

Meet Miss Somebody from Wisconsin



During vacations, Roberta doubles as salesgirl and model in a fashionable women's store.



The Driessens at home; (from left) Roberta, her mother, brother Tony, father, and brother Erik.

Roberta Driessen of Appleton, Family Weekly's latest "unknown" cover girl, thrives on an amazing variety of activities and interests

Photos and Text by OZZIE SWEET

THERE ARE THOSE who think today's teen-age girl spends more time improving herself before the mirror than in acquiring the homemaking skills she'll need as a wife and mother.

But you couldn't prove that by 18-year-old Roberta Driessen, the Miss Somebody I found in Appleton, Wis. Roberta is a blue-eyed, blonde beauty whose looks need little improving and who's a whiz at baking. I can personally vouch for her apple pie—the best I ever tasted.

Her accomplishments don't stop there. In high school, though she took part in many activities, Roberta or "Bert," as her friends like to call her, still became an honor student. She was also copresident of her senior class and art editor of the school magazine.

Now a freshman at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Roberta is currently pledging a sorority, taking art lessons, and in her spare time is assisting a professor on a botany project—studying the chemical similarities of molds.

At home, Roberta is just as eagerly involved in activities. She lives with her parents, Robert and Margaret Driessen, and two brothers, Tony, 13, and Erik, 14, in a modern hillside house overlooking the Fox River. There she can take a dip every morning—but warns: "If you're not careful, you can be turned into hydroelectricity in the dam just downstream."

Mr. Driessen, who has built most of the Dries-

sen home himself, is production manager of a paper-converting mill and a registered engineer. One of his hobbies is surveying, and Roberta is his favorite "rodman."

Summers find Roberta as jet-propelled as ever. When school lets out, Roberta enters the fashion world as a salesgirl-model in a chic Appleton women's shop. Manager Bob Schultz says that he lets Roberta spend most of her time modeling clothes for his customers because she's got the height (five feet, eight inches), the fresh good looks, and the right figure for women's sport clothes.

THOUGH she's not interested in a theatrical career, Roberta is also active in a local theater group, where she can be found doing anything from reading lines to creating posters.

Summer or winter, sport cars hold a special fascination for Roberta. "I can forgive a boy almost any fault if he drives a cute little car," she says with a laugh.

What's in store for the future? Roberta expects to go into interior design before considering marriage and homemaking. She decided on interior design because of her growing love for color and form—a love she has developed through art lessons and membership in the Appleton Galleries of Art.

But for the present, Roberta can be content in knowing that her beauty, talents, and dedication to any task she undertakes make her a fascinating Miss Somebody to know.



Roberta's a trouper whether she's reading lines or creating posters for a local theater group.

COVER:

This blue-eyed charmer, photographed by Ozzie Sweet, is Roberta Driessen from Appleton, Wisconsin. She's the ninth Miss Somebody to grace our cover. See above.

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