This has been a star-studded year for the University of Nebraska—
Not because of athletics or scholarships,
Not because of endowments or expanded building programs,
Not because of increased budget or increased enrollments—

But because 138 members of its classified staff cared enough to set up a
program through the organization known as UNOPA whereby
They have become acquainted with each other through
regular monthly meetings;
They have visited various parts of both East and West
 campuses during their noon hours;
They have developed a feeling of cooperativeness and
understanding as a result of their expanding horizons;
They are becoming interested in professionalizing their careers.

And all this—the dreaming, the planning, the realization—has been accom­
plished through unselfish, persevering effort much of which was expended
outside of office hours.

CONGRATULATIONS ON A MEMORABLE YEAR!
UNOPA OFFICERS
1967-1968

President .... Doris Lesoing
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Recording Sec'y .... Katharine Lewis
Corre. Sec'y .... Charlotte Jackson
Treasurer ....... Emma Vosika

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FROM PRESIDENT JAN

Our 5th year of UNOPA is drawing to a close. This will be our last issue of UNOPA NOTES. The Spring Banquet will be Tuesday, May 9 at the Nebraska Union. Our Rose Tea will be on Saturday, June 3 at the Governor's Mansion.

It has been a pleasure to work with you in our organization this year. I wish to express my sincere appreciation to each of you for your interest in UNOPA. I want to thank the Executive Board, the Standing Committees, and the Program Committees for the work they have so willingly done. To each of the members we say thank you for your good attendance at our meetings. The following poem sums up my thoughts--

In Appreciation

I cannot thank you as I would
For all you've done for me;
I cannot find the words I should
To tell you fittingly.

Your kindliness has meant so much
That only One I know
Can e'er repay a service such
As this one here below.

Therefore to Him I delegate
What I cannot express,
May God repay you--early, late
For all your kindliness.

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REPORT FROM INTERCLUB COUNCIL

On Tuesday, April 25, I attended the Lincoln Women's Interclub Council with President Jan. Announcement was made of the Health Fair to be held during the next week at Pershing Auditorium. The Women's Division Chamber of Commerce distributed sheets of Campaign for Stewardship of Resources for May, 1967. Two of our members, Janice Wacker and Lila Chisholm were elected to the Calling Committee for 1967-68. Mrs. Anne Campbell was the guest speaker. Mrs. Campbell is from the Lincoln Public Schools and is a member of the Governor's Committee on the Status of Women.

--Ruth Rosenberg

CONGRATULATIONS to Nelsine Scofield, our Professional Standards Chairman, who was recently elected State President at the Nebraska PEO Convention held in Sidney, Nebraska

Mrs. Marie Filbert, Membership Chairman, reports that Mrs. Edith Holdorf, Chemical Engineering and Alice Larson, Bursar's Office, are the 137th and 138th members of UNOPA for 1966-67. Three cheers for Marie and three more for Edith and Alice!!

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HAT'S OFF to our Newsletter Editor, Ruth Hutchins!

We do not merit the bouquets Ruth handed us in last month's UNOPA NOTES but we loved the "recognition." We, too, have enjoyed working on the Newsletter. It has been a learning experience. The trouble is, we shared in the fun quite heavily and not so much in the working end of it. There were times when we were amazed to see the issue in the mail by the first of the month.

If you have enjoyed receiving the Newsletter this year, most of the credit belongs to our hardworking chairman, Ruth Hutchins, who guided us in a delightful endeavor. We're sold on UNOPA--where else can you get so much for so little?

And speaking of committees, our hats are off to every one of the committees (and it required the teamwork of all of them) who have made it a most interesting year!

Newsletter Committee: Luella Diekhoff
                      Edna Shimerda

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CONVENTION TIME

Is your calendar marked? NAES 33rd Annual Convention meets on the campus of Penn State College, University Park, Pennsylvania. A week long institute will follow the convention.

