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Anne M. Balling

Reflecting...
Miss Balling

Very familiar to all of us and especially to the seniors is Miss Anne M. Balling, who is an executive secretary in the department of education and a member of our department of student teaching and placement.

Miss Balling is originally from Newark, attended a private school and graduated from Barringer High School. She received her B.S. and M.A. degree from Columbia University.

Aside from teaching the sixth grade in New Brunswick for a while, she has been at Newark State since 1913, first as a student and then in her present capacity. She now has the honor of being the senior member of the faculty in years of service.

Originally engaged to teach geography, this member of our staff received her present position quite by chance. When she arrived at Newark State, the teaching assignments were all filled and she was offered the job she now holds. Through the years she has made many acquaintances—members of the various boards of education as well as several of the six thousand students that have passed through her hands.

Miss Balling now lives in Bloomfield where she carries on her many and varied hobbies. She likes to do things with her hands and enjoys music, crocheting, knitting, sewing and cooking as well as such things as driving and working in her garden.

Though she doesn't teach any classes, she will have a great bearing on all of our lives and we're certainly lucky to have her with us.

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**Shop Talk**

by Tumi Saporito, ’54

The first I. A. Guild meeting of the year was held on Wednesday, October 3. The enthusiasm with which this year’s officers conducted the meeting predicted a successful year ahead.

Mr. Joe Lynch, treasurer, reported a balance of $106 as the club’s financial status. Vice-president John Muniz gave an introductory talk previewing the events of the coming year. Dr. Frankson reminded those present of the I. A. convention, usually held in March. He proposed that the committee in charge endeavor to allocate space for various visual-aid slides produced by the fellows so that they might be displayed.

John Munis suggested the Guild plan a social affair and after some discussion, a Friday night was decided upon, with the social committee arranging particulars. In conclusion, Dr. Frankson firmly requested that each member participate wholeheartedly in making this year a memorable one in the history of the Industrial Arts Guild.

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**Letters To The Editor**

October 14, 1951

Dear Editor:

What is that wonderful trend, progressive education, reserved only for fortunate elementary schools, and not practical in a college?

In the eyes of the educators, how mature is a college student? If the students come here because of their own desire to acquire an education, why should they be held back by being required to write time-consuming reports, the essence of which only say, “Yes, teacher, I did my homework.” Do you find, as Mark Twain said that your work interferes with your studies?

Signed,
A Sophomore

October 10, 1951

Dear Editor:

What’s this I hear about Miss Newark State contest being cancelled last year for the reason, “It would not be dignified.” This was to be sponsored by a student group.

The catch is that the same thing is all right this year in the name of “MISS BOND ISSUE.” The Bond Issue suddenly makes it “dignified.”

Signed,
“Disturbed”

October 8, 1951

Dear Editor:

What a SURPRISE! ! ! Women enter collegiate sports. I’m very happy to see it, Mr. Editor. Hope to see it again on the back page—3rd column, first paragraph.

Sincerely,
George Johnston, ’52

**What Is a Freshman?**

by Eileen De Coursey, ’54

Between the innocence of high school and the dignity of a college sophomore there is a delightful character called a freshman. A freshman is a baby-faced, wide-eyed mysterious being who exhibits simultaneously the mildness of a lamb, the audacity of a senior, the wildness of a puppy and the lung power of an elephant.

Freshmen come in all sizes as-small-as-tall, and just right. They can usually be found looking for, running to, climbing over, and hiding behind the book bag that is their constant companion.

Scorned by sophomores, tolerated by juniors, pitied by seniors, freshmen exist in a happy-go-lucky, rose-colored dream world where fleglings are kings and even the lowliest is mighty.

Freshmen are discriminatingly fine collectors of assorted junk. No one else could cram into one notebook a broken nail file, two Pepsodent caps, less pencils, half a cheese sandwich, two dozen Kleenex, one grass-stained sweater, and a dismantled futophone.

A freshman is a hobby-soxer in heels, a hot-rodder in white bucks and a sophisticate in distress. Altogether, freshmen are the ignoble, ignored victims of a distinctive year-long caste system who will only achieve freedom when they hear those two magic and all powerful words, “Hi Soph!”

