Saluki pride—building up pressure throughout the season—finally burst its seams on December 17, 1983, when the Dogs won "the impossible": a national championship in football.

The championship season unified the team. It unified the school. And it unified alumni, who in small groups or big parties across the country gathered in front of T.V. sets and said, with awe, "Hey, that's our school!"

Saluki pride was felt in particular force in Southern Illinois. "This has been one of my dreams," SIUC athletic director Lew Hartzog said after the championship win in Charleston, S.C., "to finally have the people of Southern Illinois consider SIUC their school. SIUC football has been on everyone's mind this year. People stop you on the street to talk about it in every town in the area. Alumni have been calling from all over to talk about it. The team has generated a lot of excitement."

Some 1,200 SIUC fans journeyed to Charleston for the final I-AA championship game Dec. 17. The Marching Salukis band, cheerleaders and Saluki Shakers endured a long bus trip to bring their nationally acclaimed brand of entertainment to Hagood Memorial Stadium.

Commodore David "Duke" Cockfield of the Charleston Naval Base and Major General James Grimley of The Citadel spoke briefly at SIUC's pre-game buffet luncheon hosted by SIUC President Albert Somit.

The Salukis were the toast of Charleston. Everywhere you went people would tell you how polite and well-mannered our football players were," assistant athletic director Fred Huff said. "Every day prior to the final, you would see the Salukis on the street and in the hotel. They were the toast of the town."

Salukis Are National Champions

TOP: Saluki coach Rey Dempsey celebrates the victory with fans and players in Charleston, S.C. With Dempsey in the front are wide receiver Javel Heggs (#7) and defensive tackle Kenneth Foster (#76). BELOW: An ABC commentator interviews Greg Shipp on national television. Shipp made four impressive interceptions and set an I-AA record during the final game. ABC named Shipp the Player of the Game. AT RIGHT: Quarterback Rick Johnson goes over the top at the goal line to score.
local television, hear radio interviews and see their pictures in the area newspapers." After the game, Huff said, the complements continued.

"The team looked like a million bucks. The fans cheered as though there were 10,000 of them. And the band was spectacular and stole the halftime show," Huff added.

Walt Fraizer, perhaps the most famous former SIUC athlete, turned up in Charleston. Fraizer had put Carbondale on the map in 1967 when the SIUC basketball team won the National Invitational Tournament. Ironically, Fraizer had some divided loyalties during the Charleston game. His nephew, Eric Rasheed, was a wide receiver for Western Carolina. But while Fraizer had hoped the Cats would have played a better game, he was glad his alma mater had won. "I guess I was hoping for a tie, but since that couldn't happen, the better team won," Fraizer said.

Herman Mines, MSED '47, a farmer from Walterboro, S.C., proudly showed his "old home team while they consumed cardboard goal posts—which naturally were torn down after the Saluki win. The event was set up by Steve Wells, a 1974 SIUC graduate.

T.V. Sets Were On

Saluki fans who couldn't attend the game in Charleston stayed glued to television sets across the country. About 30 spirited Saluki boosters got together at the 23rd Italian Battalion in Springfield, Ill. Dick Small, president of the SIUC Area Alumni Club, passed out Saluki banners and bumper stickers. While watching the Salukis on wide screen T.V., alumni cheered and yelled for the "old home team" while they consumed pitcher after pitcher of delightful refreshments," according to Larry Aut, a Springfield club board member.

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"We all had a wonderful time. The Salukis were great and everyone here is looking forward to doing it again," Aut said.

A gathering of alumni at the home of Tommy Lawson in Phoenix included Frank Bietto, Jack Drake, Kent Joseph, Charles Holt, Walt Forsyth, Rich Lawson and others who watched the game and cheered on the team.

