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PHI UPSILON OMICRON PLAN PROGRAM

HAVE ARRANGED A THREE DAY PROGRAM FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF BABY WEEK.

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TALKS, CHARTS, AND VISITS TO BRING ABOUT INTEREST IN WORK.

Among the other organizations to plan for the observance of "Baby Week" is the Phi Upsilon Omicron sorority of the college. They have arranged a three day program to be given at the Glad Tidings Mission on Front Street. The aim is to get the women of this district more interested in this important work.

To this end charts and exhibits of unusual interest and value have been prepared by the members of the sorority. These will all be in charge of the members.

The first part of the program was given yesterday afternoon when Miss Fromme addressed the meeting at the mission on the topic "Everyday Care of the Baby." In this talk the bathing and proper clothing of the baby were considered. Today Lillian Hanson will give a talk on "Milk and Its Care in the Home". This will deal with the care of the bottles, pasteurization, and similar subjects. Tomorrow afternoon the speaker is to be Miss Agnes Kloman, the school nurse. The subject of her talk will be "Health Problems in Fargo". Light refreshments will also be served.

In addition to these big features for the three days there will be additional numbers made up of readings and music.

Some visits will be made by the members of the sorority to the homes in that district and every effort will be made to make the program reach as many as is possible and the hope is maintained that this effort will result in a bettering of the conditions for the babies of the city.

NO FLOWERS AT SENIOR BALL

According to committee announcement all flowers which are worn by the student members of the college family will be checked at the door.

By making this ruling the committee believe that more of the college men will attend the dance by cutting down the "overhead" expense. It is the first time that this rule has been put into effect in this college although it has been tried before at other places.

NOTICE

A very important meeting of the Senior class will be held tomorrow in the Engineering Building at 12.45. Every senior should be present. There is important business.

G. N. WANTS SOME OF THE A. C. LAND

HAVE SERVED PAPERS ON THE STATE IN CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS TO OBTAIN THIS LAND.

According to the information received in Fargo on Saturday, the Great Northern Railroad has served papers on the state in order to gain possession of some of the land which is a part of the land of the Agricultural College. Attorneys for the company have started condemnation proceedings in order to add ten acres of the land in the southwest part of the quarter on which the campus is located. The possession of this land is necessary to the carrying out of the plans of the Great Northern which call for the establishing of a terminal in Fargo.

For some time past the company has been purchasing land in this vicinity and have been planning on making yards at Fargo a part of one of their main terminals in the state. They have obtained possession of a considerable tract of land some of which is within the limits of the city of Fargo. Rumor says that the plans for the carrying out of these purpose are being completed and that it will be only a comparatively short time before they will be realized.

SUPREME COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF THE REGENTS

DECLARES THAT PRESENT BOARD WAS LEGALLY APPOINTED BY FORMER GOVERNOR HANNA.

THREE OPINIONS WRITTEN WORK AT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS CAN NOW PROCEED WITHOUT FEAR OF INTERRUPTION.

The Supreme Court of the state of North Dakota handed down a decision late Saturday in the case of Attorney General Langer vs. Lewis F. Crawford and the other members of the present Board of Regents. The action was started to oust from office the present board, Governor Frazier holding that they had been illegally appointed.

However, the opinion as written by Justice Robinson holds that the state Board of Regent act empowering the governor to nominate and the senate to confirm the nominations in the same session that the act was passed does not conflict with the initiative and referendum amendment to the constitution. The opinion written by Justice Grace maintained that the passage of the initiative and referendum act repealed the emergency clause of an earlier act under which the governor appointed the present board. Justice Birdzell concurred with Justice Grace, while the majority opinion written by Robinson was concurred in by Chief Justice Bruce
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NOTICE

All students and other members of the college body are asked to remember the ruling of the Senior Prom Committee that all flowers will be checked at the door Friday evening.

HUEY ENJOYS WORK IN AVIATION SERVICE

TRAINING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE FOUND TO BE VERY AGREEABLE.

The Spectrum is in receipt of a letter from Lynn Huey, of the freshman class, who recently enlisted in the Aviation Corps of the United States service. Huey is now stationed at Pensacola, Florida, and judging from his letter he is enjoying the work in that place. He says:

"I am certainly enjoying life down here. Of course I have been here only three weeks and it may become monotonous, but as this branch of the service is entirely different from any Army or Navy service I don't see why it should be any more monotonous than the A. C. Briefly, this is nothing more or less than a military academy for aircraft. We are drilled every day before and after class, and by the time we finish the course we are to be made petty officers. Everybody who qualifies as an airman is made a petty officer, which is about the same rank as a lieutenant in the Army.

