It makes provisions for balloting for mail and for additional nominations from the floor, procedures which are now common without constitutional sanction.

A final revision (of Article XI) provides that constitutional amendments such as these must be presented to the members of the Association at least one month in advance of the meeting at which they are to be acted upon. The present constitution simply says, "The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the annual meeting."

The committee advances these reasons for the proposed changes. The membership change simply makes constitutional that which the alumni office has been doing in effect for years. Large numbers of non-grads are now carried on our mailing list (there would be more if we could find addresses). Associate vice-presidents are being discarded because the presidents of the regional chapters now perform the functions outlined for these vice-presidents.

The lifting of the restrictions of two years in the presidential office is suggested because the expansion of alumni activities has so enlarged the work of the alumni president that he begins to be really effective only after being in office at least a year. It takes him that long to learn the ropes. The committee feels that it is just at the point of greatest efficiency that we say he's no longer eligible for office.

The suggestion that nominees for office be limited to one grows out of the experience of the nominating committee. There have been occasions when the committee sought for "straw men" when unanimous about a single candidate. On other occasions there has been ill feeling from con-

tests. To prevent these eventualities, the committee has proposed these revisions.

The important thing to remember is that these are only proposals. The alumni themselves in annual session June 2 will make the ultimate decisions. No one wants to foist these ideas upon the Association without "due process of law." Come and cast your vote.

Remember, too, that these proposals are the product of a committee study. They do not necessarily represent the ideas of the Alumni Secretary, although he was a member of the committee. The other members were Don Race '30, Paul Kirsch '33 and Wally Bock '38.

LATE NEWS ITEMS

Alyce H. Crocco '50 was married to John Ferretti on Easter Day. The day before saw the wedding of Ed Megerian '50 and Gene Midgett, who is to be graduated in June.

The Staten Island Advance lists Melchior DiCarlo-Cottone '50 and Rosemary Cavano, Eric Sellars '50 and Sonja Matthews, Victor Wightman '49 and Ursula Mooz '53 among the applicants for marriage licenses, but no news of wedding dates was available when we went to press.

We have also heard that Omar Gjerness '50 was married, but have no details. Fred Hurst '50 is doing graduate work at Brooklyn College. Donald Hafer '48 leaves soon for the Philippines for further graduate study. He already has a Master's degree from Clark University.

Elsie Ball '48 became Mrs. Truman G. Searle on April 10 at Christ Episcopal Church on Staten Island.

Roy Lindberg '47 represented Wagner at the inauguration of President Oberly of Roanoke College on April 14. Roy is

member of the Roanoke faculty. Carroll Dawson '40 is celebrating the arrival of a brand new daughter, born April 11. Dr. Walter Ruccius '14, pastor of Epiphany church, Hempstead, L. I., resigned his post after many years of service to accept a call to Grace church, Santa Barbara, Cal. The Rev. Henry Cornish '43 will be nearer Alma Mater after May 15. He leaves St. Pauls church, Nanuet, New York, to come to Christ church, Great Kills, Staten Island.

Add to the list of Loyalty Fund contributors- Susette Meyer '41 and George Buljin '30. George also sent along a grand slogan which we plan to use at a later date. George called his gift "my mite toward a mightier Wagner."

The cover photo is by Herb Hewitt '50. The pictures of Professors DeWalsh, Davidheiser, and Sutter are by Matt Scaffa '50; the cartoons by Don Brockman '50, and the choir tour pictures by George Handley '52.

THE MIGHTY MITE

(Continued from Page 5)

Herb has sensible ideas about Wagner's athletic future. Madison Square Garden and Bowl football games are not for us. He plans to schedule good teams in our own class and to try to build our teams to meet that kind of program. The so-called "big time" is not in his mind.

Wagner's fine Conference memberships- the Eastern Collegiate, the Middle Atlantic States, Metropolitan Basketball Association, the greater New York Basketball Conference and (next year) the Metropolitan Baseball Conference... these bear witness to the effective job Herb Sutter is doing. So are the fine schedules and the fine players that wear a Seahawk uniform.

A Mighty Mite indeed!



REMEMBER WHEN? An old College Day performance circa 1926. On the platform (left to right) John Futchs, Jack Wagner, Bill Niebank, Gus Weber, Jerry Knudsen, and Fred Ludwig. Photo supplied by Mrs. Carl (Ave Holthusen) Futchs.

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If you are planning to attend the annual business meeting of the Alumni Association on June 2, you may vote then. If you cannot attend, you may mail this ballot to the Alumni Office before June 1. Blank spaces are for write-in votes. Check the box in front of your choice. Vote for one for each office.

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