

Well Beloved Teacher to Retire

"If you can find a teacher just like Miss Quackenbush I should like to see her."

This is just a sample of the many notes which are coming into the principal's office at the Omaha High school regarding Miss Mary E. Quackenbush who completes this June her forty years of teaching.

One of the heads of the high school said that it would be futile to try to find a teacher "just like Miss Quackenbush."

"She is a great influence in the school. Throughout the years, she has gone about her work quietly and efficiently, untroubled and serene."

The teachers look on Miss Quackenbush as their dean. Her room, both that at the high school and the one at the Madison hotel where she has lived for sixteen years, is the cheerful haven to which her many friends flock.

And the boys and girls she has led kindly but firmly through the murky maze of geometry and trigonometry; through the intricate paths beset with lines and angles, surfaces, solids and triangles, out into the light. Her former pupils would number into the thousands if one could take a census of them all, men and women out in the world in every line of work.

Miss Quackenbush is the pioneer of the high school teachers. In point of service she outlasts by many years all the other teachers of the school. When she started teaching in Omaha, the present generation of instructors were wearing petticoats, short skirts and knee trousers.

Miss Quackenbush is the teacher of teachers. There are many instructors in the high school now who got from her their first insight into the mysterious signs and symbols of algebra. Two of her pupils, Miss Carrie O. Brown and Miss Jennie Hultman have followed their preceptor and are teachers of mathematics. Then there are Nathan Bernstein, Miss May Copeland, Miss Janet Wallace,



MARY E. QUACKENBUSH. Miss Jessie Towne, Miss Zora Shields, Miss Eunice Stebbins, Miss Fay Towne and some other high school teachers who went to school to Miss Quackenbush. Miss Quackenbush has taught under seven different administrations of public

school superintendents and has seen countless school board members come and go. Six different principals have headed high school affairs during her long term as mathematics teacher, and the old red brick school which was once the pride of Capitol hill has been literally torn down by degrees over her head and given place to the present fine, big building.

Miss Quackenbush came to Nebraska for her health. She had heard that the state had a salubrious climate and she decided to try it. She took the school examinations under Charles Conroyer who was secretary of the Board of Education and went on to Lincoln to take the teachers' examinations but found no opening there. She went back to her home in Morrison, Ill., but was soon called to Omaha to teach the eighth grade.

That was in 1881 and Miss Quackenbush was the only eighth grade teacher in the town. All the grades were in the high school building. Three and a half years later Miss Quackenbush was promoted to the high school, where she taught algebra, history and physics. When Principal Homer P. Lewis divided the curriculum into departments, she was assigned to teach only mathematics, which she has done ever since.

Miss Quackenbush says that the history of the high school has been a remarkably peaceful one. The most serious panic she can remember was when a cyclone was reported to be coming over the town. The children were marshaled out of the building and hurried home and the teachers stayed in the building to wait for the cyclone which failed to arrive.

Before coming to Omaha, Miss Quackenbush had taught several years in other places of Illinois and that experience added to her thirty-one years she has taught in Omaha make the forty which has been set as the limit for local teachers.

Miss Quackenbush is busy getting ready to open the little white cottage covered with cyclamen and woodbine, back in Morrison where she has spent her summer vacations keeping house and visiting with her relatives and many friends. And when the high school doors close next month, she will return there and take up life as a householder.



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BRIEF CITY NEWS. Have Best Point In. E. M. Clark, signs 14th and Douglas. Electric Warming Pads, Burgess-Granston. Books for War Men—The police have been asked by Mrs. J. F. Johnson of Columbus, O., to look up her son, J. W. Johnson, aged 21, whom she believes is in Omaha. Foster Writes from Coast—Police Judge Charles E. Foster is being heard from by picture posts from Seattle, on which he declares, however, that he has not seen anything yet better than Omaha. Old Soldiers Go to Church—Custer Post No. 7 of the Grand Army of the Republic will hold a religious service at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, at Twenty-fifth and Leavenworth streets and attend Westminster church in a body. The call has been issued by Commander E. W. Johnson. The Persistent and Judicious Use of Newspaper Advertising is the Road to Business Success.

POLICE ARREST RECORDS FOR FIVE YEARS BROKEN. Police arrest records for any single day in the last five years were smashed yesterday for eighty-five prisoners were entered on the records by Desk Sergeant Marshall. "Sir Julius was a son of one of my father's brothers. His three sons are living at this time and it is likely that his entire estate will be kept intact for his family." Eminent English Financier. The Wall Street Journal has the following to say of the death of the English financier: "Sir Julius Wernher's death, in London, at the age of 62, is an event of the first importance, in view of the fact that he was one of the richest men in the world. Estimates of his wealth vary, but those with an accurate knowledge of the development of the great De Beers Mining company of Kimberley, South Africa, ten years ago estimated his fortune conservatively at \$75,000,000. His holdings in the companies mining the Rand goldfield were very large, and, in fact, it can be said that his recent years it would have been impossible to float a South African mining proposition without the countenance of Wernher, Beit & Co., of which house Sir Julius was the senior partner. Although a man of retiring habits, so far as circumstances would allow, Wernher was often in the limelight than the rest of the South African millionaires group, especially after the death of Cecil Rhodes. His house in Finsbury, was one of the landmarks of London, and in costly magnificence was only exceeded by Luton, How in Bedfordshire, which passed from the hands of an impoverished peer into those of the newly-rich diamond miner when he set up his permanent quarters in England. "So far as the Wernher holdings in the De Beers Mining company are concerned, to say nothing of those in some of the principal gold mining companies of the Rand, there is very little doubt that they will be found to have been placed in trust, as they could not be sold without breaking up one of the tightest combinations of the world. As Sir Julius was a baronet, his eldest son, Derrick Julius Wernher, becomes Sir Derrick. The heir is 21 and managed to run through \$75,000 in London and in Paris with the result that his father cut off his supplies. It is to be presumed that the bankruptcy proceedings which were instituted against him will be withdrawn."

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