"I can't help saying something about the beautiful weather we are having. I have been here about three weeks and with the exception of two days it has beat the most beautiful day that I ever remember spending in North Dakota. That is putting it pretty strong, but nevertheless if you were here I venture to say that you would verify my statement. Florida from what I have seen of it, impresses me as being a very pretty state. Vegetation grows densely everywhere. Palms are not very abundant in this region and only grow where they are taken care of. Pensacola has many of its streets and parks lined with them but I haven't seen any growing wild.

"Being right on Pensacola Bay and about a mile from the Gulf I have had a chance to observe many strange sea creatures. The porpoises, a large fish about the size of a shark, are always playing around or near the docks and when they are seen in a body of water it is a sign that no sharks are present, which makes bathing perfectly safe. Large crab, eel, and flounders were all new to me and I take great interest in fishing for them."

Other letters Lynn has sent have contained much interesting information on the training received.

SENIOR PROMENADE TO BE ONE OF THE BIG SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE YEAR

PLANS ARE BEING MADE BY THE MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF '17 FOR ONE OF THE BEST PARTIES EVER GIVEN AT THE A. C.

DECORATIONS TO BE IN NATIONAL COLORS

PARTY ON FRIDAY EVENING TO BE THE LAST SOCIAL EFFORT OF THE PRESENT SENIOR CLASS.

On Friday evening from 9:00 to 1:00 in the college Armory will be held the annual Senior Promenade. The plans for this big social affair have been under way for the past month and the members of the committees have put in much time and thought on the subject. The result will be one of the best parties ever held at the college.

This event will be significant for several reasons. The decorations have been planned so as to carry out the national idea and large

amounts of bunting and numerous flags will be used in transforming the Armory into a place of beauty. This will be the first college event in which the decorations have been in the national colors. Again, this is to be the last social effort of the present class. Their work here will be completed in a short time now and others will take their place as entertainers. The class of '17 has an enviable reputation in this line. Their efforts in the past have al-
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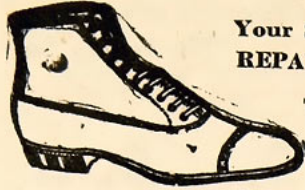


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SUPREME COURT DECIDES

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and Justice Christianson. The opinion by Justice Robinson dealt with the case with minuteness of detail and as a result was one of the longest handed down by the court for a long time.

As a result of this decision the ouster proceedings to remove from office Lewis F. Crawford, Frank White, J. D. Taylor, Emil Scow, and J. A. Power failed and these will hold until the expiration of their terms.

The decision will set aside the fears of many who are employed at the various institutions as they have been working under difficulties during the past few months while this case has been hanging. They may now turn to their work with the full assurance that they will not be forced to seek new positions because of a new board having come into power. Under the present board the high standards set will not be lowered.

SENIOR PROMENADE

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ways been crowned with success and every one has gone away satisfied. Many of those in attendance will be attending the last social function at the college for a long time, as early in the following week they will be leaving for the training camps where they will be prepared to take up the life of a soldier.

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music furnished by an orchestra under the direction of Dr. Putnam has been arranged. During the evening refreshments will be served.

As stated above the decorations will be carried out in the national colors, the program and menu will also carry out this idea.

The committees in charge of the arrangements have been made up of Olivia Wild, Rosilla Ladd, Park Tarbell, Floyd Slingsby, Helen Lewis, Walter Bender, Olive Guy, and Sidney Hooper.

THE GREAT SERVICE ARMY BEHIND THE BATTLE LINE

It is evident to every thinking man that our industries must be made more prolific and more efficient than ever, and that they must be more economically managed and better adapted to the particular requirements of our task than they have been; and what I want to say is that the men and the women who devote their thought and their energy to these things will be serving the country and conducting the fight for peace and freedom just as truly and just as efficiently as the men on the battlefields or in the trenches.

