

work in what very often seems a thankless job. Surely a kind word of appreciation from us would make it a more rewarding experience for them.

I am sure it is not that people mean to be thoughtless -- we are only a bit careless in showing our appreciation. It is all too often that we take for granted the services rendered and fail to think much about what would happen to the school if it were not for them.

So it is with all due regards and real sincerity that I express an honest and grateful appreciation on behalf of all persons connected with the school to these two men who now serve, Mr. Stotlar, and Mr. Gruber; to those who served before them, -- Mr. Blume and Mr. Hoewel; and to all those who served in a like capacity preceding them.

Those of us who are a part of the Miner School family have made a great effort to include these men "as one of us" and we know they in turn appreciate our thoughts. I have been told that in some schools the names of the maintenance men remain almost unknown to the school children and for parents to have a speaking acquaintance with them is ~~definitely~~ unheard of.

I have great faith that such circumstances shall never be allowed to develop at our school. May we at Miner always walk "on common ground" -- our heritage and our future hope! And may we always find among us a common bond for all -- fellowship; and may we be inspired always by our common cause -- a good education in a democratic way.