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# Teacher Trainees Are Sought

A unique and challenging opportunity is offered to students who want to get a master's degree scot-free and become specialists in a profession that is rewarding both financially and in terms of personal satisfaction. The profession is that of teaching the deaf and hard of hearing. The master's degree is Gallaudet College. offered at Washigton, D. C. The cost is nothing except a desire to enter this rapidly expanding field and willingness to give a year's time to study and preparation. Uncle Sam provides all the rest.

Let us suppose that you have completed your bachelor's degree, can devote another year to study, provided it costs you nothing, and would like an opportunity to become an expert in a field that promises unusual openings all over the United States and in foreign countries. You apply for a graduate fellowship, spend a winter in exciting Washington, D. C. at government expense, and, upon your graduation take your pick of literally hundreds of jobs. Lowest

starting pay runs from \$4400.00 to \$5400.00. Salary schedules run up to more than \$8,000.00 for regular class room work for experienced teachers, and there are administrative openings that pay up to \$12,000.00 to \$15,000.00 annually. Literally scores of Gallaudet graduates have taken such positions and are successfully filling them today. You can join this select group.

But, you ask, why is a field that is so easy to enter and so rewarding, not overcrowded. The answer is simply that too few people know about it. Deafness is a problem that has been with us all through the years. But, until recently, few people realized that anything could be done to help this handicapped group. Hearing testing through modern electronic devices, and an awakening to the fact that work with the deaf and hard of hearing was not receiving its proper attention in schools, suddenly brought this matter into the focus of attention. As a result, classes for those with hearing impairment have appeared like dandelions in spring, but the supply of teachers has lagged. This is where you come in.

By joining the training class at Gallaudet College, doing your study and practice teaching in Kendall School, laboratory school of the college, and qualifying for certification with a standard master's degree, you can become a specialist. In addition to board, room and tuition while you study, you will receive a small monthly stipend for personal expenses. On other pages in this issue of the Kendall Courier, you will find brief accounts of the young people who are completing the course this year. Scholarships are available for next year.

#### Students Visit Schools

As a student at Gallaudet you will not only receive careful training for your work, but you will have an opportunity to visit leading schools on the eastern seaboard, enjoy the sights and cultural opportunities of a winter in Washington, D. C., study in the Library of Congress and in the best libraries in the world on the education of the deaf, and learn to operate and use the modern equipment which is a part of the education of the deaf and hard of hearing. All this is yours for the asking if you have a college degree and a three cent stamp. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested, write to

### Department of Education Gallaudet College Washington 2, **D**. C.

Full particulars and an application will be sent on request. Why not act NOW?

# Illinois College Graduate Completes Training Stint

Mr. Gary Allan Curtis, a native of Jacksonville, Illinois, received his education including a bachelor of arts degree in his home town. ite was graduated from Illinois College in 1957. During his sophomore year Mr. Curtis made application for a Gallaudet fellowship. he recounts that Kenneth Huff, superintendent of the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, introduced the matter to Dr. Elstad, president of Gallaudet, while the two administrators were attending a Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf at Hartford, Connecticut. By strange coincidence, Mr. Curtis is to begin his teaching career just three years later at the American School for the Deaf in Hartford, the very spot where the subject was first introduced.

Mr. Curtis was married to Betty Birdsell of Illinois in 1954. They now have a daughter, Robin, and an infant son, Tad.



Mr. and Mrs. Quetis



Mr. Das

Graduate Class 1958



Mr. and Mrs. Little

Gallaudet College Wash.DC.



Miss Sullivan



Mr. Rathna



Miss Wilber



Mr. Craig



Miss Mueller

# Former Air Force Member Will Teach In Pittsburgh

Mr. James A. Little attended high school in Andrew, Texas, entered college at John Tarleton College, Stephenville, Texas and was called up for service in the Air Force. He served in the South Pacific with the 85th Fighter Wing of the 13th Air Force.

Completing his tour of duty, Mr. Little reentered college at New Mexico Western College in Silver City, having decided on a teaching career. It was through Superintendent Hester of the New Mexico School for the Deaf that he became interested in teaching the deaf. Completing his degree at New Mexico Western, Mr. Little entered Gallaudet in 1957. He will teach the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, Pittsburgh, next year. He has a wife and a son named Jimmy.

