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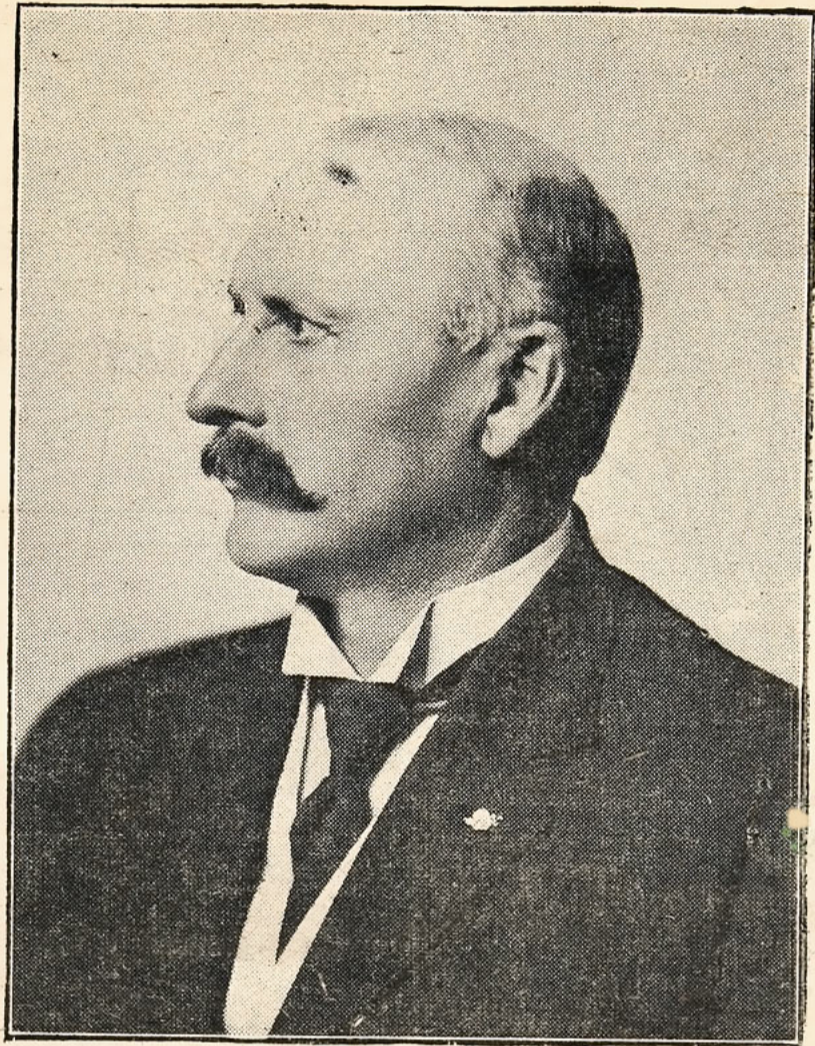
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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

at the Annual Meeting, June 13, 1916

Because of his diligence his patriotic solicitude
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his wisdom as a leader in education
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H. E. Dixon, Vice President
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February 8, 1917.

A. M. Christensen,
A. C.
My Dear Friend:

The testimonial from the Alumni which you were kind enough
to send we just received.

I have no suitable words at my command to properly express my
gratitude for this token of friendship and good will.

I wish I could see you all together once more, for then I could
express myself better in words than to write them. But rest assured
I appreciate the little document, but most of all the sentiments it con-
tains.

With best wishes to all my good friends of the A. C. Alumni and
the assurance of a lasting friendship on my part

I remain sincerely yours,
J. H. Worst.

An educational institution is judged largely by the graduates it
turns out, by their success in life, by the prominence attained by
them in their vocational or professional calling.

Measured by this standard the North Dakota Agricultural Col-
lege has no need to be solicitous, for the percent of our graduates
attaining eminence in their chosen fields, compared with those of
other institutions of the same age, cannot be questioned. So too in
the industrial and technical courses. The men from this institution
are making good and I congratulate them on their record. This I
can say freely since the training for them has been under my worthy
predecessor.