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ADVANCE NOTICE: If, however, your exchequer is sending up hunger pangs, take advantage of a year's advance notice of the National Association of Educational Secretaries Convention which will be held in Denver, Colorado in July next year--1968.

Start now to hoard your dimes and save your vacation time. Plan to spend a week attending the Institute and the NAES 34th National Convention in Cool, Colorful Colorado in July 1968!

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LINCOLN HOSTS NESA SPRING CONFERENCE

Saturday, May 20, is the day; Public School Administration Building Auditorium is the place with the noon luncheon in the Gay nineties Room at the Lindell Hotel. Centennial dress is appropriate, if possible, but not compulsory.

Each member of UNOPA is invited and if you have a friend who would like to participate, but is not a member of UNOPA, sign her up and bring her along! She will positively not resist when she sees what an up-and-coming bunch of office workers we are.

Mrs. Jean Fritsche, immediate Past President of the National Association of Educational Secretaries, will be the featured speaker. In the morning a panel will answer questions which are to be sent in ahead of time and a panel in the afternoon will give short formal presentations followed by a question and answer period.

This is only a tantalizing sample of the tidbits planned for the day. Rumor says that coffee and old-fashioned cinnamon rolls will be the eye-opener at 8 o'clock that morning. You have worked hard all winter. Now is the time to give yourself a big dose of spring tonic--at the SPRING CONFERENCE.

Treat yourself on Saturday, May 20. Meet the State's top office personnel at the Nebraska Educational Secretaries Spring Conference.

HAVE FUN!
NEW UNOPA PERSONALITY

Mrs. Carol Mehling: I have been working on the University of Nebraska campus for almost three years. Located in the old Ag Admin. Annex, I enjoy my work with the USDA and meeting other personnel on the University of Nebraska staff. Now, upon becoming a UNOPAN I am certainly looking forward to meeting many more.

While working, I have continued my education with the use of evening courses and summer classes (and some early 7:30 morning classes!) and received my bachelor of science degree from the College of Business Administration in January of this year.

Only the month before, I became a Mrs. when I married Lloyd Mohling, a senior here at the University of Nebraska in Agricultural Economics.

We can be seen on campus driving a blue Mercury with a yellow canoe on top! Often, immediately after work, we head for one of the surrounding lakes where we both love to canoe and fish.

We both belong to Christ Lutheran Church where I participate in the Mission and Welfare Guild. Hobbies include outdoor sports, sewing, and reading.

We have received several issues of the Nebraska Secretary from NESA (Ina Smith, Editor). We do appreciate having the opportunity to read your interesting newsletter, Ina.

Our thanks go out to Luella Diekhoff for mailing the registration blanks and letter concerning the Spring Conference for Nebraska Educational Secretaries. Thanks to Ina Smith for furnishing this mimeographed material for our UNOPA members. We hope all of our members will be able to attend.

--Jan Wacker

There are lots of willing people in the world--those willing to work and those willing to let them.

Bosses are a very special kind of people --harried and worried, procrastinating and stalling, absentminded and forgetful, demanding and sympathetic when least expected.

Since they are the "sun" around which we "satellites" revolve, how can we let these very special persons know we understand their moods, respect their responsibilities, and appreciate their sense of humor.

Here are some ideas which might stimulate some thinking on your own. Make the week of May 14-17 BE GOOD TO YOUR BOSS week.

1. Display proclamation on Bulletin Board. (See The National Educational Secretary, March-April.)

2. Schedule a special radio and/or television interview featuring bosses and secretaries.

3. Have special badges that can be worn by staff proclaiming their boss.

4. Put a different little present on the boss' desk each day. Could be something about his hobby, a big red apple, flower, etc.

5. Serve cookies and coffee at a coffee break time in the office and present a gift from the staff.

6. Invite the bosses to an association meeting and have an informal exchange and pooling of information, ideas, and ideals.