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**Editorial**

One of the problems the Student Council met with this year was explaining to the organizations why they must continue to operate on the same appropriations they received last year, despite the fact that their requests were legitimate. The Council has done its best this year to grant appropriations as nearly as possible to what the club received last year. It was able to do this only by dipping into the Student Organization Reserve Fund.

At the end of this year your clubs and organizations will be sending to the Student Council requests for appropriations which will in many cases be equal to or exceed this year’s requests. How will these requests be met? Will these organization leaders go away next year from a Student Council meeting with “We just haven’t any money,” ringing in their ears? Will they, due to the continuous rise in costs, be forced to do less or lay aside their plans for improvements? They shouldn’t have to do this.

Is it possible that the activity fee which each student pays at registration time should be raised? Perhaps it would be well to face this problem now rather than wait until the problem is upon us again next October. Or is it even possible that the activity fee should be raised for the second semester of this academic year?

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**Sharps and Flats**

Any time seems to be an excellent time to view musical and operatic programs and the REFLECTOR staff has scouted around to give you an idea on the selections appearing currently.

SYMphony: The Griffith Foundation is sponsoring several symphonies throughout the year. One, which will be held on Thursday, November 1 at eight thirty P.M., will feature the music of Bach, Mozart, and Holst. David Seldenberg will be the conductor.

The programs will be held at the Griffith Auditorium at 605 Broad Street in Newark.

OPERA: The New York City Opera Company currently appearing at New York City Center has scheduled some excellent operatic programs. On Saturday, October 27, Carmen will be given at the afternoon and Faust will be featured that evening. Both performances will be sung in French. Madame Butterfly (in Italian) is scheduled for the matinee on Sunday, October 28 and on Wednesday evening, October 31, the Love of Three Oranges will be sung in English.

Cavalleria Rusticana and Pagliacci will be presented in Italian on Friday evening, Nov. 2; Aida will be the feature selection at the matinee on Sunday, November 4. There will be a repeat performance of Aida on November 9.

The price lists of seats and the entire program of this opera company is on the bulletin board in room 34.

MOTION PICTURES: An American in Paris, now playing at Radio City Music Hall, features Gene Kelly in the title role and introduces a new star, Leslie Caron. This film contains George Gershwin’s sparkling songs with such hits as “I’ve Got Rhythm,” “Nice Work If You Can Get It,” “Our Love Is Here To Stay,” and “Stairway to Heaven.” By the way the American Museum of Natural History is running a series, Around the World in Dance. (Yes, we said the Museum of Natural History!)

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**The Wilkins' Visit Our Southern Neighbor Mexico**

by Eugenie Walker, '54

If Dr. Wilkins should mix a little Spanish with his Texan drawl every once in a while this year it's quite understandable—he took two trips to Mexico this summer. On their first trip the Wilkins' (Mrs. Wilkins and their two children, Jocelyn, fourteen, and John, twelve) drove three thousand miles, part of the way on the new Pan American Highway.

Mrs. Wilkins and the children spent the summer at Cuernavaca, where her mother is director of the English school. Many of the authors of their present best sellers live in this Mexican city. In fact Cuernavaca is almost a writers and artists colony. On the whole, the standard of living is much lower in this city and in the surrounding cities than in our country. Servants can be employed for 75 pesos a month, which is equivalent to less than ten dollars in our money. Dr. Wilkins, not quite as lucky as the authors, was informed that he had to return to the States for the summer session at college. He heartily recommends the airplane as a wonderful means of transportation, especially if one is interested in the geography of our country. Incidentally, it also saves time—our president was swimming in a pool at Cuernavaca at five one evening, in Washington, D.C. at ten thirty the next morning, and back in his office at Newark State that afternoon.

When the Wilkins' returned from their vacation, Dr. Wilkins flew back to Mexico City. Picking up his family in Cuernavaca, he drove to the famous resort on the southern coast of Mexico—Acapulco. He had visited this much-read-about place sixteen years before and could note many changes that had occurred. However, he was amused at the fact that haircuts were still being given on a box in the street, just the way they were when he was there last.

