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Gratia Kinney
Gratia Kinney, who received her B. S. degree in 1915 and her Master’s in 1926, writes the following concerning her interesting work in connection with the Tau Beta Community House located at Hamtraneck, Michigan:

“I have charge of the clubs and the home economics classes here in the house. The school girls come from 3:30 to 5:30 in the afternoon and the older girls in the evening.

“While Tau Beta is listed as a settlement house, it really is quite different from the ordinary one. Our work is educational, and we emphasize Americanization for Hamtraneck is 85 percent Polish and has a population of 85,000. We are surrounded by Detroit, but the city government is separate.

“We have large parochial schools, which offer no work in home economics, but the city has grown so fast that the public schools offer it only to a very limited number.

“Our building houses the City Library, the Day Nursery, Manual Training rooms, Domestic Science Kitchen, and club rooms for social groups.

“A new building, costing about $200,000, is to be built across the street. This will include a gymnasium, auditorium, pool room, model flat, food and clothing laboratories, pottery room and art laboratories.

“The work is very interesting and I enjoy it immensely. We have a very lovely cottage near the building, where part of the staff live.

“The house gets its name from the sorority which started the Library and Day Nursery about eight years ago.”

News From Doris Anderson
Doris Anderson, H. Ec ’23, writes that her new address is 116½ South Maple avenue, Oak Park, Ill. Altho Doris has changed positions, she declares she is still a “home economist.”

Miss Anderson is assistant to the home economics director of the Calumet Baking Powder Company, Chicago.

Mary S. Lyle
Mary S. Lyle, a graduate of Perdue in ’21, who received her Master’s degree at Iowa State in ’24, is now State Supervisor for Home Economics Education in Wyoming, with offices located at Cheyenne. Miss Lyle writes the following concerning her work:

“The state supervision of vocational home economics is combined with the training of teachers at the University. During the fall quarter, I travel all over the state, visiting the Vocational Home Economics Departments and a few others, particularly where they have asked for supervision. During the winter and spring quarter, I have charge of the special methods work and the student training at the University. This necessitates my living in Cheyenne from August through December and in Laramie from January through July. During the spring term, I again visit all of the vocational departments in the state. At this time we have 18 such departments. In addition to this, I put out a monthly teacher training bulletin for the teachers of the state as we are working hard on improving our teaching method.

“One more interesting thing about the work in this state is the very good school buildings, which are really rather good schools to be found in small towns. The distances are enormous, which makes traveling interesting but difficult. Everywhere one goes, one finds cordiality and a wonderful spirit of advance. The school administrators seem to be willing to do everything in their power to make their school the best possible and give the girls the very best opportunity for getting good home economics work.

“At the University we have an average of about seven senior girls taking teacher training work. These girls are each given an opportunity of teaching forty lessons, including some work in the teaching of related science, which becomes part of their programs when out on the job. Our numbers contrast sharply with those at Ames, but we hope to make up in quality what we lack in quantity. At any rate, the girls are interested and alert.”

Lillian Shaben
Lillian Shaben, ’21, who has been in the educational department of the Russell-Miller Milling Co. of Minneapolis the last three years, recently accepted a position on the extension faculty of Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. Miss Shaben’s headquarters have been at Boston the last three years, with the exception of four months spent in the western states. She began work at Cornell University, Feb. 1.

Zoe Bain Clifton, ’26, is assistant manager of the Home Economics Department of the Jewel Tea Company, Chicago.

Sarah Ellis, ’98, is National Secretary for the Department of Immigration and Foreign Communities in the Y. W. C. A. at San Francisco.

Ethel Swanson, ’27, is teaching in the Home Economics Department in Wm. Woods College, Fulton, Mo.
Susan Miller, a graduate student last year, is teaching Applied Art and Home Decoration in the University of Oklahoma at Norman.

Florence Seolar, a graduate student in Foods and Nutrition last quarter, is teaching Nutrition and Physiological Chemistry in the New York State Teachers' College, Buffalo.

Hazel Frye, who will graduate this quarter, has received an appointment, effective April 1, with Child's Restaurant in New York City.

Alverda James, Ex. '27, is teaching the seventh and eighth grades and Domestic Science in the high school at Geneva.

Marjorie Miller, '22, is in charge of the diet kitchen in the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

Velma Allen, '27, is doing research work with washing machines in the research laboratory of the Canover Company, Chicago. Velma says: "I am learning a great deal about chemistry. It is strange that things you think you will never use, you use the most."

