



O C T O B E R

October's an artist whose colors gleam  
Like candles lighted within a dream.  
The russet and gold and orange blend  
That hearts may lift and dreams may mend.

The hills are tuned with a gay delight,  
Melodies woven of magic sight —  
October has music that one may hear  
More with the heart, and less with the ear.

—Helen Maring





## S E M I N A R Y   K E E P E R S

By Dorothy Ferren  
And Evelyn Perdue

First, let us introduce, or re-introduce, the Seminary Keepers -- your "stepsisters" across the way. Starting at the top and working down, there is Mrs. Anita Kohler, who does secretarial research work for part of the faculty members. On the next floor there are four -- Theodora Wirak, registrar; Mrs. Esther Yost, secretary to the president; Edith Seek and Mrs. Lucille Smith, who also help make life easier for the teachers. Three more Keepers are hidden away among the books in the Seminary Library. They are Dorothy Ferren, Evelyn Perdue, and Mrs. Alberta Jacobs. The most newly arrived of the above are Anita Kohler and Lucille Smith. Mrs. Kohler was recently graduated from the Seminary, the second woman to hold this distinction. Mrs. Smith's husband is attending the Seminary, and expects to stay the whole year. Now you know our names -- come over and get acquainted!

The fall term of the Seminary opened with an attendance of 52, and the possibility of a few more yet to arrive. A "progressive" reception -- progressing from one classroom to another -- was held Sunday evening, September 26, which gave the students opportunity to meet their professors in other than an intellectual atmosphere. The traditional handshake also was not omitted.

The "major social event" of the season for Seminary Keepers was Dorothy Ferren's birthday. A shower of cards received in the morning mail removed all suspicion of further celebration, but this proved to be only the prelude to a noon-time surprise party in Edith Seek's office. More afternoon mail made the day complete.

P. S. Since the editor said this page is ours, let us submit a little saying we like:

"Poise is the art  
Of raising the eyebrows  
Instead of the roof."





## FROM THE TOP FLOOR

By June Vogt

Arabella J. Moore has been visiting church schools in East Pennsylvania the last two weeks, organizing Parent Study Groups in the Home and School Associations.

Cora Thurber is attending Dorcas Federation meetings throughout the Southern Union. She escaped all the hurricanes in Florida!

The night before Jewel Hatcher left for her new work at Walla Walla College, the Missionary Volunteer Department had a picnic supper in Rock Creek Park. They presented Jewel with an overnight bag. (The Keepers gave her a lovely white nylon slip.) She stopped over Sabbath in Detroit to visit her father. Jewel traveled by plane, and the last the M. V. Department heard from her she was still "up in the air." We hope she has landed by now.

The wedding of a girl-friend called Dorothy Ninaj to her home in New Jersey early in September.

Mario Brizzoo's folks visited her over the week end of September 18 -- from Pennsylvania.

Lydia Schander is all decked out in her new-look, shortie hair cut.

Leila Sanders recently returned from a visit with her parents in Indiana.

Helen Carpenter is getting settled in a new apartment. Is having it modernized. To date she has one frying pan large enough to fry one egg in.

"Deep in the heart of Texas" was the vacation theme song of Villa and Bob Houghton. They attended the Youth's Congress in Houston. Went swimming every day in the Gulf of Mexico. And report no flat tires, didn't run out of gas, and the cops didn't get them. But Villa says she is glad to be back --Believe it or not!

A WONDERFUL TRIP is reported by Elsie Argent, after a three-months' vacation in England and Switzerland -- including the going and coming on not-too-good boats. While in Switzerland, Elsie visited Esther Benton, a one-time Keeper. Esther is enjoying her work in the Southern European Division very much.



FIGURES -- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0  
AND FACTS

From the Purchasing Department Offices

By Esther Fenn  
And Laura Mae Lynd

ADD To our regular Purchasing Department Force --  
Laura Mae Lynd, recently transferred from Dr. Suther-  
land's office. From this sum --

SUBTRACT Mr. and Mrs. Lundberg. Mr. Lundberg has been with us  
only this summer, and is leaving for Chicago to take a  
course in optometry. Mrs. Lundberg has served as Elder  
Wellman's secretary for nearly two years. She immedi-  
ately takes up her duties as secretary to the president  
of the Illinois Conference, Elder Carcich. Our best  
wishes go with them.  
LaVerne Cunningham, who has resumed her school work at  
Washington Missionary College.  
Alice Van Cleve, who returned to her home in Pennsylvania.  
This remainder, please

DIVIDE Into sufficient space and desks during the periodic  
changes we undergo.

MULTIPLY The quotient by increasing years of several who have  
had birthdays in the past month, and treated others with  
candy. This product, plus a --

LOAN Of Mrs. Mulholland from the Treasury Department for thirty  
days to help out --

EQUALS The Purchasing Department as of September, 1948.

WONDERING WHY some of our co-workers chose denominational work  
we received the following replies to our inquiry:

"I am serving the Master in the fullest way I can at the  
moment. This is the only aim I have in life -- all my faculties,  
talent, and strength given in service. As I grow in knowledge  
and skill, God will provide a place where I can do the most good."

"I like the Christian atmosphere. There is more real fellow-  
ship with fellow believers."

"It gives me a sense of security which I'm sure people who  
work in the world cannot enjoy."

Not for money, not for fame,  
Not for making just a name,  
Only the wish, His biddings do,  
And to be helpful, earnest, and true.



