Around the World in the Light of Learning

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Who hasn’t wondered what comparisons are drawn by students who have left their homes on other continents to attend Iowa State? Ideas and experiences related by these globe trotters help to answer our query.

“I never saw such a bustle in my life,” exclaimed Mary Roberts, H. Ec. So., from Southern Rhodesia, South Africa. “But I like it now that I’m used to it.” Iowa State has a fine reputation in foreign countries, according to Mary, and her father was a graduate of Iowa State; those are the two strings that pulled her so far from home.

Subjects are more academic in South Africa. French or Dutch is required in the high schools for all but the natives and Latin is offered for five years. Church and government schools for the natives include cooking, sewing, farm methods and English, which they are anxious to learn.

Laura Slater, H. Ec. Jr., and Margaret Slater, H. Ec. So., are child development majors from India, where their parents teach in a mission school. Home economics is a new field there, but they try to give preparatory work for courses offered here and in England.

In March the American and English students go up from the plains to school in the Himalayan Mountains, avoiding the severe heat on the plains. In December they come back just in time to miss winter in the mountains.

Because of her interest in children, Betty Clay, H. Ec. So., came to Iowa State from the Canal Zone in Panama. Agnes Reinke, H. Ec. Jr., came from Panama to study dietetics after taking nurses’ training for two years in California.

“Heaven on earth” is the way Jackie Briscoe, H. Ec. Jr., from Cristobal, expresses her feelings about Iowa State. To be dietitian in some federal building in Washington or on an airplane or railroad is her ambition. Fern Horinek, Sci. Fr., is being sent here from the Canal Zone by a woman’s club.

After the American Association of University Women gave a two-year scholarship to the University of Toronto to Florence Ho, F. & N. Grad., she received her master’s degree. She came to Iowa State to do research on the effect of regular diets and pork diets on rats. The educational system in China does not differ greatly from ours, according to Miss Ho. They use English reference books and research bulletins and English is required in the high schools. Most of their courses continue throughout the year. If you fail in two courses you must repeat the entire year’s work.

Sylvia Tanfield, H. Ec. Fr., from England, extended her vacation in the United States to include school because of the turbulent conditions at home. In England when you have finished high school you have an equivalent of two years college work here.

Needle work is given but no cooking is taught except in specialized cooking schools. Few girls go on with college. Working after marriage is not as common as it is in America. Sylvia finds it easy to get acquainted here and believes we wear our clothes attractively.

From the other side of the world is Shizire Oda, F. & N. Grad., from Tokyo, who is a staff member of the Imperial Institute for Research in Food and Nutrition. She plans to resume her teaching and research again in Japan after completing her work here.

English is required in high schools in Japan. Boys and girls attend the same schools. Home economics was given only in private schools at first but is now included in those of the government.

Would you trade a trip to Europe for the opportunity to study in the United States? Helen Johnson, H. Ec. Spl., of the Philippine Islands did and is now accumulating ideas to take back with her when she returns home. After graduating from college she taught two years for experience and then studied education at Columbia University for two years before enrolling at Iowa State. Ingeborg Rabau, Sci. Jr., finds transferring credits from Germany difficult. Because their high school study is concentrated you could be a junior in college in America and still be in high school in Germany.

The trend in Germany is toward increasingly scient.

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A CANOE or a pair of skates are all that Mable V. Campbell, H. Ec. '08, needs for a gay time. But her accomplishments number far above these two favorite sports, for Miss Campbell is professor of home economics education and supervisor of graduate work at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina.

Miss Campbell was an instructor in the Home Economics Division here for four years following her graduation. She then left Iowa State to take her place as head of the Home Economics Department at Illinois Wesleyan University for three years. Two of the following three years were spent as home demonstration agent in Denver, Colorado, and the other year as state supervisor of home economics in Colorado.

In 1921, Miss Campbell received her Master of Arts degree from Columbia University Teachers College and took advanced study at Ohio State University. From 1922 to 1927, she was special home economics education agent for the Federal Board for Vocational Education, covering 22 states.

In 1938 she transferred her energies to the position she now holds. Miss Campbell is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Omicron Nu and Phi Upsilon Omicron as well as Sigma Kappa sorority and is a well-known figure in the home economics education field.

by Shirley Ambrose

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Scientific courses in the universities. Attendance is not required but you must pass the examinations at the end. Universities are not attended for their own name's sake but for that of their professors, who are the drawing cards.

After graduating from the University of Hawaii, Sadaki Kutsunai came here to take graduate work in education. A practical course offered at their university is one in consumer's education. Household equipment is not included in the home economics division, but the rest of the curricula is similar to that at Iowa State. Standards of education are high in Hawaii and more than a master's degree is needed to teach in the University.

Graduates of the University of Puerto Rico, Gilda Gonzalez, H. Ec. Ed. Grad., and Provi Bernabe, T. & C. Grad., were influenced toward coming here by a home economics teacher at the university who is a graduate of Iowa State. Miss Gonzalez stopped her work as dietitian in a hospital to do graduate work in foods and nutrition here. Miss Bernabe has taught clothing construction and needlework at the university and is now on a leave of absence.

Jean Ryan, H. Ec. Jr., from Scotland, while visiting her sister in New York decided to stay in America and attend Iowa State. Jean, interested in textiles, remarks with interest about the ready-to-wear garments here. They are of a cheaper quality in Scotland and all suits, coats and better dresses are tailor-made.

Not everyone attends high school since a general examination must be passed before entering. The one for college entrance is even more comprehensive.