Let us not forget, that we owe a duty to the college and to the
State, not only to keep up the splendid showing of the past, but to
strive through loyalty to our Alma Mater and by hard work to reach
even a higher standard, to place the Agricultural College in the front
rank of the Land Grant Colleges of America. Let us endeavor to
build so well the educational base that none can successfully chal-
lenge our position among the educational institutions of our group.
Let the vocational spirit develop. Let industrial education be well
rounded out, for there is just as much intellectual training to be had
from a study of professional and vocational subjects as there is to be
had from a study of the classics or the languages.

America needs today more men and women trained with a broad
vision of life to act as leaders in the task of reorganizing society to
meet the new conditions arising in agricultural and industrial life.
The great majority of our people must ever find employment in
these callings, and men need to be so trained that never again, when
the reorganization now progressing is completed, shall it be possible
to find the opportunities and advantages of life unfavorable to the
great majority.

As we are mobilizing the forces and resources of our nation to-
wards preparedness of our country, so we need to mobilize the ag-
ricultural and industrial forces of the country that they shall remain
in the future, as they have been in the past, the great stabilizing
force of the nation. It should be the privilege of our graduates to
have a prominent place in this new order, and to become the lead-
ers and guiding spirits in every great movement for the uplift of the
industrial world. We cannot longer live apart for each is now de-
pendent upon the other since society has become so complex and
responsibilities so intimately interwoven one with another. For suc-
cess, organization is essential but it must be organization along un-
selfish and constructive lines, led by men trained to lead for real ac-
hievement for all the people. In the past, as a people, we have been
optimistic, full of hope and determined to succeed without always

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WITH THE ALUMNI
A. W. Fowler, '01, was reelected as State's Attorney of Cass County at the last general election.
Norman Risjord '16, has recently taken charge of the agricultural work in the Lanesboro, Minnesota schools.

Raymond Drewry, '16, is at present located at Buchanan, N. D., where he is principal of the local schools.

Ruth Brown, '15, is completing her second year as instructor in Domestic Science at the Fessenden, N. D. High School.

Waldemar G. Richter, '15, spent a year at Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago, after his graduation and is now taking post-graduate work at the University of North Dakota.

Mrs. Geo. H. Norby, nee May Hooper, who has annexed unto herself a dutiful husband, is now engaged as menial at the court of Mary Adelaide Norby, a bouncing baby girl. Congratulations May.

Palmer L. Foss, '11, now proprietor of an up-to-date drug-store in Page, N. D., has made several visits to the college, especially to see the more important athletic contests. Foss was married to Miss Thompson of Page during the last year.

Oscar O. Wilcox, '15, who has been farming for himself, since graduation, at Kempton, N. D., is becoming one of the leaders of that community, judging from the reports reaching here. Wilcox was married in the fall of 1915 and now has a boy who is planning on entering the Agricultural College in the years to come.

Chas. G. Carlson, '15, Principal of the Nolteimer Consolidated School near Valley City, N. D., was given considerable publicity in the press of the northwest recently when he came out with some new ideas regarding the relation of agricultural education to the state.

G. C. Zeigleman, '13, is making decided progress as chemist for the Sears, Roebuck Company of Chicago. Gus is in line for a promotion to a superintendency of one of their factories, so his training at school must have stood him in good stead.

Harold B. Bachman, '16, Director of the community band, orchestra, and chorus of Harvey, N. D., surprised even his most intimate friends when he married Miss Martinson of Minot recently. Harold staged a community festival last Christmas that would have done his old instructor credit. Harold is the idol of the town and is making a name for himself as a community leader.

THE THINKER
Back of the beating hammer
By which the steel is wrought,
Back of the workshop's clamor
The seeker may find the Thought;
The Thought that is ever master
Of iron and steam and steel,
That rises above disaster
And tramples it under heel!

The drudge may fret and tinker
Or labor with dusty blows,
But back of him stands the Thinker,
The clear-eyed man who Knows;
For into each plow or saber,
Each piece and part and whole,
Must go the Brains of Labor,
Which gives the work a soul!

Back of the motors humming,
Back of the belts that sing,
Back of the hammers drumming,
Back of the cranes that swing,
There is the eye which scans them
Watching through stress and strain
There is the Mind which plans them—
Back of the brawn, the Brain!

Might of the roaring boiler,
Force of the engine's thrust,
Strength of the sweating toiler,
Greatly in these we trust.
But back of them stands the Schemer
The Thinker who drives things
through;
Back of the Job—the Dreamer
Who's making the dream come true!
—Berton Braley.