The industrial forces of the country, men and women alike, will be a great national, a great international service army—a noble and honored host engaged in the service of the nation and the world, the efficient friends and saviours of a free men everywhere. Thousands, nay, hundreds of thousands of men otherwise liable to military service, will, of right and of necessity, be excused from that service and be assigned to this fundamental work.—From President Wilson's Appeal to the Country.

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PAUL REICHEL PRESENTS PLEA

TELLS OF THE ORIGIN AND WORK OF THE STUDENT VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT.

Mr. Paul Reichel, secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement spoke on Thursday afternoon to an open meeting of the students. Mr. Reichel is traveling all over the United States visiting the different schools enlisting students for missionary work, forming volunteer bands, and keeping the fires burning where these bands have already been formed. He spoke to the Y. W. C. A. cabinet at noon, in the afternoon at an open meeting, and in the evening to the Y. M. C. A. cabinet.

He spoke in the afternoon on the volunteer movement, its beginning, its rapid growth and its possibilities in the future. He said that many seemed to have an idea that the war had greatly hindered missionary work; but states that this was a mistake. "Rather", said Mr. Reichel, "the breaking up of the Turkish or Mohammedan power has opened the way for Christianity and after the war it will be possible to do a bigger work for the Kingdom among those people than ever before." Mr. Reichel gave instances of where missionaries have done a wonderful service, instances where through the efforts of one devoted man whole communities have been Christianized; and pointed out how a man can accomplish far more in the missionary field than at home for the Kingdom of God.

The present world crisis is bringing in an era of internationalism and far greater effort is certain to be centered on missionary work after the war; for through universal brotherhood, and the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men, and only through these will world peace ever be attained. Those who failed to turn out on Thursday afternoon missed a very sincere and a very inspiring message. Mr. Reichel is the kind of man who is certain to make friends wherever he goes.

New Hampshire State college is to have a new Commons Building. The plans which were drawn by the head of the department of drawing of the college, call for a building to be built on the Colonial style to harmonize with the rest of the buildings on the campus. The main hall will be large enough to seat three hundred persons. The third floor will be fitted out for a Men's Dormitory that will accommodate about forty students.

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PROF. WEEKS SUGGESTS NEW SYSTEM

CONTENDS THAT HIGH SCHOOL UNITS SHOULD REPRESENT A SMALLER AMOUNT OF WORK THAN ONE YEAR.

That high school units should represent a smaller amount of work than one year is the contention in an article by Professor Weeks, which has recently appeared in *School and Society*. The work of the high schools is now usually reckoned in year units, 15 or 16 years units being required for graduation. The year is the basis of the reckoning. If the subject is pursued less than a year it receives fractional credit. The influence of this system of designating high school credits is to cause courses to be either one or two semesters in length.

Professor Weeks argues that a unit based upon as little as four weeks would be preferable, his reason being that there are useful subjects which might be taught in four weeks or somewhat longer, for which integral credit should be given. With a unit of four, six or eight weeks, as might be determined upon, schools would show some hospitality toward various subjects not now in the curriculum. In addition the evil of padding courses to make them one or two semesters in length would be discouraged.

Another educational article by Professor Weeks appears in the *Journal of Education*, Boston, April 19th. The title is "An Important New Subject for Schools." The subject in question is fire prevention. It is urged that there be a wider teaching of this important subject.

AN EXCELLENT IDEA

ROUND TABLE CLUB FILLS LONG FELT NEED IN STUDENT'S LIFE.

There is an organization on the campus which has a limited membership of fifteen or sixteen members only, (we are sorry to say,) that have seized an excellent opportunity to broaden their training here at college which can hardly be secured in any other way. This organization is the "Round Table Club." A little over a year ago, the need was felt by a few students that they should organize in some way in order that they might break out of the college walls every now and then and get a glimpse of other phases of life than those which take up most of the time of a good student. It was decided to have a dinner once a week down at one of the hotels in Fargo, and have as their guest a business man who would meet with them for an hour and a half and answer their questions concerning his particular field of endeavor; whether it be banking, merchanting, or any of the professional lines of work such as surgery, law, and others.

The Round Table meetings have proved of untold benefit to those who have taken an active part in them by attending most all that have been held. The meetings afford the student the opportunity of coming in intimate contact with successful business men, and some of the reasons for their successes have been given. They have shown the students of the club that perseverance, honesty, assiduous application of endeavor, and other common sense rules have made for success in business. On the other hand the men whom we have had at these meetings gain a glimpse of

the student life, their ideas, (both sensible and practical as well as scientific), they learn that there are some diligent as well as "easy goers" left in our colleges. So let's keep it a going it is decidedly worth while.

