

# Mom Jaye Keeps Taus 'In Touch' by News Letter

To Nebraska Alpha Tau Omegas in the service all over the country go new letters at regular intervals from Mrs. Jaye Ridnour, Mom Jaye to her boys and most of the campus.

She keeps the boys informed as to the whereabouts of their brothers and to what's going on at home in and out of the fraternity. She writes in her news letter little bits of news about each of the boys from whom she has heard, what they're all doing, where they're stationed and often times when they expect to be back on

leaves and furloughs. This year will be the fourth Mom Jaye has spent as house mother for the ATO's. She has always taken a personal interest in the boys and their friends as well.



Mrs. Jaye Ridnour.

and her room is a much frequented gathering spot for the fellows and their girls. Among her hobbies is writing and collecting poetry. One

of her poems concerning the war and college fellows appears here.

The first place the boys head for when they return is Mom Jaye's room and her annual scrap books which she keeps. In it she has pictorially recorded all the major campus events in so far as the fraternity and its members have participated in them, marriages, pinnings and the like. Last year's book is particularly interesting since she took pictures of the ROTC members as they arrived at the house after being activated.

Mrs. Ridnour estimates that she receives on the average of two dozen letters from ATO's a week and on one Monday morning not so long ago she received 12 in one delivery. Most of inquiries in the letters she is able to answer in her news letter but she corresponds with several of the boys personally.

"Perhaps because I have three girls and no boys is the reason I'm so fond of my boys here," said Mom Jaye. "Boys are more open and willing to come and talk things over with me that even my own girls don't."

Not only is Mom Jaye keeping the boys away from school posted but she has had a great deal to do with keeping those still around together and happy and they all swear by her.

## Bicycle with Past Transports Miss Schossberger to Work

The ancient but still gallant relic which transports Miss Emily Schossberger, university editor, to work in the Administration building each day is a bicycle with a past.

Miss Schossberger, of necessity, was in quest of transportation, but she wasn't getting results until Prof. Louise Pound of the English department started looking for scrap for the scrap drive. Miss Pound discovered an ancient and forgotten bicycle, a former favorite of hers, which she

offered to Miss Schossberger. The bicycle was renovated and streamlined and put back into action.

The bicycle is an English model and was one of the very first of its type to be imported into this country. It had been in retirement in late years, but answered the call to duty with true English spirit and faithfully gets Miss Schossberger to work each day. During the day it stands proudly in the lower hall of the Administration building.

## DAY DREAMS

When I started in at college,  
It wasn't in the plan  
To be out here in training,  
Working for Uncle Sam.

But Hitler started something  
And it made us mighty sore.  
We'll do our best, you may be sure,  
To try and win this war.

I'm glad I had those college days  
Of friendship and of laughter,  
Gives me more to fight for  
In these days that followed after.

Sometimes I get to thinking  
Of the things I used to do,  
And I declare, I just sit and stare,  
Feel so lonesome and so blue.

I know I'm not the only guy,  
Dreaming, feeling so alone,  
Trying hard to be a soldier,  
With my heart back home.

Long before it's day light  
And I wake up in camp  
My shoulders feel so terribly sore  
My legs are in a cramp.

I think of how I used to  
Sleep right thru 'til nine,  
Then grab that old flannel robe,  
And just make breakfast in time.

Just sit there and read the papers,  
And discuss the college affairs,  
Of "Who's Who" in the headlines,  
Tipped back in our chairs.

'Twas a hard life, I tho't,  
A sort of a bit, of a grind.  
Professors who proved so uninteresting  
Were simply wasting my time.

Then I wondered if the mailman  
Had left a letter for me.  
The folks, back home, never failed  
To write a letter, sometimes three.

Sometimes I start humming,  
An old familiar song,  
That we used to sing at dinner  
With voices loud and strong,  
Or blend our youthful voices  
On a midnight serenade  
While maids, with appreciation,  
Applauded our escapade.

I dream of the fireside sessions  
And again of the old black couch,  
Where I used to stretch and sleep  
Or curl up, in a grouch.

Until some pal would find me  
And roll me on the floor  
Or pile in there beside me,  
Sometimes two or more.

Why did I skip those classes  
And waste my time, that way,  
Knowing that I'd have to work  
That much harder, another day.

I never stopped to reason,  
Never asked the question "why?"  
Fun was fun, I figured  
And some how, I'd get by.

I still feel a big part of it,  
Tho it seems so far away,  
Those dear old college days of mine,  
Were one grand "Holiday."

MOTHER JAYE.

## Make Changes In UN Faculty

Several changes in the faculty personnel of the university have been announced by the publicity department. These changes are as follows:

**Leaves of absence:** Dr. Clarence F. Bantin, instructor in pediatrics at the college of medicine, who is going into military service. Dr. Raymond Lewis, instructor in medicine, and Dr. Edward Thompson, instructor in internal medicine, also going into military service.

### Resignations.


Resignations: Arthur Anderson, associate professor of agronomy, who already was on leave. Dr. Willis E. Brown, assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology. Miss Evelyn Huestis, instructor in teachers college high school.

### Appointments.

New appointment: Mrs. Frances P. Mooseau, instructor, in Spanish and part-time secretary.

Announcement also was made of the appointment of Dr. Frank Z. Glick, director of the graduate school of social work, to serve on a part-time basis as assistant director of the university extension division. In this position he replaces Dr. Charles H. Patterson, associate professor of philosophy, who filled the post the past year and who in turn was appointed to fill in for the former full-time assistant director, Merle A. Stone-man, when the latter was commissioned in the army air forces in 1942.

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