Ray Gibbens, '16, another Cando product, has been a frequent visitor in Fargo since last June. Ray is now helping his father on their bonanza grain farm in Towner county.

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Walter E. Botsford '15, is instructor in Agriculture and Athletics in the Wibeaux High School, Wibeaux, Mont.

Laura Taylor '14, is teaching Home Economics in Wheaton High School. This is Miss Taylor's 3rd year as instructor in Wheaton schools.

Lynn H. Leslie, '16 now engaged as engineer with the Government is on his way to the Mexican border, in the interests of the government.

Ralph Smith '14, of Dickinson Sub-Station spent the winter in Washington, D. C., and has now returned to his position in North Dakota.

Peter J. Olson '10, writes that he is now the proud father of a girl born to them on February 23rd. Congratulations Pete. We always thought you were a family man.

Thomas J. Jackson '14, who was employed as Government Farmer in the Indian service at Ft. Thompson, S. D. is taking graduate work at the South Dakota State College.

H. J. Stafseth '15, is a graduate student and instructor in bacteriology at Michigan State College. Henrik could not pay old A. C. enough compliments when our foot ball team played at Lansing in 1916.

E. W. Anderson '14, is County Agricultural Agent of Sheridan County, Montana. Andy got tired farming for himself and concluded spread the gospel of Better Agriculture among his less fortunate fellow men.

C. A. Williams '14, representative of the B. F. Godrich Rubber Co., Minneapolis is seen in Fargo quite frequently. It is reported that Bill is coming back to Fargo to make his head quarters as manager of the local branch of the Goodrich Rubber Co.

A. C. Anderson '12, is connected with the Forest Service of the United States Department of Agriculture and was stationed at Ogden, Utah, during the winter. Andy wrote to the secretary of the alumni association a short time ago, sending his check for \$10.00 as a Life membership fee.

John L. Horne '15, is farming on an extensive scale at Penn, N. D. According to all reports the only thing lacking in his farm business is the fact that he has not yet secured a wife to look after the interests of his Household. Here's hoping you will soon be successful John.

Oliver Dynes, '07, who is instructor in farm crops at Cornell U, Ithaca, N. Y., has come into possession of a gas wagon and is making periodic visits to the Canadian front. Whether Oliver is contemplating matrimony or only becoming acquainted with the Allies' methods of warfare is beyond us.

John C. Thysell, '08, who recently was promoted to the superintendency of the Dickinson sub-station, is meeting with much success in his new position. Mr. Thysell, together with his wife and little boy, spent the winter in Washington, D. C., and visited the college on their return trip.

Amy Whitman '15, instructor in Home Economics in Pembina High School writes that the snow has been so deep in that part of the State that it has been necessary for "Chris" to break two of his week end appointments. This was because of the fact that no trains were running between Fargo and Pembina at these particular times.

ARE ANY OF YOUR ACQUAINTANCES IN THIS CLASS

Upon the ship "Gulusha Chad," That sailed the watery brine, Bill Stover was the wisest lad That ever drew a line; And I'd be stowed and likewise blowed If I knew all that William knowed.

One time I asked, "What bards o' Greece Was greatest of their class?" He answered, "Fido, Pyranees, And Erysipelas." I must confess, I ruther guess, Ye couldn't corner William S.

And chemistry! Say, Bill could talk, As easy as a wink, On any alimony, sulphur, chalk, And suicide of zinc,— He'd tell you, too, what he could do By mixin' radium with glue.

And so it was quite natterile That William liked to shirk, To set in contemplation while Us others done the work. Says Bill, "By heck, guess I don't wreck Me mind by swabbin' down no deck!"

And, while we worked and held our tongues, Wise Bill continued thus A-tellin' all the ribs and lungs What growed inside of us; And, if ye please, he'd name with ease Jest eighty kinds o' heart disease!

Until, one day, the mate he says To knowing Bill, says he, "You should be writin' books instead Of loafin' round the sea. I'll hire some slob to fill your job.— For any Chinaman can swab." —Wallace Irwin.

ANOTHER WAY TO GET THROUGH COLLEGE

There have been several novel plans suggested whereby one could work his way through college, but the latest comes from the Texas A. and M. College.