## A PRESCRIPTION FOR AUTUMN EVENINGS

You have noticed the swift descent of darkness soon after work is over these October days. Especially is this true with the departure of daylight saving time. The daily sprint for exercise must be brief and vigorous if one is to outrace the gathering shadows. When not taken up with clubs, choir practice, and social events, here is a prescription for a cozy evening when it would be restful to curl up with a good book. Do not frown in frustration and murmur mournfully, "What book!" There are two fresh from the publishers designed to give you a change of scene and an impact with fascinating personalities that will bring amusement, excitement, and sometimes plenty of suspense.

A New Song ) By Esther Warner. Published by Houghton Mifflin  
In a Strange ) Co. A thrilling, human interest story of the ex-  
Land ) periences of a young sculptor who accompanied her  
husband when he went to Liberia to do scientific  
work on the company's projects in raising rubber. Homesick at  
first, soon her absorption in the unusual native customs and their  
skill with wood carving diverted her thoughts. She is friendly  
but not condescending, and naturally enough, the native servants,  
the people in the market place, the various passersby on the trails  
when she is going bush all consider her a fine white Missy and sing  
extemporaneous songs in her honor. Want to escape the bounds of  
civilization and really understand the natives of West Africa --  
from the depths of your easy chair? Here's your book!

The House That ) By John Gould, author of "The Farmer Takes a  
Jacob Built ) Wife," once dished up in capsule form in the  
Readers' Digest. If your mental backbone needs  
strengthening, this is for you. It pictures the pioneer days  
when men were men, and could sleep peacefully in the type of  
houses where the snow sifted thickly through the chinks in the  
walls onto their beds. This is a fine tonic laced  
nicely with humor, and guaranteed to give you a  
chuckle at least every two pages.



Reviewed by

Thelma Wellman

Second Floor



By Genevieve Melendy

Margie Osborne

Mildred Hover



Zippie and Clell Franklin are to sail from New York for Matadi on their way to the Belgian Congo on the SS TEMPLAR, October 7. Why not mail them a card, C/O J. W. COLE, 355 West 52nd Street, New York 19, N.Y. -- SOON, please!

A family reunion, and celebration of her father's eighty-second birthday, called Verna Slate to Leaksville, North Carolina, recently.

Elsie Minesinger is enjoying filling a new deep freeze chest with lima beans, watermelon, peaches, etc. We understand she plans to do considerable entertaining.

What was going to happen? When Miss Fleisher asked Dorothy Dixon if she could be in her office at 12:30 on September 13, Dorothy wondered. She was promptly ushered into Elder Nelson's office where she was surprised to see the long table beautifully arranged with a centerpiece of red roses, glasses of red punch, and other dainty refreshments. The Treasury Department girls gave her a lovely pair of nylons as their farewell gift. The Keepers gave her a beautiful slip. Dorothy and her sister left the following Wednesday to attend Union College.

Wanda Tate has succeeded Dorothy in the Treasury Business Office. By the way, Wanda is glad to have her brother from Ohio here attending Washington Missionary College.

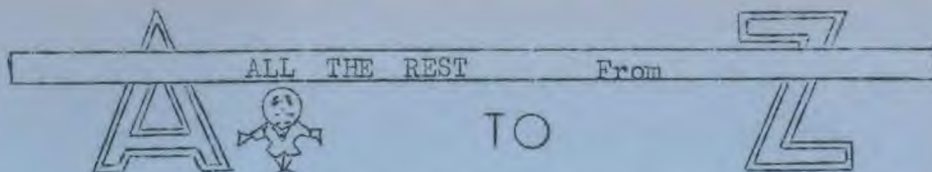
Yale, Virginia, was the destination toward which Gertrude Tenspolde and her sister recently motored, where they visited Gertrude's husband for a few days.

Mary Scott and Edna Edeburn were the "backseat drivers" in Mrs. Scott's daughter and son-in-law's car on a trip to Buffalo. They visited the Thousand Islands, Canada, and some beautiful lakes, including Lake Placid.

Pauline Klady and Audra Ching recently entertained a Union College friend, Carol Magnuson, who is now employed in the Chesapeake Conference office.

Introducing: Evelyn Beavon, from the Ontario-Quebec Conference, who has come to work for the vice-presidents. Her husband is attending Washington Missionary College.





Marilyn Knecht-Froelick, in the White Publications, has been a busy lady while Mary Neufeld vacationed, but she and Jean Chappell have come to our aid and given us these items from the Ground Floor:

Denise Girard comes to us from Paris. She is the newest girl in the Insurance Department, and is doing double duty by attending Washington Missionary College.

June Wright-Frame has arrived just in time to type for the Jewish translators in the Home-Foreign offices.

Helen Miller recently spent a little time in Williamsburg, Virginia. From there she went to Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

Mrs. Arason has been entertaining her husband's niece, Mrs. Marons, and little three-year-old son, from Iceland. They flew back to Iceland.

Mary Neufeld reports a delightful time in British Columbia, where she and most of her brothers and sisters joined in celebrating their parents' 50th wedding anniversary. One of the highlights of the occasion was the recital, by the children, of the parents' childhood days, and then each ten-year period of their married life, 1898-1948. Mary says, "We are thankful to the Lord for the blessing of having had the care, guidance, and fellowship of our dear Christian parents, and it made us happy to give them this day of rejoicing."

THE HOME STUDY INSTITUTE, the biggest school in the denomination is far too busy revising courses and getting its new students under way for the year 1948-49, to give us anything for this issue. They PROMISE us something especially good next month.

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