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Dear ABA Members:

We hope that everyone had a very "Merry Christmas" and a nice restful vacation. We hope that you had time to study and prepare for finals which will be upon us shortly. The Newsletter staff hopes that all ABA members will have as an enjoyable second semester as the first has been. We hope that you will support Mu Chapter as much as possible in the coming months so that we can say this has been the best year ever. Have a "Happy New Year."

OFFICERS OF ABA, MU CHAPTER
1962-63

President	Judy Summers
Vice-President	Jeanette Alex
Secretary-Treasurer	Jeanette Marks
Historian	Philip Loveall
Sponsors	Miss Anderson Mrs. Fagerburg

MEETINGS 1st SEMESTER 1962

On September 17, Mu Chapter held its first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Fagerburg. A large number of members attended as well as a number of guests. Judy Summers presided at the meeting. The program was given by three ISNU graduates, Mrs. Delores Keerns Brooks, Mrs. Elsie Wilkins Evelsizer, and Mr. Richard Brandolino. They told of their experiences in school libraries and commented on the

adequacy of their training at ISNU. All of those present enjoyed the program and the hospitality of Mrs. Fagerburg.

OCTOBER

The faculty lounge in Hovey Hall was the site of the October 1 meeting of Mu Chapter. The meeting consisted of initiation and pledging of members. Faculty members initiated were Miss Laura Addison, Miss Jean Nelson, Miss Doris Brainard, Miss Mary Richmond, Mr. Glenn Gritmacher and Mr. Ronald Reed. Students initiated were Clara Doorn, Susan Jolliff, Carolyn Kellogg, Barbara LaBedz, Karen Little, Sondra Preston, Joy Rolofson, and Arlita Warrick.

The new pledges were Janice Beth, Paula Keener, Janet Kopriya, Mrs. Jean Myers, Janet Schwab, Beverly Stahlak, Evelyn Thierbach, Mrs. Ken Trimpe, Barbara Van Ness, and Kay Ward. Following the ceremonies Barbara Galloway presented a very interesting book report on The Status Seekers by Vance Packard.

NOVEMBER

The third meeting of the year was held in the Carnegie Room on November 5. The chapter voted to purchase ten new pledge pins. Judy Summers announced that the National Convention would be held April 26 and 27 at Cedar Falls, Iowa. Mr. Roland McCannon of the Illinois Reading Service gave the program, "Russia Comes to Life in Pictures." Mr. McCannon was one of a group of educators who was selected to go to Russia to view their educational system. Mr. McCannon gave a

very vivid description of the life and people of Russia and then narrated as he showed slides of his trip. Mr. McCannon's program was as entertaining as it was informative.

DECEMBER

The annual Christmas party was held at the home of Miss Eunice Speer on December 3. President Judy Summers conducted the business meeting. A plan for staging of paperback book sale was passed by the chapter. Permission must now be granted by the university in order for Mu to be able to hold this project. Following the short business meeting the Christmas story was read followed by carol singing. Miss Anderson, Mrs. Fagerburg, and Miss Speer were given floral presents in appreciation of their countless contributions to the welfare of ABA and specifically to Mu Chapter. Miss Grace Shea presented the original bulletins that she had written while working at Metcalf School. Miss Shea is now almost half finished with a book which is a compilation of her bulletins. Christa Altier was elected to serve as Vice-President to fill the vacancy left by Jeanette Alex's advancement to President of Mu for the second semester. Judy Summers will not be on campus second semester.

Games with a Christmas theme were played after which refreshments were served by Miss Speer. This meeting certainly helped to put everyone in a Christmas spirit.

FUTURE MEETINGS

January 7 is the first meeting of the new year for Mu Chapter. Mrs. Orval Yargar of the Co-op Bookstore will present a talk on the topic of "A College Bookstore." This meeting will be held in the Carnegie Room.

