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## **Nearby School Cooperate In Teacher Training Plan**

An enlarged teacher training class will necessitate the use of additional training schools as the new school year begins. Trainees will do their practice teaching in the Maryland and West Virginia Schools for the Deaf as well as in Kendall School.

Extensive reorganization of the graduate program is necessitated by this change. Graduate students will have their introduction to the education of the deaf in an eight-week academic session which runs from September 22 to November 15. Following this they will enter into an intensive period of practice teaching which will conclude with the beginning of the Christmas holidays.

Another eight-week academic term which starts January 5 will be followed by a second five-week practice session, when trainees will be expected to teach virtually all day. After a week off to visit eastern schools for the deaf, the class will return to campus for a final eight-week academic period and the end of the college year.

Supervising teachers in the respective training schools will oversee the work of the student

teachers. Miss Verdry Vaughan of Kendall, Miss Margaret Kent at Maryland, and Dr. Hugo Schunhoff at West Virginia, comprise the supervisory staff. Overall direction of the training program will be under the direction of the Gallaudet College Department of Education in cooperation with Dr. Hugo Schunhoff, superintendent of the Maryland School.

## **Group Hearing Aid Added**

A new binaural hearing aid has been secured for the school and will be installed shortly. It was purchased from the Drake Hearing Center of Washington, D. C.

The addition is part of a plan to replace all obsolete hearing aid equipment in the school with the latest and most powerful instruments.

## **Beginners Go To Mrs. Norris**

Six beginning pupils are in the pre-school class of Mrs. Arthur Norris as the new session gets under way. Four boys and two girls make up this group of new Kendal-lites. Two of the boys were here briefly last spring but are starting their first regular school term



this year.

Stephen Longo, one of the beginners, comes to Washington from California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Longo who reside at 4442 Reservoir Road, N. W., Washington. Another beginner is William Barber, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barber of 1219 Emerson Street, N. E., Washington. Michael McDonald, five, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester McDonald, living at 2322 High Street, S. E., in Washington.

Fourth member of the beginners' class is Harold Wertz who also was here for an introductory period last spring. Hal's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold V. Wertz, of 2424 L'Enfant Square, S. E., Washington. The only girl of the beginning class is Phyllis Hughes. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percel Hughes who reside at 1821 Providence Street, N. E., Washington.

Other new pupils who have joined the school family this year are:

Margaret Bates, Annie Foreman, Maxine Haile, Evelyn Hanna, Betty Jean Moore, William Ray, Brenda Sellman, Sandra Wallace and Margaret Walther.

### **Post-Grads Enter College Preparatory Department**

Six members of the post graduate class of last year have matriculated in the Preparatory Department of

Gallaudet College. They are Suzanne Richardson, Diane Libby, Jackie Novit, Priscilla Jahn, Emile Magnus and Frank Broderius. Nancy Belardi, a seventh member of the class, who was eligible for admission, has decided to take up a commercial career instead of going to college.

We hope that the six who join the Preps will have good success in the continuation of their studies and wish a world of good fortune to Nancy in her endeavors, too.

### **New Walk Constructed**

A new blacktop sidewalk extending from the primary boys dormitory past the old gymnasium to the circular campus driveway was recently completed. This will be especially welcomed by students of the upper school who must pass this way several times daily.

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## **Alumni News**

By M. JEAN ZISMAN

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### *Reunion Topics*

The Kendall School Alumni reunion, in observance of the 100th anniversary of Kendall School, was held during the Memorial Day weekend and was a huge success, attracting a record attendance of nearly 200 . . . We voted to present Kendall School \$150 to be used for

the purchase of a slide projector and films to aid in visual education in the classrooms . . . Besides his duties at the registration desk, John Adams took group photos; we don't know yet how they came out . . . A fund to help Kendall School pupils attending Gallaudet College is in the planning stage . . . Souvenirs distributed at the banquet were ball point pens suitably inscribed . . . If you wanna hear a good joke, ask Mr. Gough to repeat the one about the funny hat—the story that brought down the house at the banquet . . . New officers of the association are President, Bruce French; Vice President, Barbara M. Stevens; Secretary, Agnes M. Padden; Treasurer, Louis Val; Board of Trustees, Jose Berrios, Jacob Manoogian, and M. Jean Zisman . . . Out-of-towners attending the reunion included Mrs. Paul Gum of Pittsburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Long of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnston of Wilmington, Del., to name a few.

#### *Summer Activities*

Laura and Louis Pucci attended the Catholic Convention at Louisville, Ky., and reported "never a dull moment" . . . The Don Padden family took a motor trip westward visiting relatives and former college-mates . . . Christina (Magee) Duley accompanied her sister on a trip to California by car and re-

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turned by plane . . . Jose and Dot Berrios had an enjoyable time on their trip to Milwaukee, Wis., where Jose competed in a golf tournament (don't ask him his score!) . . . George and Lucille Watson visited their favorite state, Florida . . . The Ralph Hiseys added Cape May, N. J. to the many beaches they have visited . . . Sun worshippers Louis Val and family spent a week at Virginia Beach, Va. . . Isadore and Jean Zisman killed two birds with one stone, going to Atlantic City, N. J. for the convention of the National Congress of Jewish Deaf and also to visit Izzy's relatives . . . Also noted at the convention were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carr and Mrs. Florence Neale.