## Betty Mueller Accepts Job In Stuttgart, Germany

Miss Betty Gene Mueller was graduated from Principia College in Elsah, Illinois, in 1957 with a major in Fine Arts. Her interest in working with the deaf has been of long standing since she is the daughter of deaf parents. She has normal hearing. Needless to say, her parents were very happy to have her take the training to teach the deaf.

Through her training at Gallaudet, Miss Mueller has become interested in the use of visual aids in teaching the deaf. Using her training in art she has developed a series of cartoons illustrating use of grammatical forms. Photographed on film strips, these original contributions will be used to help deaf and hard of hearing to an easier understanding of language which they cannot get through their ears.

Miss Mueller plans to pursue further development of this technique. Out of the many job opportunities at her disposal, she elected to teach a hard of hearing class of service personnel dependents in Stuttgart, Germany. She will fly to Germany in August.

## K. N. Das Comes From India To Study Work With Handicapped

Mr. K. N. Das comes from Assam, India. Prior to his present year of study in Gallaudet, Mr. Das had training in the Calcutta School for the Deaf. For two years he was principal of a school in India before coming to America to continue his studies.

Subsequent to his year here, Mr. Das will have a year at Hunter College in New York City where he will study children who have other handicaps than that of deafness. Upon completion of his studies, he plans to return to his

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native country to engage in work with those who are physically handicapped.

# 4-H Club Counselor Trains To Teach Home Economics

Miss Mary Jane Sullivan, of West Virginia and New Mexico, entered Gallaudet College in the fall of 1957. A native West Virginian, she attended West Virginian University, graduating with a B.S. degree in home economics in 1954.

Following her college training she was with the Agricultural Extension Service in New Mexico, serving as an associate Home Demonstration Agent in charge of girls' 4-H programs. Through her associations in the Extension Service, Miss Sullivan became interested in teaching the deaf. Superintendent Marshall Hester, also a Gallaudet graduate, advised her to make application for a scholarship. She did and was accepted.

Upon completion of the training at Gallaudet, Miss Sullivan plans to return to New Mexico where she will teach home economics in the New Mexico School for the Deaf, Santa Fe.

## Work With Deaf and Blind Is Goal of N. Rathna of India

Many students come from foreign countries to avail themselves of training opportunities at Gallaudet College. Mr. Rathna is one of two students from India this year. He hopes to conduct a school for the deaf and blind when he returns to his native country.

Born in the year 1934, Mr. Rathna studied in the State of Mysore in southern India. He attended Mysore University where he earned the degree of B.A. in English Literature and B.Ed. His first year in America was spent at Hunter College, New York, where he majored in the education of the blind. He hopes to continue in America for another year in order to study for a doctor's degree in educational administration. He is particularly interested in teacher training and adult education.

## Speech Correctionist Wilbur Joins Staff of California School

Miss Laura Ann Wilbur was born in Memphis, Tennessee. She attended elementary school in Oxford, Mississippi, and is a graduate of George Hurst High School, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Following graduation from Mississippi Southern College with a B.S. degree in speech correction, Miss Wilbur accepted a teaching position in Bakesfield, California, where she had charge of a hard of hearing and deaf group in the public schools. After teaching there two years, she was awarded a fellowship at Gallaudet and will

receive her masters degree at the close of this school year. Next year she returns to California where she will teach in the Upper School of the California School for the Deaf, Riverside, California.

# Washington And Lee Graduate Follows In Father's Footsteps

William N. Craig has the distinction of having been born on Kendall Green, another name for the Gallaudet College campus. He comes from a family of teachers of the deaf. Both his father and mother taught here prior to moving to Pittsburgh where Mr. Craig, senior, is the superintendent of Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf.

Mr. Craig, the younger, subsequent to his graduation from high school in Pittsburgh, took his B.A. degree at Washington and Lee University and then served two years in the United States Army as a lieutenant in the Transportation Crops. Most of his tour was in connection with amphibious trucks at Fort Story.

He has a lovely wife, Helen, and their young daughter, Jennie Sue, was also born on Kendall Green, having arrived last October. The Craigs plan to remain here next year as Mr. Craig joins the Kendall School staff.

Don't miss the Kendall Alumni Reunion May 30, June 1.

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#### **ALMUNI NEWS**

By M. Jean Zisman

We'd like to remind you all of the 3-day Alumni reunion during the Memorial Day week-end, May 30-31, June 1. Elsewhere in this issue is printed a schedule of events.