On February 4 initiation and pledging will be the primary function of the meeting. This meeting will also be held in the Carnegie Room.

March 4 will find the meeting at the home of Dr. Hertel. Dr. Herbert Goldhor, Associate Director of the Graduate School of Library Science at the University of Illinois, will be the guest speaker.

Miss Speer will present the program for the April 1 meeting. She will talk on church libraries. The Carnegie Room will be the site of this meeting.

The last meeting of the year will be held on May 6 in the Carnegie Room. Miss Louise Love will explain the purpose of the Carnegie Room and show some of its many treasures.

May 18 is the date of the annual Founders' Day Banquet. All members and pledges are urged to attend these future meetings. All of these meetings will be of great interest to anyone interested in libraries.

FIRST SEMESTER PLEDGES

Mike Anderson - Effingham - Sophomore
English Major

Janice Beth - Carpentersville -
Junior - Elementary

Paula Kesner - Elgin - Junior -
Elementary

Janet Kopriya - Oak Lawn, Junior -
Elementary

Mrs. Joan Myers - Delavan - Senior -
English

Janet Schwab - Mokena - Freshman -
Biology

Beverly Stahlak - Worth - Junior -
Social Science

Evelyn Thierbach - Carpentersville -
Junior - Elementary

Mrs. Ken Trimpe - Bloomington -
Sophomore - English

Barbara Van Ness - Bradley -
Sophomore - Biology

Kay Ward - Lockport - Junior -
Social Science

FIRST SEMESTER STUDENT TEACHERS

FIRST NINE WEEKS

Mary Norma Sutter - Bloomington
Mary taught at University High
School in English, journalism,
and library.

Arlene Formberg - Chicago
Arlene taught at Arlington
Heights in English and Library
in the high school.

Marcia Baker - Deland
Marcia taught at Decatur at the
high school in English and
library.

Janice Christensen - Sherrard
Janice taught at Pekin in
elementary at Jefferson Elemen-
tary School.

Janet Hoebet - Grant Park
Janet taught at Clarendon Hills
in elementary at Walker Elemen-
tary School.

Wanda Fanter - Bath
Wanda taught at Springfield in
elementary at the West Grand
Elementary School.

SECOND NINE WEEKS

Barbara Galloway - Paris
Barbara is doing her student
teaching in Springfield at Grant
Junior High School.

Wanda Fanter - Bath
Wanda is doing her library student
teaching at Metcalf as a library
consultant.

Carolyn Kellogg - Normal
Carolyn is doing her student teach-
ing at Arlington Heights in the
elementary field.

All of these people worked or are
working under recognized school lib-
rarians in order to get the valuable
learning experience that is desired.

ALUMNI PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Simmons were
proud parents of a seven pound baby
girl on October 21. Mrs. Simmons is
the former Sharon Phelps. The Simmons'
have named their new addition Janet
LeeAnn. They are living in Clinton,
Illinois, and have just recently moved
into their new home. The Simmons'
hope to attend the ABA coffee hour next
year at homecoming.

Mrs. Richard Begolka was on the
ISNU campus September 27, with the
Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs.
Mrs. Begolka is a representative of the
Junior Clubs. She is also chairman of
the Education and Literature Depart-
ment of her Atlanta club. The Begolkas
have two energetic young boys, Bradley
J. and Gerald Lee.

Mrs. Betty Kershaw Thompson, an
ISNU graduate is a farmer's wife and
mother of two children, a boy and a
girl. In her spare time Mrs. Thompson
writes poems, some of which have been
published in "Good Housekeeping" and
"Ladies Home Journal."

Mrs. Gloria Ketchmark Jurazak of
Wenona, wife of an ISNU graduate, is
the mother of a new little girl,
Kathleen. Since her new arrival Mrs.
Jurazak has had to forego teaching
English as she formerly did. She has,

however, been able to spend two afternoons a week in the high school library. Mrs. Jurazak has influenced two of our students to come to ISNU for library training. They are Wanda Fanter and Mary Klickman. Mrs. Jurazak says that up until a few years ago she thought that librarians did nothing but check out books. Now she finds there is more to librarianship and tells us that organizing a library is "great fun" and definitely a challenge.