Jack A. Wagner, a 1972 grad, got a small group of SIUC alumni together in Dayton, Ohio, to root for their alma mater. He and his wife, Julia Basham, '71, recently moved from Murphysboro, Ill., to Dayton, where he currently is an economic development administrator for the Montgomery County Development Co. Alumni from all over have sent the SIUC football office newspaper clippings of the Saluki success. A souvenir pamphlet recollecting the 1983 football team is now being prepared. Inquiries should be sent to Fred Huff, Intercollegiate Athletics for Men, SIUC, Carbondale, IL 62901. And The Daily Egyptian, the campus newspaper, was scheduled to print a football supplement in its Jan. 16, 1984 issue. Saluki pride is still in full force. All over campus and throughout the country, SIUC affiliates are feeling the residuals of a heady national championship. It's great to be the Top Dogs.

BARB LEEBENS

The Season in Review

Championship. Notoriety, Unity. Pride. All elements of this year's Saluki football team.

Like the authors of a good adventure novel, the Salukis saved the best for last. And what a climax it was.

Overcoming injuries, late-game upset threats, and a season-ending defeat at the hands of Wichita State, the Salukis made believers out of skeptics.

Fanaticism spread throughout Saluki land. A Southern Illinois songster recorded the Salukis' heroes for posterity. Football was the main topic of discussion on campus, in Southern Illinois and with SIUC alumni throughout the country.

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Dempsey Ends 8-Year Reign

Less than 10 days after winning the I-AA national championship in mid-December, Ray Dempsey became Memphis State University's 17th head football coach. The 47-year-old Dempsey, who inherited a team that had stumbled to a combined 7-33-1 record the previous two years, took the Tigers to a 9-3 record, including a share of the Missouri Valley Conference Coach-of-the-Year award and a place in the NCAA tournament.

Dempsey was hired at Memphis State on Dec. 26, 1983, after a national search in which his name was floated as a possible candidate for the University of Tennessee job. At the time of his hiring, Memphis State was considered a mid-major team with no prospects for a national championship. Dempsey's appointment was seen as a vote of confidence in his abilities and his potential to build a winner.

Dempsey was named the new coach of the Football Saluki's at the summer session of the Illinois Humanities Council. Information is available from Bruce C. Appleby, Department of English, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901. Phone 618-453-2521.
Advocates Needed for SIU

An upholder, endorser, proponent, champion, friend at court: an advocate has strong commitments. An advocate says, "Count me in." When advocates come together as a team, they can eventually change policy—and history.

Southern Illinois University has such a team: the SIU Advocate Program. Formed about a year ago through the Office of the Chancellor and directed by SIU's past governmental relations officer, Keith Sanders, the program has recently been inherited by the new officer, Sharon Buchanan McClure. McClure has stated that the program involves a dedicated group of proponents, champions of two causes well-known to alumni: the University and education.

Advocates receive a regular newsletter, written in laymen's terms, about pending legislation that may affect SIU. When a critical issue demands attention, special bulletins are mailed to Advocates, who are asked to write or call their legislators and support the University's position. Advocates also can phone the Office of the Chancellor to ask questions about legislation or receive clarification of issues. The membership card contains a special Advocate telephone number.

"Feeling of Accomplishment"

One alumnus who is enrolled in the program—Roland "Ron" Miles, '57, of Rockford, III.—says his participation is important to him. As an Advocate, Miles says he can "speak my piece intelligently," with the assistance of the newsletters and bulletins he receives from SIU. "I'm interested in education," Miles says. The program "helps keep me in touch with what is going on at SIU, and with education in general and in Illinois."

In 1983, Miles wrote several letters to legislators and personally phoned local representatives. He received replies from all but one. "I favor it makes a difference," to contact lawmakers, he says. "The legislators have told me so." As an Advocate, Miles says he receives "a feeling of accomplishment in contributing to higher education."

No Obligations

The SIU Advocate Program is organized into 19 divisions that are loosely modeled on the legislative districts in Illinois. Division leaders are now being selected to serve as central communication sources. One of their functions will be to answer questions about particular bills.

Ultimately, however, each Advocate chooses whether or not to support a particular issue. "I make the decision," says Miles. The program carries no obligations.