"DUMMY COW" 'IS THE LATEST

ENGLISH GIRLS LEARN TO MILK THROUGH THE USE OF THESE SUBSTITUTES.

According to the daily newspapers the English girls who are receiving training for the positions as farm hands in that country are receiving as a part of their training practice in milking a "dummy cow". This substitute is made of wood, and has an India rubber bag with four red rubber teats. The bag is filled with water and the instructor adjusts the flow to "hard," medium," or "easy". After spending a week on the dummy the girls are sent to the goat stables where they get their wrist and fingers in trim. After a week here the girls are given a chance at a real cow. This is a great occasion for the girl.

"I've been promoted," remarked one girl with a proud smile. "This is my first cow. I have had a week with the dummy at the 'cow-school' over the hill, and another week in the goat stables, getting my wrists and fingers in shape. The goats are very nice but the dummy cows are not popular. It is a very good practice, but it is much like practicing on a dummy piano. You can't get any sympathy out of it. Some of the girls close their eyes and try to imagine it is a real cow, but it takes a lot of imagination."

The girls are put through the course in all around farm work in about six weeks. Then they go out to take their places on the farms, usually in groups of five or six.

The superintendent of the school near London says that the girls are succeeding very well with the horses and cattle. They prove to be more sympathetic than the men and boys, and even the "kickers" among the cows are better behaved than with the men. With a man when the cow kicks he usually kicks back. "The girls don't kick back, because a girl can't kick with any effect."

NEW HAMPSHIRE HOLDS PREPAREDNESS WEEK

New Hampshire State College observed a Preparedness Week recently and the following comment was made by the last issue of *The New Hampshire*:

"One of the pleasant things about this week of preparedness is the spirit in which the student body as a whole, has gone about their added duties.

"While it would not be true to say that all have relished the strenuous week of preparedness laid out for them; or that no one has complained of the restrictions upon social events, yet it is true that the majority of students are beginning to appreciate the significance of the county's position.

"The time is coming when stern rigid economy will of necessity be practiced by everyone; and the sooner a start is made, the sooner will we be upon an efficient basis, without which success is impossible. The greatest difficulty comes in realizing that the position of the nation has not become suddenly more perilous in the past few weeks; but that we have become suddenly cognizant of the great peril which we are already in."

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STUDENT BODY AFFECTED BY ABNORMAL CONDITIONS

The present conditions due to the war and to the great scarcity of labor on the farms of the state is having a great influence on the student body of the college. Already quite a number have left school either to take up their duties with some branch of the United States service or to fill positions on the farms of the state. Every day sees several leave school.

But this is not the only effect on the student body. In fact this is the least effect. The greater effect is on those who remain. These are uncertain as to what course they should pursue. "Shall I go or shall I stay?" This is the question heard on every hand. The unsettled feeling this is prevalent everywhere is being felt by the students. The uncertainty as to what will be the developments of the next few hours or days is having its influence. Many have felt that they should leave school and take up their duties elsewhere but there has been the feeling that they did not want to waste the time already spent here this term by not completing their work. The faculty has recognized the necessity and have passed a resolution, printed elsewhere in this issue, which answers the question as to whether credit will be given for the work of the term if the student feels it his duty to leave and to take up other work. They have made it plain that anyone whose work has been satisfactory so far this term and who has a chance of being passed at the end of the term will receive credit for this term's work providing he enlisted in the service of Uncle Sam or goes to work in some other line of work which has to do with military preparedness. This step of the faculty should go far in settling some of the uneasiness so prevalent at this time at the A. C. Students may now feel that if their duty seems to call them from their endeavors as students that they may go without feeling that they have wasted the rest of this term.

This step has been taken at other institutions and it is fitting that the Agricultural College, which is a land-grant college, should not be behind in this work. The efforts of the staff of the station and the college are directed toward the solving of the problems which are confronting the nation at this critical period. By giving the students an opportunity to leave the faculty have added to the men who will be able to aid in the solving of the problems by sending out those of the students who have been specially prepared to tackle the problems of furnishing a larger food supply. In taking this step they have shown their loyalty to the cause before the American people at the present time.

