

Setting Example For 64 Years

North Putnam's loss is retirement's gain as two very dedicated teachers retired this year, having given a combined 64 years of service.

Mrs. Lethia Myers had taught at Roachdale, Bainbridge, and North Putnam for a total of 27 years in English, business, and physical education.

Mr. James Risk had taught vo-ag and biology at Jackson Township in Carroll County before joining the science department in this school corporation in 1951. Many basketball fans recall his serving as timekeeper at home games also.

Both Mrs. Myers and Mr. Risk were honored at a May 12 retirement dinner. Mrs. Myers spoke of rearing a family while teaching, directing a school play, teaching an adult P.E. class, as some of her varied duties. For the occasion she had written a poem which she read. Mr. Risk shared his philosophy that teachers have to set examples in dress, honesty, and integrity, and treat all students alike. He stated that he believes the best atmosphere for learning is "eyes and ears open and mouth closed," but some students do not have that same belief and are not as cooperative as they once were.



Nearing the end of school, Mrs. Lethia Myers and Mr. Jim Risk paused long enough for us to "shoot" them in the quad outside the library.

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Retirement

At home Mrs. Myers enjoys reminiscing. In his garden Mr. Risk settles down to a more leisurely pace.