#### *Address Changes*

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony D'Onfrio would like to inform their friends of their new address which is 5408 56th Place, East Riverdale, Md. Also, Sarah L. Alley's new location is 1412 Delafield Pl., N. W., Washington 11, D. C.

#### *Marriages Announced*

Married during the summer were: Byron Baer to Gabriella Heidenhaim of Munich, Germany; Howard Haines of Philadelphia to Elaine Babbitt; and James Lusby to Betty Ann Bell of Texas.

#### *We Want News!!*

It would be appreciated if you would send news concerning K. S. alumni, including yourself, to M.

Jean Zisman, 3919 Fulton St.,  
N. W., Washington 7, D. C.

### **Three Students Transfer**

Three popular students were missing from the Kendall School when the present term opened. They are Ronald Ellis of Arlington, Virginia, Paula Ammons and Louis Allen, both formerly of Washington. Paula and Lewis have both moved into suburban homes outside of Washington, thus necessitating that they transfer to the Maryland School for the Deaf at Frederick. Ronald, who has attended as a tuition-paying student from Virginia, has transferred to the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind at Staunton. He hopes to be able to make the football team there.

Best of luck, Ronald, Louis, and Paula. We will miss you but hope you have a good year in your new schools. Come back and see us when you can.

### **Trainees Get Sailing Orders**

Members of the graduate and undergraduate teacher training classes got their sailing orders at the opening of school in the form of a twenty-page mimeographed notebook containing miscellaneous information and schedules thought to be useful to them as they start

their final year of teacher preparation. Much of the material is directed to the graduates who are on campus for the first time. Schedules and directions regarding practice teaching is for both graduate and undergraduate groups, however.

The booklet was prepared in the Department of Education and is intended to orient new students and help keep duties and schedules clear as the year progresses. Critic teachers also received copies of the notebook.

### **Alumni Hold Annual Picnic**

Alumni of the Kendall School gathered for a Labor Day lawn party on the campus September 1. Cool breezes, suggestive of fall, fanned some hundred guests and their children.

Bruce French, president of the association of alumni, was in charge of arrangements, assisted by Ted Chaconas. They served soft drinks and cake and took care of other details.

Aside from a lot of plain, old-fashioned visiting which was the main business of the afternoon, a croquet game provided some minor excitement. Roy Stewart, one of the oldest if not the oldest alumnus present confounded his opponents in one of the elimination rounds when his long shot curved through

the final wicket and tagged the stake to put him in the finals. Lillian Slaughter was the winner of the sweepstakes.

### **Planning Money Voted**

The eighty-fifth Congress moved plans for a new Kendall School one step nearer to reality before adjournment. An item in excess of \$100,000.00 for plans for the new development was officially approved.

Selection of an architect to do the actual work of drafting sketches and plans will be announced in the near future. Teachers and other staff members have already compiled a draft of suggestions that will help to outline the general nature of the building.

As presently conceived, the new school will consist of one large general purpose school building to include class rooms, auditorium, library, special rooms for vocational training and offices. Flanking the main building, separate dormitories for boys and girls will provide sheltered play rooms, as well as club rooms and the usual dormitory accommodations.

Location of the Kendall group is tentatively scheduled for a spot north and east of the new Hall Memorial Building not far from the site of old House No. 10 which is no longer in use. This is a wooded

area. The buildings will rise above the Gallaudet College athletic fields but will have their own separate play grounds in that portion of the campus now occupied by public gardens.

The new Kendall School plant is a part of the long-term building program of Gallaudet College. Three buildings have already been completed, two more are presently under construction, and others are well along in the planning stage with funds available for construction. Money for actual construction of the Kendall School is anticipated from an early session of Congress. If the building program follows the pattern set up to date, a new Kendall plant should be an actuality in about three years.

### **Three New Teachers**

Three new teachers have joined the Kendall School staff for the 1958-59 session. They are Mrs. Beatrice Burke, Miss Deborah Cook and Mr. William Craig.

Miss Cook is a part-time teacher and will have classes in art. She has had experience as a teacher of art in the Rochester School for the Deaf, Rochester, New York. She will study part-time as a member of the teacher training class.

Mr. Craig is a member of the 1957-58 teacher training class of Gallaudet College. He is a gradu-



ate of Washington and Lee University and has had a tour of duty in the United States Army. He teaches in the upper school.

Mrs. Burke, formerly Beatrice Maestas, is a graduate of Gallaudet College, class of 1958, and teaches in the primary department. She and Mr. Burke were married during the summer and reside at 1435 Montana Ave., N. E., Washington, D. C.

### **Pupils Helped In Summer Session**

Several Kendall School pupils helped out briefly in the 1958 summer session at Gallaudet College by serving in practice sessions conducted by people in the speech class. Bobby Lewis, John Borum, Plumie Gainey, Sylvia Johnson, Linda Green and Rose Stringer came for several morning sessions. Miss Helen Norton, instructor in the speech course, reports that the children were very cooperative and helpful. We appreciate their help and the kindness of the parents in making this possible.