Louise Corsaut, '26, is assistant dietitian in the General Hospital at Ellensberg, Wash.

Louise Stephenson, '23, is a student dietitian in the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City.

Helen Reilly, who will graduate in July, has received an appointment, effective August 1, as student dietitian in the Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago.

Grace Long, '27, is assistant dietitian in the Y. W. C. A. Cafeteria at Marshalltown.

Another field is coming forward for women graduates in household equipment. The Home Economics Placement Bureau receives requests from public utilities companies, stove companies and electrical manufacturing companies for demonstrators and home service workers. Katherine Goepinger, '24, is home service director for the Malleson Iron Range Company, Beaver Dam, Wis., while Edith Hutchinson, '27, is in the home service department of the Edison Company, Chicago.

Dietetics is the science of planning, calculating and preparing diets, based on a thorough knowledge of all that has been learned about digestion and metabolism. The field is a large one with growing demands for well trained workers. The dietitian in a hospital supervises the preparation and distribution of food on a large scale. The planning and making of menus, and the preparation of diets for special patients. She is usually required to teach dietetics to the student nurses.

Recent graduates who have secured hospital positions thru the help of the Placement Bureau are: Louise Corsaut, '26, dietitian General Hospital, Ellinburg, Wash.; Elsie Ann Guthrie, '27, dietitian, Baptist General Hospital, Ashland, Ky.; Marjorie Miller, '24, in charge of special diets, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland; and Clare Iles '24, dietitian Broadhaws Hospital, Des Moines. Many of the graduates of the past two years are in student training at various hospitals and several of the class of 1928 have already received appointments to dietetics training in hospitals all the way from Baltimore, Md., and Washington, D. C., to Los Angeles, Calif.

Household and institutional management is practically a new field for women and offers a variety of occupations and opportunities for women with specialized home economics training. In some colleges there is the possibility of combining a professorship in institutional management with administrative responsibilities in dining halls, dormitories or cafeterias. May Foster, M. S. '27, is supervisor of the college commons, Jamestown College, North Dakota. Elsie McElhinney, M. S. '27, is in charge of the dining halls at the Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville, Texas. Josephine Chambers, '26, is assistant at the Maple Tea Room, Iowa State College; Ruth Liggert, '25, is in charge of Pelletier's Tea Room, Sioux City: Leone Hampton, '27, is assistant manager of Killian's Tea Room, Cedar Rapids; and Blanche McLaughlin, '27, is assistant at the Lazarus Tea Room, Columbus, Ohio.

Many graduates accept positions in Y. W. C. A. cafeterias. Among them are the following: Margaret Cleghorn, '27, and Grace Long, '27, Marshalltown Frances Tisler, '27, Beatrice Neb.: Mildred Trammel, '27, Muskegon, Mich.: Beulah McBride, '27, Dayton, Ohio. Many home economics graduates go to the Child's Company, New York, for a period of intensive training in supervision of food service and are then sent to Child's restaurants in various cities, where they have charge of the food service. Among these are Anita Birket, '26, Atlanta, Ga.; Clare Escher, '26, St. Louis; Gladys Koenig, '27, Veronica Morrissey, '23, and Hazel Brown, '26, New York; Goldia Ischer, a senior, is also in training at Child's, and Mary Wilson, '26, is employed in the food chemistry department of Child's in New York.

Many Iowa State graduates have entered the extension service. Under the Smith-Lever act, workers are employed in all states with headquarters in the state college of agriculture. They serve as leaders of girls' clubs, home demonstration agents, specialists in nutrition, clothing, home management and millinery. Women who have secured such positions through the Home Economics Placement Bureau are: Eleanor Bauer, '27, Helen Barnard, '25, and Florence Perkins, '27, in Iowa; and Zula Dowler, M. S. '27, in Ohio.

Wellfare organizations, nutrition clinics, and other social agencies employ women trained in home economics as social service dietitians, family visitors, advisors on budgets and teachers of settlement classes. Gratia Kinney, '15, M. S. '26, is doing social service work with the Tau Beta Community House, Hamtramck, Mich.; Margaret Jane Reing, '26, is with the Infant Welfare Society, Chicago, and Margaret Hoakins, '27, is with the Visiting Housekeepers' Association, Detroit.

The Red Cross nutrition service has

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