Several hundred persons—many of them alumni, many of them businesspersons, professionals and community workers—are already members of the program. But more Advocates are needed. The state legislature is now considering funding for higher education. Through the SIU Advocate Program, alumni show they care about the quality of education and the future of their alma mater. Alumni can make a difference.

Participatory democracy is fundamental in the United States. The Advocate Program encourages that process. But there are other benefits for Advocates. In addition to supporting SIU, Advocates are able to stay informed about lawmakers and lawyers. And, says Miles, "it keeps me in touch with the Chancellor. That makes me feel good."

More Advocates are needed. The state legislature is now considering funding for higher education. YOU CAN make a difference in assuring more support for SIUC. Call now.

A brief application form is available from the Office of the Chancellor, Southern Illinois University, Colyer Hall, Carbondale, Illinois 62901. A quick phone call to Sharon Buchanan McClure in Springfield at 217-782-0221 or Melody Wehrung, Chancellor's Office, at 618-536-3331 will speed a reply.

Sustainers, exponents, backers, patrons, endorsers: advocates express their convictions and assist in creating a better society. The SIU Advocate Program has proven the point. The Advocates' efforts last year helped in the passage of bills to restore more money for higher education in Illinois and SIU. That same effort is needed this year.

Funding for education is again in jeopardy. Illinois needs your numbers for more information, and join the Advocate team.

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Springfield

Maria Mootry was appointed the new coordinator of SIUC's Black American Studies program in the fall of 1983, succeeding Lockley Edmondson, who took a position at another university.

Accent on Faculty:

Maria Mootry, Acclaimed Poet

Ever since Maria Mootry composed her first poem at age 11, literature has played a central role in her life. Mootry, the new coordinator of SIUC's Black American Studies (BAS) program, sees literature as the key to unfolding the black experience in America.

"The study of literature," she says, "enables us to probe the fundamental moral questions such as 'Why are we here?' and 'Where are we going?' These questions are at the core of black literature."

Mootry is currently conducting seminars on black drama and social issues and teaching a course on black women writers. As co-founder and faculty advisor of SIUC's Poetry Factory, a student ensemble, she keeps actively involved in her favorite pastime: reading and writing poetry. "You might say poetry was my first love," she says. "As far back as I can recall, it was the medium I used to express my deepest convictions."

Mootry published her first poem at the age of 11. Although she's published scores of poems in books and literary journals, she doesn't consider herself a poet—at least not in the "sfftist" sense, she says. "I'm just a person who happens to write poetry."

Mootry has made lasting impressions in literary circles across the country. "She's an important poet," said Eleanor M. Bender, professor of English at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., and editor of Open Poems, a widely acclaimed literary journal. "She deals with the subject of despair—especially in the black urban setting—in a genuine fashion. It's not imagined or intellectual despair as we see in much of today's poetry. Her work carries with it a refreshing sense of history not often found in poetry today."

One of her most recent works—A Pehole of Sunshine: A Fanciful Chinese Artist Confuses Sally's Mob Master. Bay Lady of the Streets—tells the story of a disheveled old woman who roams the streets of Chicago and reunites through city trash. The poem was inspired by a woman Mootry met while waiting for a train at Chicago's Union Station. "Her courage and strength had quite an effect on me," Mootry says.

Like in many of her other works, Bay Lady contains vignettes of everyday life.
Spring Telefund Has Set a Goal of $20,000 for Scholarships

SIUC alumni clubs are gearing up for the spring Telefund campaign, which will run through May 1.
Roscoe Pulliam, Catalyzer of Changes

Among the former presidents of SIUC, several particularly stand out as dynamic personalities, visionaries, and leaders in the growth of the university. Roscoe Pulliam, the sixth president of the university (1935-1944), was called "an effective salesman for Southern." In 1944, through Pulliam's efforts—and his ability to involve other persons in the same goals—Southern Illinois Normal University took its first major step toward becoming a university in fact, as well as name.