### **Seventy-Two on Roster**

Enrollment of Ronald Vierra brought the Kendall school population to a figure of 72 as the fifth week of school began. Ronald comes from California. He is thirteen years old. Ronald formerly attended a day school in Oakland. He is a day pupil here.

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## **CLASSROOM NOTES**

### **A Long Trip**

Yesterday afternoon, about 1:30, my friends took me away in their car. We rode toward the mountains near Frederick. We saw one very high mountain in Maryland. The mountain's altitude is about 4,400 feet. There were very heavy clouds covering the mountain and we did not see its top. Later we drove near the Pennsylvania state line. An hour later we were going to Baltimore. It was very cool weather and it rained very much just as it did in Washington. We traveled about 225 miles before returning to Washington.

—Michael Aronson

### **Snoopy And Joey, Jr.**

When I arrived home Friday afternoon, I went downstairs to see Dot, my dog, and the puppies. I found them in the boys' bedroom. When I opened the door, they jumped at me. Joey, Jr. tried to take my sock off. I tried to keep Joey, Jr. off my sock, but he was too stubborn. Finally I got him off by picking him up.

Later, the puppies fought and bit each other. Then they were tired. They slept on my brother Mike's shirt. I think Snoopy was a good girl and Joey was a bad

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boy, but I still think both are cute.

—Jeanne Wolohan

The boys went to the movies Last Sunday. Then we went for a swim. I have some new pants, a shirt, socks, and shoes.

—David Hinton

### **My Summer**

My friends, the Thorntons, and I went on a picnic in Maryland last July. I played with my baton.

—Irene Brown

### **School Fun**

The boys played basketball last night. We are going to have a team. We will play basketball this winter. —Donald Mayfield

### **My Summer**

We went on a picnic to the beach in Maryland last summer, and we had a swim in the water. We ate some good things for supper. We had a good time.

—Margaret Bates

### **Back To School**

I like to come back to school. I like division, multiplication, addition and subtraction best. I like to work hard in school.

—Dorothy Howard

### **A Grasshopper**

When I walked across the campus I saw a brown grasshopper. I could not catch it. I read about a grasshopper in a book. It has six legs. Two of the legs are longer  
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than the other legs. They help it hop fast. It has two thin wings and four eyes. Two of the eyes are larger than the two other eyes.

—Cherry Wong

### **Moving Day**

My folks moved to another new house last summer. I helped Mother clean the house. I swept and dusted the furniture. I like my new home. Mattie, Diana, and I have a nice bedroom. We have some pictures on the wall.

wall.

—Debbie Moton

### **A Cricket**

I saw a black cricket in the basement. It lay on its back on the floor. It tried to get up. We looked at it. It had six legs and two long feelers. The two hind legs were longer than the other legs. They helped it to jump fast. It hopped away. —Chrysta Banks

### **A Trip**

Mother, Bobby and I drove to North Carolina one day. We visited Grandmother and Grandfather in the country. Grandfather was sick. Mother took care of him. He felt better. We stayed there one week. I played with my cousins. We had lots of fun. I brought a cotton plant with some cotton bolls to school. Cotton grows in North Carolina. I learned about cotton. It has seeds in bolls. Some dresses are made of cotton. —Ann Poole



### Camp Laughton

On June 29th, Father took Linda and me to New York City and met the deaf children and counsellors on 77th Street. Father left and all of us went to Camp Laughton by bus. We rode for three and half hours. The older girls and I slept in bunk No. 3. Most of us stayed there for two months. We loved to play the sports, games, etc., and go out to other places afterwards. We had several wonderful times at many new places. —Nina Lazzari

### New Faces

I have a new friend on the Gallaudet campus. His name is Edward Corbetts. He is a Prep student from Louisiana. I was surprised that I made a new friend so quickly. I thought that I would find new friends later in the year, but it was not too early for me to find one. Are you wondering how I got a new friend so quickly?

One evening at twilight, Edward asked me where the Snack Bar was. I know that every Prep student is a little green so I showed him the Snack Bar. I observed that he seemed to be a ravenous boy as he wanted to buy something. I said "Sorry, the Snack Bar is closed." I noticed his facial expression of disappointment. I told him that he could go in the next time. He asked me if I would mind going with him as he would

like to know every place on the campus. I told him everything. He was gay and anxious to know the places. I think Ed wouldn't ask a college student to tell him. Now Ed knows where all the places are and I have another friend.

—Barton French

### My Summer Vacation

Last summer I stayed at home and worked very hard cleaning house. I washed the bathroom and kitchen, and swept the floor. When I finished, my mother looked over the rooms and gave me 5 dollars.

One day I went to visit my friend, Henry, and he asked me if I wanted something to eat. We went outside and Henry talked to a pretty girl. She said she was sorry that I could not hear. I have many boyfriends but no girlfriends.

—Robert E. Ager

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