

Rambling with Ruth

by RUTH VOGT

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Mr. B. P. Templin of 5 Castle Frank Crescent, Toronto, whose wife, the former CATHERINE GOOS '45, died very suddenly of a heart attack on February 5th. Her many friends will mourn her passing.

Two of our alumni will soon set sail for Tamsui, Formosa — JACK GEDDES and his wife, the former BETTY GROFF. Jack attended Waterloo from 1950-53 and completed the work for his Honors History degree at the University of Manitoba in 1954. Since then he has been on the staff of Chesley High School. Betty was at the College from 1952-54 and edited the Keystone in the latter year. Mr. and Mrs. Geddes have been appointed for overseas service by the General Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. They will do educational work in Formosa. Our best wishes go with them.

Two alumni have recently been appointed to administrative committee positions — WELF HEICK '53 as Alumni Representative on the Committee on Academic Studies; and RALPH TAILBY '39, on the Campus Planning Committee. They are both eminently qualified.

Following graduation from Waterloo, Welf completed the residence work at Queen's for his M.A. degree and attended the Ontario College of Education during 1954-55. He is now Head of the History Department at Listowel District High School. Welf is married and has a very sweet little girl.

Ralph Tailby has been closely associated with Waterloo since graduation. During 1939 and 1940 he was Director of Athletics. Following the war interruption, in which he saw service in England, Holland, Belgium, and Germany, he was Coach of the Boys' Basketball Team for three years. Welf Heick was one of his stars! In 1949 Ralph completed the C.P.A. course begun following graduation. Ralph is married and the father of three children — two girls and a boy.

N.B. — May I take this opportunity of expressing to the alumni my sincere thanks for the opportunity of becoming acquainted with you and the privilege of working with you. My husband and I will long cherish memories of the many friendships made while at Waterloo.

Hail and Farewell

Mixed feelings on the part of our Alumni executive and our editorial staff will accompany Ruth Vogt as she leaves her position on the college staff at the end of April. Intermingled equally will be our expressions for happiness in her forthcoming marriage to seminarian George Doran and our sense of disappointment at the loss of her tireless efforts on behalf of this bulletin and indeed of the association as a whole.

In her position as secretary to the President she has played an important part in maintaining the records of the association. As well, Ruth has tackled the least glamorous task of our association — that of maintaining the address list and distributing this bulletin and other materials to the one thousand association members.

But Ruth has proven her greatest value as the warmly sensitive author of the column, Rambling With Ruth. Through her constant effort to maintain contacts with our widely scattered association members, Ruth has provided a medium for binding our society more closely together. Our appreciation can best be expressed in the words —

Ruth, we shall miss you!



RALPH TAILBY C.P.A. '39, who was appointed recently to the Campus Planning Committee.

EDITORIAL:

"OF OURSELVES"

In this bulletin we have repeatedly emphasized the role of our Alumni association as an auxiliary body to our college. Each executive in its turn has embarked on programs which have been designed to serve and assist our Alma Mater. Many of these programs have involved financial backing and in several circumstances have comprised actual monetary gifts. Perhaps an emphasis on budgets and financial needs — an emphasis justifiably placed — has overshadowed the opportunities and necessity for the personal services of alumni members.

Within our association, there is an accumulation of talents and capabilities resident in the persons of our members. Through the medium of our society, these talents could be directed to the benefit of the college in the form of personal service. Indeed many alumni in past years and even more at present have accepted challenges to give of their energies to the service of Waterloo. Our last issue paid tribute to those of our number who have accepted the challenge of leadership in full-time positions on staff. There are, however, opportunities for part-time service such as those provided by our association representative seats on various boards and committees of the college. Rev. Alvin Baetz '39, and Arthur Zilliax '28, serve as clerical and lay representatives to the Board of Governors respectively.

Welf Heick, '53, presently teaching high school in Listowel has agreed to represent us on the newly formed Academic Studies committee as has Ralph Tailby '39 accepted a term on the University Planning Board. Your executive has challenged these people to sacrifice some of their time as alumni in service of the college. As executive projects materialize, further challenges are being made. Special assignments like the job placement service undertaken by John Carlisle, are being made and will be made during this and subsequent years.

Our financial resources are limited but our association records show that we are wealthy in personal talent, talent which belongs in part to our college. As we are requested to give of our means let us also present our willingness to give OF OURSELVES.

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