SELECTED EDITORIAL

The following from the Manitou Messenger deals with a subject that might well be discussed here. In fact there have been several comments made on that fact that here with very few exceptions, it has become the custom to call a meeting or a program a little earlier than it is planned to begin it, using the argument "Well, if you say 7:30, they may get

here so that we can start by a quarter to eight."

The Little Grains in the Sands of Time.

The sixteenth letter in the English alphabet when rounded out to fit its place in the Alphabet of Success reads Punctuality. The engineer who swings into the round-house with his dinner pail two minutes after he should have started his locomotive on a trip does not keep his job very long. The department head who is ready to start work at 8 ten instead of at eight o'clock, soon receives a notice stating: "The firm does not require your services any longer." The twentieth century business world demands that everyone be on time and ready for work from the very start. Those who do not conform to this regulation are quickly relieved of all worry,—someone else gets their job.

Americans are justly proud of their higher school systems. It is very significant to know that the greater percentages of the world's leading men are college or university bred. But besides seeking training for the big things in life every student must consider the little ones as well. Doing and noting that which is small is rewarded, by permission to do that which is greater. To be punctual to class, a lecture, or church service seems so insignificant as to be entirely negligible. "Wait a minute" is such an easy expression. But much can be done in sixty seconds. A doctor may save a man's life in a minute; light travels 11,160,000 miles in a minute. A minute on the stock exchange often sees the making or bankruptcy of a big investor.

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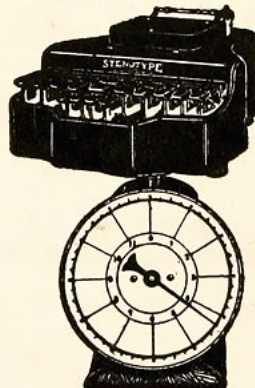
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SOCIAL DOINGS

The members of the Delta Phi Beta Sorority were very charmingly entertained last Wednesday noon at a splendid two course luncheon which was prepared and served by the pledges, May Dennis, Eleanor Pearson, Gwendolyn Brown, Mabel Stuart and Margaret Hoover.

The members of the Alpha Mu fraternity were hosts to a large number of their friends at a dancing party given in the K. C. hall last Friday. A large number, about sixty-five couples enjoyed the dance. Music was furnished by Baernstein's orchestra. The decorations were simple but attractive. A very enjoyable time was reported.

The members of the Achoth sorority were guests at dinner on Saturday evening, the hostesses of the evening being Mrs. W. J. Hey and Mrs. George Rusk who are the honorary members of the sorority.

The colors used in the decorations were the sorority colors, blue and white. Places were set for twelve. After enjoying a four-course dinner cards and dancing were enjoyed. Mrs. Hey is the deputy for the state of North Dakota for the Achoth sorority.

The Delta Phi Beta Sorority entertained at a most enjoyable dinner party Saturday evening in compliment to their mothers. The dinner was served in the Model dining room at Ceres Hall at 6 o'clock. The table was attractively decorated, the sorority colors, black and white, being used in the place cards, while a predominance of pink and white was carried out in the menu and the centerpiece, the latter consisting of white tulips and pink roses. The honorary members of the sorority, Miss Jensen, Miss Taylor and Mrs. Rindlaub were also guests. A very delightful social hour was participated in after the dinner.

"BACK TO THE FARM" SCORES SUCCESS

GREETED BY LARGE AUDIENCES ON THEIR TRIP THROUGH THE STATE LAST WEEK.

On Friday evening at Harvey and again on Saturday evening at Fessenden the Little Country Theatre players presented the play "Back to the Farm" to full houses. At both places the play was enthusiastically received by those present. Large numbers of farmers came in to witness the play at both places. Harold Bachman, '16 was in charge of the arrangements for the play.

The players left Fargo Friday morning and went to Harvey where they played Friday evening. During the afternoon the Juvenile Band advertised the play by playing in the downtown districts. This band is composed of the smaller boys of the town, some of them being not much over nine of ten years. In the evening previous to the performance the Harvey band played. They also furnished some music during the play and later furnished a little music for the dance. An orchestra soon relieved them of this task.

The program opened with the characteristic dance portraying the struggle between Wheat and Black Rust, Science aiding Wheat in overcoming its enemy. Between the first and the second acts of the play Marjory Lieberg and Louise Rusch gave a clever dance that "took" well with the audience. Harold Rasmussen entertained the audience with his Swede stories during the interval between the second and the third acts.