Since 1946, SINU had been primarily a teacher-training school. But by the early 1950s, the career opportunities in liberal arts had brought the University to a decisive point: an expansion to meet the full needs of the students and the region.

Even as a young student at the University that would later choose him as president, Roscoe Pulliam was "a great observer, a great user of what he observed," wrote George Kimball Plochmann in The Ordeal of Southern Illinois University. Roscoe Pulliam could have been a successful leader in many professions, Plochmann believed. "He was a prototype of the twentieth-century citizen of America, healthy-minded, earnest, honorable to every principle he embraced...who remained devoted, by interest and by faith, to education."

Education at SINU, in fact, "was the chief way out" of the rural community in Illinois where Pulliam was born, said his son, Robert, in a recent interview. His father was "a German farm boy who went on to force his way to a position of leadership" in education. A young person lacking money found it difficult to break into other fields.

As a student at SINU, Pulliam was among the first persons on campus to volunteer for World War I. He returned to the University to earn his B.Ed. degree in 1928. He received an M.A. at the University of Illinois in 1927. He then spent eight years as the superintendent of grade schools in Harrisburg, Ill., before being named president of SINU in 1935, following the death of Henry W. Shryock.

Far-Reaching Programs

"Southern Illinois, at the time, was ripe for progress out of the doldrums of the Depression," said Robert Pulliam. But his father "was not so much an instigator of that progress as he was a catalyzer of changes."

During Pulliam's eight-year term, important programs were either initiated or broadened, including the alumni service, the student advisory system, student recruitment programs, off-campus credit courses, an active public relations program, better student employment opportunities, a faculty retirement system, and sabbatical leaves. In Plochmann's analysis, "he gave Southern a great breath of heady fresh air." His approaches were liberal, although he could be strict with students. He'd berate someone for throwing chewing gum on the sidewalk.

Pulliam initiated the first long-range plan for the physical growth of the University. In 1940, he projected a five-year strategy that included an overhaul of the buildings, a lab school for teacher training (later built as the University School), and a doubling of the operating budget.

Two other visions had an impact on the future.

He was convinced that the University should plan to the purchase of all the land needed for expansion in the next 20 years. "It's difficult to understand, today, how radical an idea that was at the time," Robert Pulliam said. "I can remember as a boy of 13 or 14 walking with my dad from the Old Baptist Foundation building across all of the land west. The land was mostly empty, with scattered houses. And I remember by dad looking at the land and saying, 'We're going to buy all of this.'" Purchases by the end of Pulliam's administration totaled about 62 acres and included Thompson Woods (bought for $6,250).
Fount Warren... Served 4 Presidents in 46 Years

Although Fount G. Warren retired as professor of education at SIUC 25 years ago, he can still recall in fascinating detail the highlights of his career.

And that’s quite a feat, considering that his career—the longest to date at SIUC—spanned 46 years.

He served under four presidents—Henry W. Shryock, Roscoe Pulliam, Chester F. Lay and Delyte W. Morris.

“Things have changed quite a bit since I was hired in 1915,” Warren said recently. “We had chapel every morning in the Normal Hall in Old Main. The school was run like an old New England college.

“There were fewer than 1,000 students then. In fact, when enrollment reached 1,000, the school was closed, and faculty and students paraded downtown.”

Full Professor

Warren joined the faculty at the age of 24, having been hired by President Shryock to start the first four-year high school in Carbondale. Warren organized what later became known as the University High School on the second floor of the Allyn Building, which was then the training school. “We had our own assembly and our own basketball team. We even went to the state tournament one year,” he said.

Later, Shryock put him to work teaching mathematics to prospective teachers. Warren eventually wound up in the education department, “and that’s where I stayed,” he said. “I finished all the work toward a doctoral degree at St. Louis University, but my heart wasn’t in it. By that time, I was already familiar with all the things I was studying, and I couldn’t make up my mind about a thesis topic.”

