

# In Gratefulness Yours

Editor of High Life:

The following letter was sent to the Interact Club by Rainer Trebin. We felt that the student body would like to know how Rainer is doing now that he is back in Germany.

Sincerely,  
Bill Rinker  
Vice President

Dear Student Body,

Exactly three weeks have passed since I left Greensboro, and again everyday-life in Germany has begun for me. Hard school-days require a great deal of studying, but it is encouraging me to see that, although I have missed an entire semester, I still can follow the lessons without difficulties.

Soon after I had arrived arrived at Regensburg, a party was arranged, to which all the

students of my class were invited. There I showed by slides of America for the first time, and everybody was deeply impressed by the experiences I had had. Last Friday I gave my report to the Rotary Club in Regensburg. The members were astonished about your American hospitality, and especially about your work for international understanding. I asked (having told them about Interact) what the chances of the foundation of a club here were, and the answer was that it would be difficult to found one in Germany, but it will be deliberated. I am quite sure that the proposal will be discussed officially at the visit of the district-governor, whom I met in Toronto.

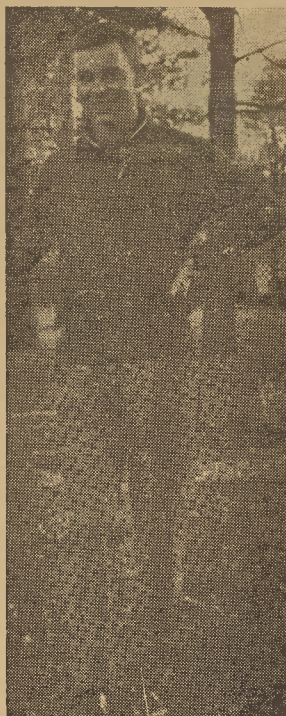
Three Americans were guests at the meeting on Friday. Two came from Pittsburgh, the third from Clemson, S. C. This gentleman I had already met during the convention in Toronto, and I had the pleasure to show him my hometown shortly and to have a fine conversation in Southern-accent American. He had to leave an hour later, but I was very happy to have seen him, for he reminded me so much of people in America.

By looking through the many souvenirs which had arrived in my big box, I have to think much of the beautiful days in Greensboro. How are you doing? Meanwhile, how is the club? How is Per Arne? Consider it as consolidation to know that pupils in Germany are as much suffering pressed by schoolwork as some in America do. Surely you have had a good start at least.

I still am very homesick for America, for it was really a big time for me overseas. Tell the boys in the club my deepest thanks for everything they did for me; the greatest appreciation for the invitation to become exchange student I feel now being able to compare in looking back.

Best wishes and much success to you and the club.

in gratefulness yours,  
Rainer



Rainer Trebin, exchange student sponsored last year by GHS's Interact Club has returned to his native Germany. His letter to Stuart Bull and the club appears in HIGH LIFE.

# A Wiff of a Poet's Talent

Carolyn Dees, Senior, has written poems and enjoyed poems like a cat loves sardines. The only exception is that Carolyn's poems are not "fishy," in fact, some of them might be classified as written in the style of Imagism (expression of ideas and emotions through a series of clear, precise images.)

In the ninth grade Carolyn was inspired by her English teacher, Mrs. Hazelman, to find out all about poets' lives and experiences she could. From research she found herself deeply interested in poets and since then has written numerous poems. "I have literally hundreds of boxes filled with poems," Carolyn said in explaining her interest.

Following are samples of Carolyn's poems:

### BENCHED

By Carolyn Dees

Every afternoon your practice is rough—  
Compared to the others you feel as tough!  
Your heart pounds, your lungs swell,  
This next game you'll be in—you can tell.  
You make a mistake—miss that pass  
It's just not your day, but it won't last.  
A nice play that time, but the coach didn't see

He just noticed Cotton's weak knee.

Panting a bit unnoticed you hope  
Then suddenly Jamieson calls you a dope

Your uniform clings—your temples throb

But he can't think you a lazy slob  
So tackle again—follow through  
Dempsey's experienced you're just new

McCall is watching, do your best  
Then maybe he will tell the rest  
But no! Not a fumble for him to view

And now an explanation he will pursue

The correct and complete surely you know

You do run faster—the day is just slow

They must see some of your better action

You made the team with some impaction.

Your chance will come, its worth the sweat

And with each practice you'll better yet

How do I know? Cause I've watched you all

In clean uniform hopefully waiting the call

For you to go in—to replace a regular

This being a moment quite spectacular

## King Or Queen?

"Was she or wasn't she? Only her burier knew for sure."

Queen Elizabeth I, though never a beautiful woman had the mind of a man; in fact in her day in time her knowledge was superior to that of a man's. Because she was Henry VIII's favorite child, she was tutored and even surpassed her Latin teacher's capabilities.

Not only did she show unsurpassable knowledge, she was the first to get up at dawn, and fastening a saddle to her horse would ride until the skies did darken and this wasn't sidesaddle fashion either. In fact many people would call Elizabeth's manner "unladylike."

On becoming queen, several of her ladies-in-waiting would often flash eyes of green at seeing their shapeless thin haired ruler attract men like honey attracts bees, when they, such buxton fair-complexioned girls were left only dull love affairs.

It may be noticed that Queen Elizabeth never married. Just as determined as her people were to marry her she was determined to hook a man. History records that just as her people had the wedding set up Elizabeth would jump on a horse and gallop away.

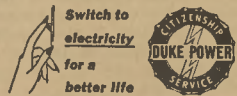
Although her lovers were passionate, the queen made sure that they never became too involved and died a spinster. Getting around to her death, it seems that Elizabeth willed that only one person (a very intimate doctor) would prepare her body for burial.

At the time of her death only one person was allowed in her room. Elizabeth insisted that she be dressed in full array and when she knew her time had come she sat down in a chair and breathed her last.

Oh, I forgot to tell you. As a baby, Elizabeth was taken to the country to avoid the Black Plague. There she was nursed by a country woman who had a boy Elizabeth's age. It is believed by some that Elizabeth died of a fever and the woman so feared King Henry's wrath that she dressed her boy as a girl. Wasn't the 14th Century fantastical?

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Depress—the thing you print a newspaper on.  
Cabbage—the age of a taxi  
Bathing beauty—a girl worth wading for.  
Long-haired music—Beatles album.

Football player: I shot a pass into the air, it fell to earth I know not where, and that is why I sit and dream on the bench with the second team.

Two sheep were grazing in a field. The first sheep said to the second, "Ba-a-aaa".  
The second replied, "Moooo".  
The first said, "Whaddaya mean, 'Mooo'?"  
The second replied, "I'm studying a foreign language".

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