The play was well presented, those having the parts taking them very creditably. The whole venture was a success. There have been several other requests for the play and it is probable that it will before the term is out.

High School

MANY FORCED TO LEAVE SCHOOL

Several of the high school boys have found that they must leave school very soon owing to conditions brought on by the war. Victor Thorstenson leaves at the end of the week to go home to the farm while Netting was making arrangements to go last Monday. Ralph Irick will probably have to go in a short time also. Others

will probably leave as they are needed. These boys are not anxious to leave their studies but drop out because of the shortage of labor on the farms. Others are joining the national military forces in order that they may do their part. All those who go will receive credit for subjects in which they have a passing grade at the time they leave, provided the school is assured that they are doing satisfactory service to the country.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPLETE POSTER COURSE

About ten of the high school students taking work in the art department under Mrs. Rindlaub were contestants in the Baby Week Poster Contest. A downtown authority on art says that the work from the A. C. was the best handed in by any organization. The posters are now being used in the windows downtown to draw the attention of the public to Baby Week. The one prize awarded went to Miss Edna Merrit of Moorhead.

H. S. AGASSIZ STAFF ELECTED

At a meeting of the high school juniors part of the staff was elected to edit next year's section of the Agassiz. Harold Pederson is to be the editor in chief with Margaret Putman and Eloise Waldron associate editors. Eloise Waldron will have charge of the pictures. An early start on this work will make for a fine section and prevent a rush at the last minute with a great deal of work for a few. Other members of the staff will be selected next year when there may be new students in the class who are especially able to do the work.

HESPERIAN-CASTALIA

Many were absent from the joint meeting of the two literary societies held last Friday evening. However, those present listened to a good program. "The Evolution of the Penny", was given by Amy Euren. Dorothy Nevramon gave a very humorous reading, by Irvin Cobb, "Speaking of Operations". Eloise Waldron played a piano solo and Ralph Irick gave two readings. Miss Charity Pinney as critic gave some valuable suggestions which concluded the meeting.

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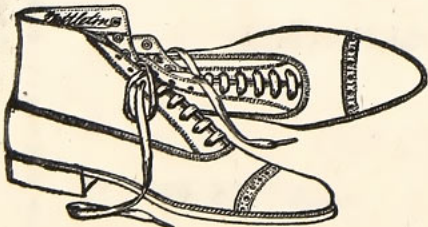
Providing the weather man is favorable the first baseball game of the season will be played today. Our team will take Concordia and will endeavor to see if they cannot get the best of them in the argument. Concordia has the jump on us as they have already played two games. But the Aggies have been putting in some good practice and should be able to make good.

"We sure have some team this year". There is the reason why every student should go out and back them up.

From the outlook we are to have an exceptionally fast team this season, although only four of the 1916 team are back. Smith will endeavor to hold down his place at first. Homme is putting in his last year as a member of the team. His past record is the only introduction he needs. His place is at short. Mould was able to land a place last year and is out for the third corner of the infield. Otis is to be found at his old place on the mound. All these men have been putting good work and although some of the new men will keep them moving they will put up good fights for their places.

Among the new men there is a creditable showing both as to numbers and as to quality. The coach has the proposition of breaking in a new catcher this season. For this position Thorfinnson and Elliott are working. Other candidates for the pitcher's position are Jensen and Coulston. Both are new men but show that they have had past experience. Pat McHugh is showing up well at second but will have to keep up his speed in order to maintain the position against the competition of the other candidates. For the other positions Nemzek, Shinn, Hauser, Kelly, Underwood, Jacobson, and Jacobson, and Peterson are working out. From this list should be able to be found men who can fill the field positions and who can increase the batting average of the team.

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TRACK MEET TO BE HELD ON MAY 25 OR 26

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The date for the Annual Interclass Track Meet has been set for either May 25 or 26. At this time the classes will be pitted against one another on the track. The ranks of every class has been drained by enlistment and the necessity of many returning to work on the farms during the present season. This makes it imperative that every one get out for the meet and make as many points as he is able to. There ought to be some new records established this year.

Other class affairs will be the inter-class baseball tournament. The schedule is being arranged and will be posted this week. Better get out the old mit and get in the game.