The lack of a Ph.D. in those days was not necessarily a hindrance to becoming a good teacher, however. Warren earned the rank of full professor and later became the head of the education department. In 1955, he served as Acting Dean of Education until John E. Grinnell took over as dean. Warren continued teaching in the new College of Education until his retirement in 1959.

Pulliam a Go-Getter

At the age of 95, Warren retains some vivid memories of the presidents under whom he served at the University.

He feels that Roscoe Pulliam (1935-44) has not received the credit he deserves for his work in helping to transform SINU from a regional teachers college into a major university.

“Pulliam was some seven years younger than I was,” Warren said. “And I had him in my geometry class. I never dreamed I would be working for him some day. He was a pusher, a go-getter, even as a student. He was the same way when he took over as president in 1935. He couldn’t wait for things to get done. He didn’t want them done tomorrow or even today. He wanted them done yesterday.”

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“He really wanted the school to expand into a full university. But he started during the Depression, and then World War II came along. He helped (Sen. R.G.) Crisenberry get support in the legislature for his bills to make that happen. (William B.) Bill Schneider, who headed the faculty committee for the change to a university, took many trips to Springfield to talk to the legislators. I would go along once in a while to help.

“I think Pulliam deserves some of the credit that went to (Deltye W.) Morris for the growth of the University.

“Pulliam used to encourage all of us to cultivate the city and county school superintendents to get them behind us... and it worked.”

These days, Warren lives quietly at home in Carbondale. His wife, Lillian Kendall Warren, whom he married in 1910, died five years ago. He reads, occasionally goes to lunch with a friend, and keeps up with his former colleagues who are still around.

James W. Neckers “just sold his house on Maple Street and moved into a condominium near the Carbondale Clinic,” Warren said. And Kenneth A. Van Lente “lives around the corner from me.”

Warren once said that he has outlived many friends and all his enemies.

But his memories of the University to which he gave nearly half a century of service remain bright and clear.

BEN GELMAN
The Class of...news, nuptials, new arrivals and necrology

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Mary M. Montgomery, '42, is a secretary in Washington, D.C.

Ruth E. Miller, '42, is a secretary in Purchase, N.Y.

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John J. Schmidt, '44, is an attorney in Milwaukee, Wis.

Michael A. Daniels, '45, is a partner in the law firm of Daniels & Daniels in New York, N.Y.

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Randy Konkel, ‘70 at far left, has been appointed midwest regional sales manager for residential shell producers, Charles J. Wagner Manufacturing Co., of Waverly, Iowa. He lives in Lowell, Ind.

N. Paul Brouss, ‘76, at far right, has joined the sales staff of Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, N.J. Staff of Ernst & Whitney, an international accounting firm.

New Life Members

The following SUU alumni have made a commitment to their alma mater by becoming life members of the Alumni Association.

Cath. and Mrs. Philip A. Veach, ‘74, Bountiful, Utah.

Kath. and Phyllis F. Zachary, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wynn L. Church, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Smith, ‘70, Elkhart, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Gieseke, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Colgrove, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Black, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Ponce, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Janet A. Rechel, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Irene A. Martin, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Ms. and Mr. David E. Hodges, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark S. Babcock, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Dr. and Mrs. Jim Hackett, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny B. Sherrill, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer S. Voss, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Rahn, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Pfeifer, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl J. Harris, ‘70, Carbondale, Ill.

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The Calendar

February 1984

FEB. 6—JACKSON COUNTY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION—LUNCH & DINNER—RIVERBEND COUNTRY CLUB, ORANGEVILLE—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—FELLOWSHIP LUTHERAN CHURCH, SAINT CHARLES FELLOWSHIP—ST. CHARLES COUNTY ALUMNI—CRAFTSMAN'S HALL, ST. CHARLES. 5 P.M.

FEB. 7—KENT COUNTY ALUMNI—BREDDLE'S, MILAN, ILL. 11 A.M.