Regarding the banquet, reservation forms are being sent to all members by Alex Ewan, program chairman. However, if you do not receive such forms, please contact Louis Val, banquet chairman, whose address is 520 Nicholson St., N. E., Wash. 11, D. C. More reunion information may be had by writing to Wallace Edington, 1709 Lang Pl., N. E., Wash. 2, D. C.

Mr. Louis J. Pucci, chairman of the nominating committee, is endeavoring to make up a list of candidates for office that will be a credit to our Alumni Association. Mrs. M. Jean Zisman and Mr. Ewan are his aides, and if you are offered an office, consider yourself honored to be asked and show your alumni spirit by accepting.

Two former Kendall School boys were selected on the All-Star team at the recent National Basketball Tournament in Chicago. They are John Miller, Jr. and Barry Copeland. This was the second time that Miller was so honored, having

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# The Kendall Courier

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#### A TEACHER IS A TEACHER

When one examines the summer offerings in audiology listed by some of our major universities, he is reminded of the quotation, "A rose, by any other name, would be as sweet."

Here in the Kendall School, in conjunction with the Department of Education of Gallaudet College, we offer courses intended to train people to become teachers of the deaf. These include such things as observation and practice teaching, language and speech for the deaf, auditory training, methods teaching the school subjects, and the teaching of speech reading. These we consider to be courses in education and we list them as such in the college catalog.

Not so in the universities mentioned. At the university level these courses become "Educational Audiology." So far as the descriptions of the courses go, one

could not tell the difference between a course in audiology and one in education. The content would appear to be about the same regardless of how titled. But the whole thing leaves us wondering are we training teachers or audiologists?

Perhaps the matter isn't too important, but to our way of thinking, such gross overlapping of terms only tends to add further confusion in a field which has already become too complex for the lay public to understand with any degree of ease. In the study of language disorders which is properly occupying a prominent place in present educational inquiries, some benefit might be derived by a bit of attention to a more careful use of terms by those who work within our own field.

# Alumni Reunion Program

Fri., May 30, 7:30—Reception in the Alumni Room of E.M.G. Memorial Library

Sat., May 31, 9:00—Business session. Luncheon at 12:30 on Kendall Green. Meeting and Election of Officers to continue in afternoon

Sat., May 31, 7:00—Banquet at Hotel Dodge. (Cocktails in the Burgundy Room at 6:00)

Sun., June 1, 12:00—Outing on Kendall Green (Continued from page 6) also made the team at the 1955 tourney at Los Angeles, California.

Among those expecting visits by Sir Stork in the fall are Mrs. Betty (Rose) Moers, Mrs. Judy (Barnett) Buzzard and Mrs. David Burton.

Mrs. Jeanette (Dillion) Fletcher was recently tendered a surprise birthday party by her many friends.

Woodrow Zimmerman is spending most of his spare time taking in the fish that are biting in nearby waters. Sometimes he is accompanied by his son, Byron.

When Mrs. Agnes (Minor) Padden was a student at Kendall School, one of her favorite teachers was Mrs. Marianna White. Now her son, Bobby, attends Kendall, and you guessed it, Mrs. White is teaching him.

The Tom Elliotts, (Becky Bowling) out in California, have just purchased a new home in the suburbs of Los Angeles. And we hear it is quite a fancy domicile. Becky, by the way, is working as a union printer.

Be seeing you at the reunion during the Memorial weekend.

#### HAROLD LOMONOSOFF VISITS

A recent visitor on Kendall Green was Harold Lomonosoff, one of our Kendall School graduates. Harold is a tool maker and, until recently has been working in Dayton, Ohio. The current business slump led to a lay-off of more than two thousand employees there, and Harold was one of that number. He says that he is looking for work in Washington and would like to remain here.

## GALLAUDET STORY NOW ON SALE

You should have a copy of the Life of Edward Miner Gallaudet, first principal of the Kendall School and first President of Gallaudet College. Pre-publication price, \$3.50. Contact your alumni association or write to Kendall Courier.

# MANY TEACHING POSITIONS OPEN

Many teaching positions for teachers of the deaf at excellent salaries will go unfilled this fall. If you know a person who might be interested in training, write to Gallaudet College, Washington 2, D. C.

# The Kendall School for the Deaf

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