True, we have lost many from school and there are many abnormal conditions. But this does not change the needs of those who are here. So let's everyone get out and try for the baseball team or for the track team, or both.

RED-CROSS WORK

GIRLS SHOWING PATRIOTISM BY THE INTEREST THEY ARE TAKING IN THIS WORK.

Enthusiasm still runs high and great interest in manifested by the girls who have enrolled in First Aid work. The second class has been organized with Miss Irick elected as secretary and a doctor is to be selected later and will have charge of the class. This class has not yet reached its limit in membership and all who wish to join are urged to do so immediately. The first class with Dr. Oftedahl as instructor, have already become efficient in taking the pulse, bandaging etc., but are somewhat handicapped until the text books arrive which will no doubt be here by the next meeting, on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock sharp.

Local News

Dean Waldron has been appointed by Governor Frazier to the state Council of Defense. This council will have charge of the work in this state. Other states have named similar councils which will have charge of the war preparations and the food problem in each state. Other Fargo men appointed are Bishop Tyler and A. W. Bowman.

Improvements have been going on in the looks of the campus during the past few days. Numerous shrubs have been set out around the Dairy and the Chemistry buildings. As these grow they will add much to the appearance of the campus. The numerous bulbous plants are also beginning to show up and with a little warm weather the school will present a creditable showing to visitors.

The citizen company which is drilling each week had their regular weekly drill at the college last evening. They have been drilling at the Fargo Auditorium but came out here in order to get the use of the rifles of the local battalion. Lieut. Carrithers directed the work last evening.

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MUSIC DEPARTMENT

DOC HERE ANOTHER YEAR

Doc has been elected to fill the position of director of the Cadet Band and the orchestra and to the position as head of the department of music for another year. With the other members of the faculty he also received an increase in salary for the coming year. This means that with anything like normal conditions the music department will be due for a very successful season next year. This news should be very welcome to any of the seniors in the North Dakota high schools who are anticipating entering the Agricultural College next fall.

News has also been received that the budget for the department for the coming year has been increased so that some needed additions to the equipment of the department will be made next year.

The band is on the program for a number at the Red Cross Benefit concert on Sunday afternoon.

The orchestra is fast rounding into shape for the commencement program which they are to have numbers which will be given in addition to the First Symphony in C by Beethoven.

The average of the band for the winter term was not announced in the list of organizations given in last week's Spectrum. The average

of the thirty-five men was 81.4 per cent.

The members of the band are fast becoming less. Nearly every day sees some leave. The number enrolled now has dropped to about fifteen. This makes the plans for the commencement season very uncertain.

The girls' quartet, now known as The Treble Clef Quartet will give several numbers at the concert given by the Norwegian Baptist church on the evening of May 10th.

The College Quartet appeared last Friday evening, before a large gathering at the Masonic lodge in Moorhead. Paul Horn is taking the place of Lawrence Olwin, who is with the U. S. Marine Corps at Vallejo, Calif.

A benefit concert for Attilio Baggari, the popular Italian tenor, will be given at the Orpheum Theatre Tuesday evening, May 15th. Mr. Baggari is to leave within a few weeks, for New York city, where he will resume his music studies. Miss Mildred Romsdahl and the ladies' chorus of the Fine Arts club will also appear on the program. Miss Grasse, of the music department has tickets for sale and urges the faculty and students, not to miss this concert which promises to be far above the ordinary.

**THE SCIENCE OF
NOTE-TAKING**

Like the stenographer who concentrates all of her attention upon words, the average note-taker in the lecture course attempts to get every word of the lecture verbatim.

Note-taking is a science. It is a science based upon judgment and governed by close attention. Just what is extraneous and what is the gist must be determined by close attention; sub-ordination of material must be arranged by exercise of judgment.

The student who gives his closest attention, jotting down only dates and statistics, gets more out of a course than the person who covers pages with notes. The latter often misses the predominant message in the lecture while trying to get more words, and when preparing for an examination finds it hard to separate what is important from what is superficial. Close mental attention is vastly to be preferred to attention to words; the result of such attention will be much more beneficial than a collection of closely written pages which must be studied and studied again before the reviewer can get out the real meaning of the lecture. —The Michigan Daily.

Ohio university at Athens may adopt, at the beginning of the next school term, a system of grading pupils from their every day work in college instead of through examinations. That this step has long been considered is said to be due university, who has spent practically his entire life in educational work and who recommends the adoption of such a plan as a result of conclusions reached thru his long and valuable experience. —Lawrentian.