P. S. Goen, according to a recent number of the American Magazine, of Harvey, Texas, wanted a college education. But, as he says "We had an extra supply of cows at home and a shortage of money. I wanted a college education, and I was not going to let the lack of money stop me. I have decided that I can sell enough milk to residents of the campus to meet at least my incidental expenses. All I ask is the use of a barn and a small pasture."

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L. P. Nemzek, is chief chemist with the John Lucas Paint Co., Gibbsboro, N. J.

Rex E. Willard '08 is Agriculturist in the office of Farm Management, Washington, D. C.

Genevieve M. Grover '15, is teaching her second year at the Winona Normal school, Winona, Minn.

M. H. Harrington '11, is employed with the Fore River Ship-building Corporation, Quincy, Mass.

Clyde H. Bailey '13, is engaged as chemist in the Minnesota Grain Inspection Department, Minneapolis.

W. E. Crouch, '16, Biological Assistant United States Department of Agriculture is stationed at Pocatello, Idaho in rodent control work.

C. L. Schumann '13, has received his M. S. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Michigan. He is now instructor in organic chemistry at the University of Minnesota.

Gabriel Lundy '14, is taking graduate work in Economics at the University of Wisconsin. Gabriel writes that he expects to secure an M. S. degree in June.

Harry Herbrandson '13, is now engaged as field agent for the United States Department of Agriculture and is stationed at Watertown, South Dakota.

F. R. Babcock '08, assistant in Cereal Investigation, United States Dept. of Agricultural since returning from Washington has located at the A. C. doing special work on milling tests of cereals.

F. H. Hackett '13, was married to Miss Cunnie A. Kraft of West Point, Nebraska, on November 30, 1916. Congratulations Fred, even though they are out of season. He writes that he has won sixty per cent of the games in basket ball and foot ball with an entirely green team.

Melvin P. Ostby '14, is instructor in Agriculture at Pine River High School, Minnesota. Melvin became so enthusiastic about baseball last summer he broke his leg, attempting to win a game. We do not think it would be possible for him to become a dignified Prof. unless he were excluded from playing baseball, at least.

W. H. Foley '11, since leaving the A. C. has received the following degrees: B. A. and M. A. University of North Dakota; Ph. D. Dixon College; D. O. Metropolitan College and M. D. International College. He is now assistant chemist and bacteriologist in diagnosis laboratory, Chicago, Ill.

A. M. Christiansen '16, is assistant and botanist in seed analysis at the A. C. "Chris" has been exceedingly happy during the past month in view of the fact that he will no longer find it necessary (after June 1917) to make his regular bimonthly visit to Pembina. Whether he is contemplating matrimony, or the removal of the "Lady" in question to a more convenient place we are not able to ascertain at the time of going to press.

We are glad to receive communications from the older alumni. Four members of the class of 1901 have answered the cards sent to them by the president, O. M. Thompson, Superintendent of Edgeley Experiment Station. N. R. Olson, Grain Dealer, Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce. L. B. Greene, Physician and Surgeon, Edgeley, N. D., and Thos. T. Manns, plant pathologist and soil bacteriologist, Delaware College, Newark, Delaware.

THE RELATION OF
OUR MARRIED ALUMNAE
TO THE A. C.

How different are our relations to our Alma Mater as we mount the ladder by which we rise from college, to teach, and finally, to the top-most round of any woman's career—the round which brings us to the state of wife and mother! Unless one passes through these various stages it is difficult to realize the vast difference which occurs in our relations to the school which trained us, as we approach each separate guide post.

As a teacher half of our work consists in merely telling to others the many things which have been told to us. The other half consists in making others practice those things which we have learned by the actual doing of them. In married life our function of "telling" should be greatly subordinated to the function of "doing".

We are grateful as teachers to the institution which has trained us by giving us equipment to make our own living and to take pleasure in the earning of it. But if those of us who have taken the course in Home Economics are fortunate enough, or unfortunate enough as the case may be, to have been able to persuade some man to encumber himself with us for life then do we really feel gratitude for the training we have received in all the strenuous activities relating to home making. No better advertiser should be able to be found than the married alumna of a school. She is not only able to influence others to attend her school but can have the aim of sending her own children in the years that are to come.

To the married alumna whose obligations come so rapidly that many times loyalty to the A. C. cannot be shown by regular attendance upon the college affairs. I would say, "Speak a good word for your institution upon all occasions, for little do you know what fertile soil that seed of boasting may fall."