The Wilkins family also found it very interesting to watch the native divers diving for scallops. Before their dive these deeply religious people would climb barefoot, up the surface of the rocks to a little shrine, where it was their custom to say a prayer. Their dives often carried them down a distance of a hundred and thirty feet or more in the search of their bread.

Before leaving Mexico, the Wilkins' visited relatives living in Monterey, Saltillo, and San Luis Potosi. An unforgettable part of their homeward trip was a visit to the last known on horseback at midnight to the most active volcano in the world—Paricutin. It was erupting continuously ever since. Tласкор Индианы led the horses up the side, and all the time the volcano kept rocking unceasingly while they were there. Dr. Wilkins said that he had never experienced such a sight. Rocks as big as the human body were thrown out onto the edge of the crater. The ground shook unceasingly while they were there. Dr. Wilkins told us that he had never experienced such a sight.

Coming home they toured the plateau section of Mexico and the United States, taking in part of Texas and Oklahoma. It was a time of intense dryness. They experienced the hottest weather ever recorded in that vicinity while passing through. Having slept under blankets most of the time in Mexico, they weren't at all prepared for the change. And now, in case anyone is interested in finding a bit of Mexico in New Jersey, perhaps Mr. Hutchinson grew up in Pennsylvania a few years ago in a peasant's field, it has been erupting continuously ever since. Tласкор Индианы led the horses up the side, and all the time the volcano kept rocking unceasingly while they were there. Dr. Wilkins said that he had never experienced such a sight. Rocks as big as the human body were thrown out onto the edge of the crater. The ground shook unceasingly while they were there. Dr. Wilkins told us that he had never experienced such a sight.

As soon as the se year is of- fi cial of these developments, the organization of Jewish students will also be welcomed. It is hoped that representatives from these groups will be chosen to serve on an Inter-Faith Coun- cil which will further unify and solidify the activities of all the or- ganizations interested in spiritual growth.

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**Spiritual Groups Unite in Clubs**

Plans have been laid to stimulate the growth of spiritual organizations within the college. A Catholic group, the Newman Club, has been in operation a year and a half, and a Protestant group, the Inter Varsity Christian Fellow- ship, has been meeting unofficially for a longer time.

With the cooperation of the Y.M.C.A., Ministerial Association of Newark, Student Christian As- sociation, and the Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship, the students and college authorities are work- ing on a charter broad enough to include all Protestant denomina- tions. The organization of Jewish students will also be welcomed.

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**Socialites**

Grace Koepchen, Senior 2, was engaged on September 28, to Mr. Ernie Schepman, a native of Kan- sas. Mr. Schepman is a graduate of Northwestern and is now em- ployed as a chemical engineer at Esso Standard Oil Company.

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**Vote for the Bond Issue**

by Rose D'Allegro '52

"I'm in the fourth grade, second layer, third shift."
It's very difficult that many schools possess such spirit as Newark State does under the same conditions which it is placed under. We have a small gym for our basketball players and are actually ridiculed by visiting teams because of its size. The team takes its laps out in the sunken garden since no track is available on the school grounds. During baseball season, the team practiced wherever they were able to find a half way decent field. Yes, we certainly are handicapped as far as material things go, but this impediment seems to have gotten us more than money can ever buy—and that's spirit. Not only team spirit on the part of the team itself, but also on the part of the student body and faculty. Many basketball games are attended by faculty members who can cheer as well as any student. Last year there were good crowds at both home and away games but team spirit didn't end on the basketball court. Talks could be heard in lockers, corridors, and the dining hall about some phase of a game. This interest didn't come by chance. Mr. D'Angola has worked hard over a long period of years to build up our athletic department and has been successful despite the lack of facilities. The students have helped him. This year take an interest and participate in all phases of school athletics such as swimming, track, sports, and basketball. And remember our basketball team. See them in action every chance you get with the same spirit you have been watching them in the past. As long as this spirit is prevalent at Newark State, our basketball court won't seem small and the "Sunken Garden" won't be such a bad place to run laps after all.