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A VERY SUCCESSFUL MEET WAS HELD

TRAINING CONFERENCE AT ABERDEEN OF MUCH VALUE TO THOSE WHO ATTENDED.

The Training Conference at Aberdeen for the cabinet men of the College Associations in the two Dakotas was held last week. About ninety delegates assembled at Aberdeen Saturday morning to discuss the different phases of Association work for the coming year. Under the able guidance of Ray Sweetman we discussed some of the main features of the past year so as to share with one another new ideas and get the benefit of each other's experience. The afternoon session was closed at four o'clock, and at five we went for a hike to the Country Club where we were banqueted and royally entertained.

After supper we gathered around the fireplace in the big bungalow and sang some of the old Geneva songs which no one who has been to Geneva can ever forget. Then the meeting was thrown open in order to give Geneva men an opportunity to say what they thought of Geneva for the benefit of those who had not been there. Sitting there quietly around the fireplace we almost felt as though we were at Geneva. It brought back vividly all those experiences, those moments of deeper fellowship, those periods when we seemed to be lifted above ourselves and enabled to see clearly the worldwide problems. After several students had spoken "Dad" Elliott was called on to tell us about the plans for the coming conference at Geneva in June. He emphasized the need of a good conference this year especially, when all the world seems to be war crazy, and when people scarcely feel any more the awfulness of this wholesale murder. Then he called on us as representatives from the schools of the Dakotas to do our best to send larger delegations than ever to Geneva. Altogether, this was one of the best meetings of the season.

During the sessions that followed on Sunday and Monday we heard Dad Elliott again and also Mr. S. Wirt Wiley, General Secretary of the Minneapolis Y. M. C. A., Mr. Paul Reichel, secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement, and Mr. Trawick who holds the same position among the students in the south as "Dad" does in the central west. Mr. Trawick spoke of the big opportunities for real Christian service in every community, pointed out the needs in our prisons, the needs among some poor boys, as the newsies, in the cities and also the needs in the poorer districts even of smaller cities. He not only made these problems more real but he made us feel our own responsibility for helping to solve them. Trawick will be remembered for his geniality and humor as well as for his sincerity, by the boys who were there, for his humorous stories, mixed in with the pathetic conditions which he described, made us almost "split our sides" laughing. Mr. Wiley spoke on the Association Secretaryship, the qualifica-

tions and preparation necessary, and the big opportunities open to those who enter that field. He spoke of the different lines of work and the big need of men who can qualify for the work. Mr. Reichel spoke of the Missionary movement and for those who heard him here there is no need for comment on his message.

Most of the time at the conference was taken for actual discussion and planning as to how best to attack the problems of the coming year. As one of the results of the conference a big evangelistic program is being planned for the schools of the Dakotas which will bring us some of the biggest men, such as Mott and Weatherford.

The Northern Normal and Industrial School, and the citizens of Aberdeen deserve a great deal of credit for the way they opened their doors to all the delegates and helped in every way to make our visit a pleasant one. We shall always have a warm spot in our hearts for them, and we hope to return the compliment if at some time the conference is held at our school.

M. T.

Y. M. C. A. TRAINING SCHOOL PLANNED

Plans are being made for a training school for those who enlist for service in the Y. M. C. A. work among the American soldiers. Ray Sweetman was here the middle of last week and outlined the plans for these camps which are to be held at the Training College at Chicago and at Geneva. Plans had been made to hold the first of these camps during the month of May but word has been received that this plan has been abandoned.

The plans of the association are to have a trained secretary in each division of the Army. In addition there will be with each division a physical director, an educational secretary, a religious secretary and a man to do the general clerical work. It is planned to have a large building or tent from which the work will be directed. The association plans to put only trained men in these positions. Already there have been numerous applications for these places.



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Third,—If a student is employed in any munition plant, factory or food establishment in connection with war preparedness, under conditions as governing the foregoing, and presents a certificate from his employer at the end of the spring term, he shall receive credit for the term's work.

Fourth,—Students entering upon service under similar conditions for hospital service, Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. work in connection with military preparedness, shall be given credit for the term's work on presentation of certificate from official in charge, showing that they have been regular upon attendance and have done efficient work.

WASHBURN TO STUDY PAINTS

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