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Find Like Portugal

Antonio Alonso Aguiar Mamede is a slender, wiry boy, one of five sons, of Lisbon, Portugal, who, as an American Field Service Exchange Student, is living this year in Berryville with Mr. and Mrs. Russell McWhinney who now, counting Antonio, have seven sons.

Sponsored with the help of the local chapter of the American Field Service, Antonio is attending Clarke County High School, though he has already graduated from the Gil Vicente Lyceo, its Portuguese equivalent, in Lisbon. When he returns to Lisbon at the end of this year, he expects to begin the study of law at the University of Lisbon where his brother Cesario is now a medical student and his brother Adriano an engineering student. Two younger brothers, George and Ramiro, are still in elementary school.

Antonio reports that the atmosphere at Clarke County High is very similar to the atmosphere at the Gil Vicente Lyceo, though the Portuguese study more, and take their work more seriously. State supported education is only available in Portugal through the first four years of elementary school,