—Mrs. Norby, '13.

The Oregon Emerald starts the second semester under a new arrangement. They have, as is the case with other school papers, had difficulties in the past with some of the mechanical aspects of the paper. Under the new arrangement which they have made with the school of journalism, the copy-reading and the proof-reading will be under the direct supervision of the school of journalism and the general supervision of the editor of the Emerald. The paper will maintain its strict independence of faculty administration, cliques, or any influence, but the mechanical side of the paper will undoubtedly be improved under the new management.

SERMON AND COMMENT

An editorial worthy of more than ordinary consideration from the citizens of today.

F. W. Hirst, in his Political Economy of War, remarks that at the birth of Christ the standing armies of the Roman Empire numbered about three hundred thousand men. They were stationed in Europe, Asia and Africa, and held in check not only the old populous civilization to the east but countless hordes of barbarians to the north and northeast. Not long afterward a new code of human conduct was given to the world, which all Europe presently adopted.

In the time of George the First—say, two centuries ago—Christianized Europe managed to get along with about the same number of fighting men that had sufficed pagan Augustus. The modern phase of civilization was by way of beginning then. Louis the Fourteenth was dead. It had recently been decided definitely that England was to have a constitutional representative government. White settlers were pushing into the Mississippi Valley. The steam engine as well as the French Revolution were both in the making.

By the middle of the next century the modern phase was in full flower. Democracy had been invented, and measurably put in practice by the United States, England and France. The deep Continental stir and uprising of 1848 had taken place. And Europe's standing armies had risen to more than two and a half million

men—to go on augmenting steadily up to the grand Christian climax of this year of grace, in which we see something like thirty million men in arms.

That is our comment on the Sermon on the Mount. Augustus is not credited with a sense of humor; but we suppose his shade grins now and then.

—The Country Gentleman.

Canute G. Gullickson, '15, was herdsman for the Hartley Stock Farm at Page for some time, but is now farming for himself at Enderslin, N. D.

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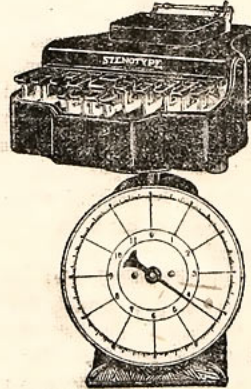
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WRITE TO THE REGISTRAR FOR CIRCULARS, CATALOG, AND ADMISSION BLANKS.
FALL TERM BEGINS SEPTEMBER 21—INDUSTRIAL COURSES BEGIN OCT. 23

WITH THE ALUMNI

Lena Honett, '15, is at present teaching in the high school at Lakota, N. D.

C. H. Waldron, '12, is completing his third year as assistant botanist in the State Department of Agriculture at Raleigh, North Carolina. Clarence is in charge of the seed laboratory at that place.

Katherine Ladd, '16, gave a glowing report of the Rochester, Minn. schools where she is teaching this year, upon her visit to Fargo some time ago.

Maud A. Engle, '16, has made several trips to Fargo during the year. She is teaching in the Wahpeton High School.

Erma M. Thomas, '16, has been instructor of home economics in the Petersburg, N. D. high school this year.

Mabel Holmes, '15, has taken a liking to Warroad, Minn., where she has taught for nearly two years. Mabel comes down to Fargo whenever she can and judging from the tales she tells, Warroad must be some town.

Earl B. Hunt, '11, and Mrs. Eugenia Ruff Hunt, '14, are located at Winnifred, Montana.

Carl E. Lee, '97, is the assistant commissioner and dairy specialist for the State of Wisconsin.

Robt. Pearson, '14, after a year's experience teaching has accepted the position of assistant city engineer for the City of Fargo.

E. W. Hall, County Agent at Willis-ton, N. D.

SPRING SONG

I'll be glad when the winter is over; it's just about driving me mad. I yearn for the coming of summer when I think of the luck that I've had. It is not that I hate the cold breezes that greet me at most every turn; it's the luck I've had buying rubbers and the money they've caused me to burn. Last month I bought some golashes—coughed up one buck for the things—and sailed up to class one morning as proud as a ship-load of kings. I go by the dictates of hygiene as taught in the days of yore, so I took of my priceless possessions and left them in sight near the door. Next hour I looked for those rubbers, but alas they weren't to be found; some guy without honor and cash was wearing my footgear around.

