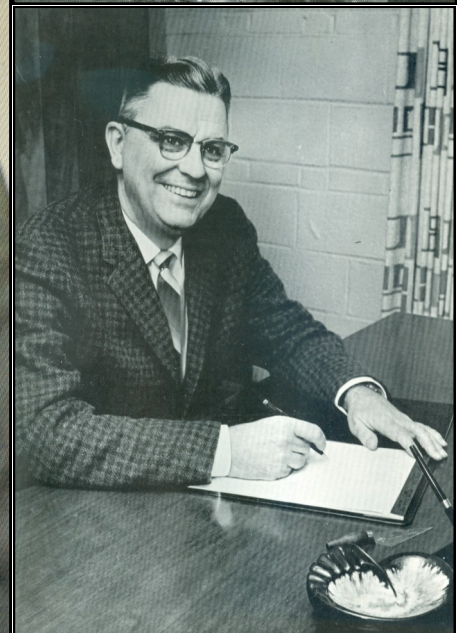
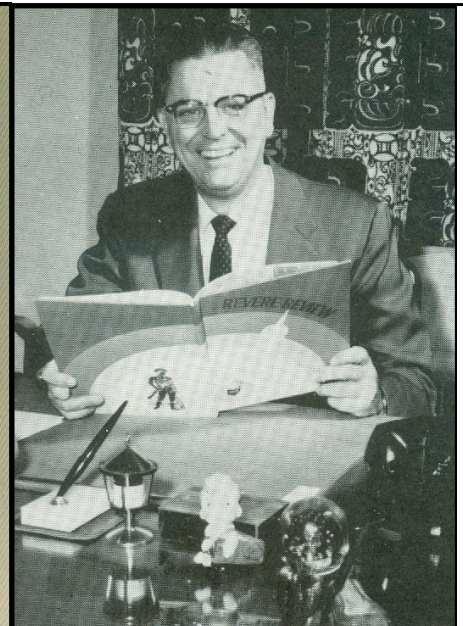


Harold C. Schweisberger

Harold C. Schweisberger graduated from Wooster College in 1928 and began teaching at Richfield. He taught mathematics and history before become principal of Richfield in 1930. He served as the principal until 1948 when he took a year's leave of absence to get his Master's degree from Columbia University.

He returned to Richfield in 1949. When the Bath and Richfield school districts consolidated, he became the principal of Revere High School in 1952-53—the first principal under the one-school format (Mr. Roy Pugh served as the first official principal the year prior when students were split between Bath and Richfield schools).

The following year, 1953-54, he was named the Bath-Richfield School District's superintendent, a position he held from 1953 to 1964.



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Retirement Address Is Really Some Pun

By FRAN MURPHEY and BETTIE LEIGHT

BATH-RICHFIELD — Harold C. Schweisberger, seldom at a loss for words and always ready with a pun, is getting tongue-tied over retirement.

Testimonial dinners are the ex-Armyman's Waterloo.

Schweisberger, retiring July 1 as executive head of Bath-Richfield Schools, finds his words getting shaky over farewells.

BUT HIS vast repertoire of puns carried the tall, graying bachelor through a testimonial dinner given by his co-workers last week. The same corny crop should get him through a community dinner in his honor next weekend.

The Bath-Richfield School Teachers Association said "goodby and good luck" at Sanginetti's Restaurant in Akron. Richfield Amvets, the school district's Booster Club, the PTAs and Eastview Service Organization are planning a public farewell for 7 p. m. Saturday in Eastview Junior High.

When he completes his 36-year career as teacher and administrator here, Schweisberger will drive to Banff and Lake Louise with his sisters, Helen, a retired Canton teacher, and Esther, secretary to the treasurer of Hoover Co., North Canton.

THE THREE, who share a home in North Canton, have shared vacations throughout the U. S. and Canada, mostly in national parks. A third sister, Mrs. Gladys Carroll, lives in Lakeside in the Summer and St. Petersburg, Fla., in the Winter.

Schweisberger had one trip on Uncle Sam. He was in the Army SOS (Service of Supply) for three years, much of it in Europe. The educator got back over there in 1958, visiting wartime friends in Antwerp and touring Scandinavia.

He plans to return to Europe next Fall and undoubtedly will shoot pictures since colored slides are his chief hobby.

Schweisberger stayed in one spot as an educator but he acquired his education in several places. Born in Carey, O., he was the son of a Methodist minister who was reassigned every four or five years. The son was graduated from Dalton High in Wayne County after moving there from Doylestown before his sophomore year.

HE STARTED his career at Richfield in 1928, having majored in history and social studies at the College of Wooster.

Schweisberger is best known here as a mathematics teacher.

"They handed me a math book and said I had to teach it, too," recalls the spectacled

superintendent. "I took a few courses at Kent State University to be certified and found myself liking math more than the other subjects."

In 1948 he took a year's leave of absence to obtain a

master's degree in education administration at Columbia University.

In 1930 he became superintendent of the 12-grade, one-building Richfield School District. He was chosen as principal of Revere High of the newly consolidated Bath-Richfield system in 1952 and superintendent in 1953.

HE WAS president of the

Summit County Superintendents Association from 1960 to 1963.

When he first came to Richfield, he was a member of the Back Stove League, an informal group of menfolk who gathered around the potbelly stove in Bill Sykes' general store at East Richfield.

While maintaining the home at 416 W. Fifth st., North Canton, Schweisberger also kept a room in Richfield. He started rooming with the Fred Lees and boarded at the home of the couple's daughter, May Lindley. Since 1949 he roomed with Russell and Florence Lonsbury at 3315 W. Streetsboro rd. In good weather, he often commuted to North Canton.

Schweisberger's regular commuting between Stark and Summit counties will soon end. He's going to gad further on a traveling type of retirement.



A PASSPORT to "health, happiness and success" was issued to retiring Bath-Richfield Schools Supt. Harold C. Schweisberger by the school system's teachers' association. Mrs. Ruth Burkholder, Akron

portrait artist who teaches third grade at Richfield Elementary, presented the passport decorated with her painting of Schweisberger at the association's farewell banquet for him.

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Schweisberger Retires

BATH-RICHFIELD — Schools Supt. Harold Schweisberger announced Thursday he is resigning, effective June 30. He had stated when he was rehired three years ago that he intended to retire at the end of this term.

Schweisberger has been in teaching and school administrative work 36 years, 34 of them in the Bath-Richfield area. He resides in North Canton.

The educator taught mathematics, was principal of Richfield High and then superintendent of Richfield Schools before their consolidation with Bath Schools.



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Those who remember Harold C. Schweisberger as Bath-Richfield superintendent may not know that he died Jan. 17 at age 85 in St. Petersburg, Fla. Services were held Jan. 26 at North Canton with burial in Canton's Forest Hills cemetery.