MAJOR PROGRAM FOR ISNU?

On many college campuses across the state, librarians and educators are discussing the problem of how to get more trained school librarians and how to interest more people in entering the field of library work. That there is a definite need for qualified school librarians is undeniable. As an example of this need, out of three-hundred seventy-three library vacancies in high schools, three-hundred seventeen of these openings were for full-time school library jobs. Dr. Hertel, director of Milner Library on the ISNU campus, indicated that many librarians feel that the fact that only programs for minors in Library Science are offered in most schools is one reason behind the failure to recruit more school librarians. In view of this fact, the staff at Milner Library is considering plans for a program which will enable students to major in Library Science. The emphasis in this program will be on preparing librarians specifically for school work. Instead of extensively increasing the number of Library Science courses, the staff will expect students to take a variety of courses in all fields of knowledge. These library majors will, in addition, have a teaching minor. As yet the plans for implementing this program are in the formative stage, but it

is hoped that by this spring definite steps can be taken toward making the above ideas possible.

Once the above plans are put into operation, work will be started on plans for a master's program in Library Science to start within the next two or three years. The master's program will also be geared toward the preparation of school librarians.

EXPANSION OF MILNER LIBRARY

Exciting new plans are in the air around Milner Library as plans begin to materialize for the new addition to the library. This three-story addition, which will extend the library south into what is now the parking lot, is only the first step in the total expansion picture. Even with this stride forward, however, the library will begin to change in appearance within. These are some of the tentative plans as Dr. Hertel, director of Milner, outlined them. Starting on the basement level, the plans eventually call for moving the museum to new quarters. Following this move, the Teaching Materials Center will be housed in the old museum rooms. The present library classroom will become a room for the study of documents and will open directly into the stack section where the documents are stored. The library classroom will be moved to the new section and will be expanded into a suite consisting of five or six classrooms, the library science staff offices, and a large room designed for Alpha Beta Alpha meetings.

The ground floor of the library where the reserve rooms are now located, will change drastically in appearance. On this floor a rare book room will occupy the space where the Teaching Materials Center is now found. A browsing room, a listening room for recordings, and an area set aside for student smoking will also be found on this level. Stack levels with reading rooms opening off of them will be found on all

floors, and the receiving room for new materials will be on the ground floor of the library.

The reference room on the top floor of Milner will remain where it is; however, the periodicals will be moved to a separate room, and the stacks containing older copies of the periodicals will open off of this special room. The processing department will expand into what is now the Carnegie Room, and the present browsing room will become a faculty lounge. When these expansions are complete, there should be about six hundred thirteen additional seats in the library.

As of now the plans are roughly drawn; doubtless there will be several changes before the final plans are completed and approved. As soon as the plans are finished, work is to start on the addition. Dr. Hertel expressed the hope that the staff will be able to begin the tremendous task of moving into various rooms during the summer of 1964 in order that Milner will be ready to serve its patrons more adequately in September of 1964.

ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP

The Newsletter would like to bring to the attention of ABA members that they may retain their membership in ABA after graduation. Alumni have two choices if they choose to maintain their membership. The first kind of membership is the Five Year Membership. The cost is five dollars for the five year period.

The second kind is the life Membership. The cost is only fifteen dollars, and it entitles the member to full privileges in the fraternity for life. If you are

interested, contact one of the chapter sponsors.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

This is just a reminder to let you know that the National Convention will be held April 26 and 27, at Cedar Falls, Iowa. Any member is permitted to attend and take part in the convention. This will be a very valuable experience for anyone who is considering going into any kind of library work. Contact any of the officers or the sponsors for further information.

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