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Biography of a Home Economist

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A N ITEM on a particular college girl's list of expenses was "Feeding the family — $1.50." Her father was greatly alarmed and wrote to the director of the school saying he was sure that none of her family was there; there must be a boy-friend. The director replied that the item was a book.

The author of this book which many home economics students are familiar with is Mary Swartz Rose. To some of us she is just one more author of one more text book. But really she is more than that. She holds a place of high esteem in the world of Home Economics.

At the present time she is Professor of Nutrition in the Teachers College at Columbia University. She is, without any question, one of our leading nutrition experts. Besides being a popular teacher and a writer, she has carried on extensive research on nutritional problems for children in institutions. This work has been the basis for many of her books and bulletins.

Her importance in the field of nutrition was brought into a brighter light when in 1935 she was made a member of the Nutrition Commission of Health of the League of Nations, the purpose of which is to find a way to "build better soldiers" through diets.

This busy professional woman is not too busy to "practice what she preaches", for she is married and has a family. When her daughter was operated on at one time, there was need for special diet. Her diet problem became a project for Mrs. Rose's special diet classes.

A teacher, a writer, and a homemaker—all these occupations keep Mary Swartz Rose a busy but important woman.

—Betty Wallace

**Alums**

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**Institution Management:** Two graduates doing apprentice work are Wylma Collins at Miss Albert's Cafeteria, Chicago, and Phyllis Hobbs, Milwaukee Y.M.C.A.; Jane Helser is an assistant dietitian at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.; Thelma Sydness is employed in the food department of the Ambassador Hotel, Des Moines.

**Textiles and Clothing:** Mary Alice Keith, Younkers, Des Moines; Margaret Shew, Ravina, S. Dak.; Jane Helser is an assistant dietitian at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.; Thelma Sydness is employed in the food department of the Ambassador Hotel, Des Moines.

Four Master of Science graduates and one Doctor of Philosophy have positions. Virginia Berry, H.E., Indiana extension specialist in lighting and electricity at Lafayette; Mrs. Beatrice (Iler) Burany, A.A., instructor of applied art in Milwaukee Vocational High School; Josephine Collins, Ed., instructor at University of Minnesota; Elizabeth Dickinson, F. & N., and T. J.M., is with the National Dairy Congress in Chicago.

Mrs. Alice Millett Graham, Nutr., and Mary Louise Morr, Foods, will be instructors in Foods and Nutrition at I.S.C.; Dorothy Simmons, H. Mgt., extension specialist in home management at Ames; Helen Stillmunks, T. & C., is teaching in the Albuquerque High School, New Mexico.

—Grace Strohmeyer

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