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FEB. 8—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 11 A.M.

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FEB. 10—KENT COUNTY ALUMNI—BREDDLE'S, MILAN, ILL. 11 A.M.

FEB. 12—DECEMBER 20TH—LOUISIANA HIGH SCHOOL—IN FRENCH LICK SPRINGS, INDIANA—LEONARD F. WALLMAN, '39, LOCAL. 7 P.M.

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MARCH 1—MADISON COUNTY ALUMNI—BEECHMERE, CARROLLTON, ILL. LUNCHEON—11 A.M. 6 P.M.

MARCH 2—POKERSVILLE AREA—RUTHERFORD'S, LIVINGSTON, ILL. 11 A.M.

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April 1984

APRIL 1—JACKSON COUNTY ALUMNI—RIVERBEND COUNTRY CLUB, ORANGEVILLE—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—FELLOWSHIP LUTHERAN CHURCH, SAINT CHARLES FELLOWSHIP—ST. CHARLES COUNTY ALUMNI—CRAFTSMAN'S HALL, ST. CHARLES. 5 P.M.

May—July 1984

MAY 12—LUNCHEON—SURF CITY—2 P.M.

MAY 18—DINNER—SOUTH SHORE—7:30 P.M.

May 18—DINNERS—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 7 P.M.

June 18—DINNERS—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 7 P.M.

July 17—DINNER—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 7 P.M.

August 18—DINNER—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 7 P.M.

September 19—DINNER—ST. LOUIS COUNTY ALUMNI—LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. CHARLES, ILL. 7 P.M.
Letters

We welcome your comments. Send letters to Editor, Alumni, SIUC Alumni Office, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901. Letters chosen for publication may be edited for clarity or abbreviated for space requirements.

Campus Visit
Near the center of the old campus at SIUC is a fountain. A sculptured boy and girl smugly stand there under an umbrella, protected from the spray of water squirting from above.

The drops falling from the umbrella into the pol around them became, for me, drops of pure nostalgia as I watched them on Nov. 4-5, 1983, on my visit to the University for Homecoming.

I don't know when these eternal children were placed there, but I first met them when I was a six-year-old at the Allyn Training School. Alligators used to swim in the pool, and I used to roll skate on the wonderful broad sidewalks.

I had a hard time finding the old campus. But McAndrew Stadium is approximately where it used to be, and this led me to Anthony Hall, which looks a lot like it always did except for a new entrance on the east.

But where, oh where, is Old Main? The center of everything! It has vanished completely. Gone are the massive steps at the north and south of the building, where hundreds of group pictures were taken.

I did find Wheeler Hall (which used to be the library) and the cannon at what used to be the north entrance to the campus. The Old Science Building is now Altgeld Hall. Its turrets seem out of keeping with the smooth, new architecture all around it.

Shryock Auditorium has a couple of additions on the back. Otherwise, it is still the same inspiring and beautiful place where, back in my time, we attended chapel four days a week. Mr. Shryock himself presided. Ghostly strains of the students singing "Faith of Our Fathers" echoed in my head. We sang that hymn often because Mr. Shryock wanted us to associate it with the University all of our lives. He cannot know what a good job he did.

Across from the old science building, now Parkinson Hall, I found what we knew as the New Gym. Miss Florence Wells held forth there as a masterful teacher of high school English. I have blessed her throughout my life for her nitpicking and discipline.

So many of my teachers are now immortalized as buildings on campus: Woody, Lentz, Bailey, Brown, Felts, Wham, Neckers, and many others.

The stirring band music of the Homecoming parade jerked me back to the present. The bright fall sun glittered on the drill teams and twirlers. Their beautiful faces showed me that youth is alive and well today. Perhaps they will return in years to come and remember, as I have.

Mary Keller Cox (38)
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Editor's note: Mary Keller Cox is the author of a recently published book, Buck: A Tennessee Boy in Korea, based on the true experiences of a P.O.W. in the Korean War.

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