The basketball team has gotten a turnout from the freshman fellows for tryouts. When we say "Good" we mean about five or six. Considering the fact that so few boys come to Newark State, it's surprising that such a high percentage of them have athletic ability. Jim Daly, a freshman and graduate of St. Michael's, seems to have the potentialities of playing on the first string varsity. At any rate, he looks like good material and we certainly hope he makes out well.

There's a former varsity basketball player and graduate of N.S.T. C. who is often seen walking around with a little satchel. To the freshman who don't know him, he's Al Cohn. He is now working for his master's but that satchel doesn't contain work for his thesis but shorts and sneakers. Al is keeping in shape with hopes that he may be eligible for the bond issue.

Spirit at Newark State
by Nick Sivolella, '54

Four days before the ballpark opened the bond issue explaining their part in activating interest in physical education on campus was presented by Miss Thompson, college librarian and Kappa Delta Pi members under the direction of Dr. Vaughn-Eames. In part, he stated:

"We are all extremely proud of the fact that this is one of the oldest training institutions in the country. We are now in our ninety-fifth year.

"In 1855, a normal training class was established in Newark and classes met Saturday mornings from 8:30-12:30, by order of the Board of Education.

"In 1878, graduation from high school became a pre-requisite and the course was advanced to one year. 1888 brought a two-year curriculum, with agitation for an even longer period of training, which did not materialize until 1914 and the first classes graduated un-graduation. Since that time educational standards in New Jersey have steadily progressed and improved; these graduates were the building on the present site erected even longer period of training, curriculum, with agitation for an

Joseph Chagnon
It's Swell To Be Back

Perhaps you have noticed the blond, stocky addition to the class of '54; he is Joseph Chagnon. Maybe some of the upper classmen will remember Joe, because he started here in "Dear Old Newark" in September of 1949, coming from the Marine Corps where he had been a corporal. Joe had an active year—he was a member of the weight lifting club, was on the basketball team, and was his section's representative to the Student Organization. He was so well liked he was elected president of his class for the sophomore year. In Joe's own words he "lasted just long enough to hold one meeting and turn the presidency over to someone else"; he was going back in the Marines as a sergeant. Once again Joe is starting Newark, this time as a Sophomore. He says it is swell to be back. He is off to a good start this year, too, being elected to the G. E. Men's Guild's executive board as the sophomore's representative. Let's hope he stays to finish this time.

Financial Support
Given a Boniface

Newark State's two thousand dollar goal to help finance the public relations bond issue is almost realized. All of the faculty and college staff have made contributions as well as the students and donors from the alumni association are still pouring in.

But the job isn't finished yet. Beavers who find campus can help by personal contacts—seeing that the people on your block know what this referendum issue is all about, answering questions, and urging them to vote. Those of you who have cars could offer to transport people to the polls on election day. And those of us who own no car and arrive places via Public Service can serve as babysitters to allow mothers a chance to vote.

Support the bond issue
Give the citizens the facts
Bring the vote to the people
VOTE YES ON NOVEMBER 6th

It's A Shame.... We're Poor!!

Sorry to inform you that many articles are missing from this issue. We failed to get an increase since the student council; therefore, we can only put out four pages instead of eight.

Frank Marmo, Editor

Page Four

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Ernie Hobbie
We Apologize!!

Ernie Hobbie, class of '51, was scheduled for induction into the Army September 17, but was given a postponement until June 14, 1952.

Hobbie is attending Newark State Teachers College as a graduate student working for his M.A. He has been stationed in Rahway and Cranford during the day.

On his off days, Ernie plays golf and watches sports on television. He is looking forward to playing semi-pro basketball and baseball with the Cranford "Clippers."

We of the Reflecter staff wish Hobbie the best of luck and we apologize fer having Ernie listed in the U. S. Army in our September 15 issue.

Alumni Corner
Alumni Hold Homecoming Nite;
Speech Depicts College History
by Pat M. Burke, '54

On Friday, October 9th, the alumni association held a homecoming at eight o'clock in the college auditorium. Henry Goehl, a member of the class of 1914, was invited speaker and addressed prepared by Miss Thompson.