Once more I gave a good dollar for a pair of rubbers, non-slips, but they went the way of their brethren. O, that I'd bought 'em with lips. Yet again I ran to the cobbler; laid down my last copper cent, put on the dear gutta percha's; and with revengeful bloody intent, laid plans to trap the unwary by feigning to sleep in my chair. My plans were very successful—when I woke the darn things weren't there. Slow and careful I step in the treacherous paths of the town, morbid and ugly my mind to think of the money I've sown. I'll be glad when the winter is over; it's just about driving me mad; I yearn for the days of old summer when I think of the luck that I've had.—Uraliar—N. Hampshire.

Colonel South was under the painful necessity of administering a sound thrashing to his son, Samuel. After he had completed his labors, he said sternly to his suffering victim:

"Now, tell me why I punished you."

"That's it," sobbed Sammy. "You nearly pound the life out of me, and now you don't even know why you did it."

CONSTITUTION
of the
North Dakota Agricultural College
Alumni Association.

ART. I. NAME.

This organization shall be known as the N. D. A. C. alumni association.

ART. II. OBJECT

The objects of this association are: to aid in the mutual welfare of the members, to sustain their interest in their alma mater, and to advance the welfare of the Agricultural College

ART. III. MEMBERSHIP

Sec. 1. Active membership in this association is limited to students that have received degrees from the N. D. A. C. Eligible candidates for active membership may become such by signing this constitution and by paying the necessary fees.

Sec. 2. Individuals who are alumni at the time of the ratification of this constitution become its charter members.

Sec. 3. Those, other than N. D. A. C. students, that have received degrees from the college, become honorary members of this association, and are accorded the privileges and subject to the restrictions of such members

Sec. 4. Any active member of the association may become a life member by the payment of ten dollars to the treasurer of the association. A life member is exempt from the payment of yearly dues as specified under Art. 3, Section 1 of the by-laws but is subject to all special assessments that may be levied as provided in article 3, Sec. 1 of the by-laws.

ART. IV. ANNUAL MEETINGS

The annual meeting of this association shall be held on the day following the annual commencement day, at such hour as the executive committee of that year may direct.

ART. V. OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The officers of this association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and four Members at large. These officers shall be elected by ballot at each regular meeting and shall hold offices until their successors are duly elected. Those receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected.

Sec. 2. Duties of Officers.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the association, to appoint committees and to perform such duties as usually pertain to that office.

It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in the absence of the latter.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to record the minutes of the various meetings in a book provided for that purpose, to notify members of time of meetings, and of all assessments that may be levied against them; to handle the moneys belonging to the association and keep a proper account of them; to render a financial report at each annual meeting, accompanying the same by vouchers of all moneys so expended; to keep on hand for inspection a correct list of the names and addresses of all alumni including in this list their occupation and other items of general interest; and to perform such other duties as usually pertain to that office.

It shall be the duty of the Members at large to act as members of the Executive Committee.

ART. V. COMMITTEES

Sec. 1. There shall be a standing committee known as the executive committee consisting of the President, Secretary-Treasurer and Members at large.

Sec. 2. The President shall appoint such special committees as may be deemed necessary by the association, but such committees shall be limited to the duties especially assigned to them.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to transact all

business of the association except such business as the association may desire to transact at their annual meeting.

Sec. 4. Nominations for any office of the association may be made by five members providing the proper petitions are filed with the secretary before April 1st of each year. If the ticket is not complete before that date the President shall be empowered to appoint a nominating committee of five members to complete the ballot.

ART. VI. WAIVING AND AMENDING

Sec. 1. This constitution may not be waived.

Sec. 2. This constitution and by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting. Amendments to this constitution and by-laws may also be made by a two-thirds vote of all the members of the association when voting on ballots prepared by the executive committee and mailed to all the members of the association by the secretary. The results of such balloting shall be certified to by the executive committee. No ballot received by the secretary later than the day preceding Alumni Day shall be counted.

ART. VII.

Sec. 1. This constitution shall be ratified upon its being signed by two-thirds of the N. D. A. C. alumni.

BY-LAWS. ART. I. QUORUM.

The active members of this association shall constitute a quorum.