7. Have a covered dish staff luncheon at noon and invite the boss as guest.

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: Here is a letter Edna Shimerda forwarded to this office which was received in the Turkish Office from Darleen Loewenstein, Past President of UNOPA.)

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Ataturk University
Erzurum, Turkey
April 16, 1967

"Merahaba", U N O P A Friends,

Congratulations on a most successful and record-breaking year. Surely a "bouquet" is due your efficient, enthusiastic and effective President Jan. Also "Hats off" to Marie and her crew for breaking the membership record. Of course, without each and everyone of you 136 gals all of this success could not have been achieved.

Many thanks to Ruth and her staff, for the many moments of enjoyment, which were mine, getting to read all about you in the U N O P A NEWS. Plus a "Thank You" to Edna, of the Turkish office, for seeing that the edition found its way to Erzurum, each month. We especially enjoyed her article about the work here at Ataturk University and really appreciated Doris Lesoing's remarks concerning her experiences in Ankara. She, of course, was 600 miles west of Erzurum and Western Turkey is much more modern and development has moved at a more rapid pace, than it has here in the East. Similar to the development of the United States, except it has moved from West to East instead of East to West.

I shall try to relate to you, some of our feelings and experiences of the past six months. It really seems almost impossible, as the time has gone by so fast, but we did arrive here in Erzurum, October 16, 1966.

One of our first goals was to set up our home. Arriving with just our luggage allowed on the planes, we were presented with the "Kit". This contains just the bare essentials; plastic dishes, pots and pans and linens enough to make do--UNTIL our Air-Freight arrived. --I might add, for those of you who know Allen Bures, who was with the Scholarship and Loans Office last year. Carol, his wife, who is using the "Kit" at the present time, has named it the "Survival Kit." They arrived to join our group about two months ago.

While waiting for the more needed articles of life and while the apartment was practically bare, we decided this would be the ideal time to do the re-decorating, which was sorely needed. Like Nebraska, they need dorm space very much and it had been used as a girls dorm. After applying many gallons of paint in my spare time, supervising the building of closets and trying to communicate with a Turkish carpenter (as no closets were built - remember when we used to build homes without closets?--) we now have it looking very much like "home".

Life is always happiest when one is looking forward to something. This we found so true, as the Air-Freight arrived, all in good shape. Then came Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Eve, which we had the privilege of sharing with our American co-parts, the Peace Corp and U.S. Army. This was done with co-operative dinners, with the U.S. Army acting as
hosts in their facilities. Next, on our anticipation list was our Ocean-Freight, which arrived in Istanbul, the middle of December. Clearing of customs kept us anticipating, with the household goods coming on January 24th and Duane drove our car back from Ankara during the Easter week-end.

Like looking forward to things, life is also full of missing things. Next to missing our other two daughters, their husbands, our two little grandsons and our parents, I would say we missed music the most. Can you imagine two teen-agers living four months without a radio, record player, or TV? We can honestly say that TV was missed the least and now that we have our records and stereo, music never sounded so good.

Missing things also brings to mind the certain foods which are almost impossible to secure, such as; hot dogs (for those teen-agers), fresh lettuce, celery, cottage cheese and whole milk. We have Commissary privileges from Ankara, but shopping 600 miles away presents a few problems such as; out-of-stock, breakage, obtaining frozen food and keeping it frozen, some pilferaging and the time it takes in route. A regular train run is 32 hours and we have known the passenger train to take up to 48 hours. We shop mostly on the local market and can usually get some fresh fruits and vegetables. We are told by friends, this was the first winter that cauliflower and bananas were available most of the time. Last summer many new vegetables were grown here in the valley, as a result of experimentation and assistance from the College of Agriculture here at Ataturk University. We adhere to the washing and soaking in Clorox, for all our fresh fruits and vegetables. Much lamb and beef are available in the shops and sometimes live chickens are sold on the streets.