ART. II. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to order.

Roll call.

Reading of minutes of last annual meeting.

Reports of committees.

Reports of Secretary-Treasurer.

Old and new business.

Election of officers.

Adjournment.

ART. III. MONEYS.

Sec. 1. All moneys of this association are to be raised by a tax upon the active members. The annual tax shall amount to one dollar for each member per annum. If a member shall allow more than one year to elapse without the payment of such tax, he shall be delinquent, but such delinquent may become reinstated upon the payment of one dollar and be accorded all privileges of a member. If more money is needed than is afforded by the annual tax a special pro rata assessment shall be levied upon the members; provided, however, that such pro rata assessment shall not be made to defray the expenses of banquets or other similar functions in which only a portion of the members participate. In such case the pro rata assessment shall be levied upon the members actually participating.

The Industrial Collegian in one of the late issues, expresses a thought that is very applicable to our own A. C. Much more could be said on the subject and it might be applied in more ways than suggested, however, it is to the point and thought-provoking.

Why not make use of some of this time and visit some of the various departments around the college in which you are not taking work and familiarize yourself with them? How many engineers have been through the pharmacy room, or how many economics students have visited the dairy department, or how many pharmacists are acquainted with the workings of the engineering department?

When you get through college and our friends ask you about the work of a certain department in which you did not take work, what will you be able to answer? Let's be efficient and learn what advantages we have around State College, and not simply confine ourselves to the department in which we are specializing.

The Semester vacation should be a good time to pick up a little education outside of your own line.

COMMENCEMENT PLANS

Elaborate plans are under way to make the coming commencement in June the best one that the institution has ever had. The classes have been increasing in number so rapidly the past few years that each succeeding class makes the alumni association a more vital factor in the life of the institution, and their interest must be considered more and more. How can we better show our strength and influence than by getting together at least once a year to take up the problems confronting the institution's welfare insofar as they affect us. Our graduates have traveled around considerably and can see institutional matters from an outsider's point of view. Why, then, should not all the alumni who can possibly do so, return for commencement so that all their opinions may be had on any problem placed before the association.

At last year's commencement there were fully seventy-five of the old grads back. We must double that number this year. Are you going to be one of that number? We want every alumni to start making plans now for breaking away from his or her work for those few days so we can have a real big family reunion in June. Which class is going to have the largest percentage of representation? Is it going to be '98, '08, '12, '14, or '16? Nobody need fear that their time will not be well taken. There is the banquet, the ball and the annual meeting, all for the alumni. Why couldn't we have an alumni picnic or a song contest between each class? And think of all those old cronies who will be back to tell of their experiences since leaving school.

A number of the alumni who have never been back since graduation have already signified their intention of coming in for the doings. Let us hear from some more, better yet, just pack up and come. Train service is fine, hotel service better. Let's forget our troubles for once and come down to Fargo for one big rousing good time. Remember the date, June.

A. M. Christensen, '16.

ART AND HEART

Though critics may bow to art, and I am its own true lover,
It is not art, but heart, which wins the wide world over.

Though smooth be the heartless prayer, no ear in heaven will mind it,
And the finest phrase falls dead, if there is no feeling behind it.

Though perfect the player's touch, little if any he sways us,
Unless we feel his heart throb through the music he plays us.

Though the poet may spend his life in skilfully rounding a measure,
Unless he writes from a full warm heart, he gives us little pleasure.
So it is not the speech which tells, but the impulse which goes with the saying.

And it is not the words of the prayer, but the yearning back of the praying.

It is not the artist's skill, which into our soul comes stealing,
With a joy that is almost pain, but it is the player's feeling.

And it is not the poet's song, though sweeter than sweet bells chiming.

Which thrills us through and through but the heart which beats under the rhyming.

And therefore I say again, though I am art's own true lover,

That it is not art, but heart, which wins the wide world over.

—Ella W. Wilcox.

WITH THE ALUMNI

"Charley" Ruzicka, '11, who is Superintendent of the Williston Sub-Station, has taken quite a fancy to sheep and has obtained some excellent results from the few cars of stock already fed and marketed.

Carl Paine, '15, finds it rather difficult to part with his Fargo friends. Paine is still with Holmes & Company, but expects to take up a new line of work in the near future.