Spring, here on the campus, is the time for many parties or Balo's (Balls). Many of the towns represented by the student body sponsor these parties. We enjoy their dances and special customs of each area. All social events are most enjoyable, especially since they provide us the opportunity to make friends and to enjoy their many different foods which are served.

One of our most enjoyable events was the Formal Reception for the new Colonel of Team 3A. Team 3A is a small group of U.S. Military specialists, who serve as advisors to the Turkish Third Army, which is headquartered here in Erzurum. The guest list of over two-hundred included all of the American civilians in the area, such as Peace Corp and the Nebraska Group of Ataturk University and the Officers and wives of the Turkish Third Army.

As a result of this wonderful opportunity of meeting new friends we have enjoyed entertaining and visiting in their homes. Most of the husbands can converse in English and thereby interpret for their wives. Realizing the need for the ability to visit with ones friends, we are now attending Turkish classes each morning, but regretting that we did not get to do this before we arrived.

Each day we are finding this work more satisfying and more challenging and feel that much will be accomplished. Duane has had such pleasant experiences in his contacts with the villagers. Now with Spring here we will be able to get out more. Fruit trees are being delivered to the villages for planting. This is new to this valley and we do hope they will be able to survive and get the proper care.
It is with amazement and yes, even pride to note the growth and development here at Ataturk University. When one realizes that less than eight years ago, the University of Nebraska and the government of Turkey took hold of hands and Erzurum was chosen to be the home of an University, and one sees how much has developed since then, it is most encouraging. Surely, our own U of N did not grow as fast. In reviewing the History of University of Nebraska in one of the issues of UNOPA NEWS, which was written by Ken Keller, we were made aware how much alike the growth and struggle of these two institutions has been. We are indeed proud to know that Nebraska has had such an important part in the change of this community, and that now we are having the opportunity of extending its growth through Extension.

We are extremely pleased and deem it an honor to be representatives of the University of Nebraska, and feel the importance and seriousness of this undertaking.

Allahaismarladik, (Good-bye)

Darleen Loewenstein

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Nelsine Scofield, Secretary to Charles E. Miller, Chairman of the Department of Physical Education for Men, was selected as Secretary of the Day on May 2 by KFOR Radio. Congratulations!

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Rose Tea in June

The Governor's Mansion will be the setting for the Rose Tea which will climax this year's UNOPA activities on June 3. All UNOPA members will receive invitations by May 12.

The University of Nebraska Secretaries from the College of Medicine in Omaha are invited as guests. They have 60 members.

Committee members arranging the tea are Norma Wagner, Ruth Enlow, Clarice Dick, and Sally Osborn, Chairman. We know these gals will provide an elegant affair. Be sure to reserve Saturday, June 3 on your calendar.

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Singulars and Plurals

We'll begin with a box and the plural is boxes,
But the plural of ox is oxen, not oxes.

The one fowl is goose, and two are called geese,
Yet the plural of moose should never be meese.

You may find a lone mouse or a whole lot of mice,
But the plural of house is houses, not hice.

If the plural of man is always called men,
Why shouldn't the plural of pan be called pen?

If I speak of a foot and you show me your feet,
And I give you a boot, would a pair be beet?

If one is a tooth, and a whole set is teeth,
Why shouldn't the plural of booth be beeth?

If the singular is this, and the plural is these,
Should the plural of kiss be nicknamed keese?

That one would be that and three would be those,
Yet hat in the plural would never be hose.
And the plural of rat is rats not rose.

We speak of our brother and also our brethren,
But though we say mother, we never say methren.

The masculine pronouns are he, his, and him,
But imagine the feminine—she, shis, and shim.

So the English, I think you all will agree,
Is the most wonderful language you ever did see.

--Author Unknown

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The Spring Song

Though heaps of work,
(We always run)
UNOPA NOTES
Is lots of fun.

Vacation's near.
Warm is the sun.
The signs are clear,
Our work is done!

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The only people who never fail are those who never try!

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