T. X. Calnan, '13, Tom Hannan's old stand-by, succeeded in convincing one of Wimbledon's fair school teachers that she would find in "Tommy" a fair running mate, hence his flyer in matrimony. Calnan, County Agent for the northern half of Barnes County, is always busy and finds little time for trips back to school.

Fern Dynes, '12, who has been teaching at Casselton for several years, finds plenty of time to visit Fargo and the A. C. during the week-ends.

Albert Shunk, '16, spent some months at Williston after graduation, but is now located at the main experiment station in Fargo, looking after the statistical work.

Edgar I. Olsen, '13, now has entire charge of the county agent work of Grand Forks County. Olsen is doing some effective work in that county and the results of his tireless work is beginning to show in the amount of live stock that is being raised in that community, to say nothing of the club work and increase in the alfalfa acreage.

Ethel Poole, '16, has been teaching domestic science in the high school at Appleton, Minn., during the past year. Ethel will surely be a campus visitor for commencement.

Herbert E. Gross, '14, left the A. C. recently to accept a position as chemist for the Indiana Industrial Paint Co., of Chicago.

Ursula Grest, '16, thinks there is no place like Lake Park, Minn., where she is teaching domestic science this season.

Hal Pollock, '14, secured his M. S. A. at Cornell since completing his work at this institution, and is now taking up special work at the Moorhead Normal.

Barbra Heidner, '16, is enjoying her spring vacation in Fargo at the present time. She will return to her school at McIntosh, Minn., at the end of this week.

A. C. Sorensen, '15, has taken over the management of his father's farm at Webster, N. D., and is going into the breeding of blooded live stock.

Grace E. Briscoe, '12, is at present teaching in the high school at Aneta, N. D.

Katherine Keye, '16, who is teaching at Glyndon, Minn., this year, is a frequent visitor in Fargo. "Kitty" expects to return to Glyndon next year, as that place is rather conveniently situated for a person in Kitty's position.

Curran G. Rourke, '16, spent eight profitable (?) months on the Mexican border with the National Guard, soon after receiving his diploma. "Rookie" is now in Florida, Lake Alfred to be specific, raising citrus fruit. Rourke expects to be in Fargo in five or six weeks.

Geo. F. Stewart, '15, has been superintendent of the Gilby, N. D., schools for the past two years, but expects to go farming in the near future, now that he has a partner.

THE FUTURE OF COUNTY AGENT WORK

The outlook is particularly bright for this form of agricultural extension. The County Agent movement is bound to progress. Its underlying principles are inherently sound.

Isolated cases of failure of the work are due primarily to a lack of understanding regarding its real nature. Generally speaking, people do not understand the true function and purpose of the County Agent. Too often he is regarded as a sort of "superior being preordained to accomplish great things". He has but to wave his magic wand and the crops grow, the flowers bloom, trees bear fruit, animal and crop diseases vanish, and boys and girls stay home on the farm. People regard him much as the colored parson regarded a brother parson from a neighboring congregation when he introduced his brother to the flock one Sabbath morning. "Bredren and sistren, Pahson Jones am de greatest man ob dis yere generation. He can do de undoable, see de unseeable, and unscrew ed inscrutable."

The County Agent is essentially an organizer, the director of extension activities within his county, a co-operating force with the Agricultural College in disseminating agricultural information. When his constituents get this larger idea the work will rest on a firmer foundation. He is not an expert in any special branch of farm operations and the moment he poses as such his work lacks in effectiveness. He is not essentially an advisor, because the average agent has not had the years of experience that must necessarily be combined with his scientific skill and knowledge to make him competent as an advisor. His work must consist in "showing how" instead of "telling how". This is the demonstration idea and is the key note of successful County Agent work.

The County Agent principle is sound because of the human element, because the Agent gets in direct, personal touch with his constituents. The farmer is interested in any proposition that is a business proposition. The benefit that he can get in dollars and cents is something that appeals to him. Two South Dakota counties voted on the question of retaining the County Agent at the November election and the vote was two to one and three to one in favor of continuing the work. In both of these counties a great deal of personal service work had been done and the farmers were quick to realize it. However, this feature of the work may be over emphasized. It is a physical impossibility for the agent to reach all of his constituents under this system. It may be concluded that the most successful agent is he who works with groups rather than with individuals. This means the organization of clubs and associations or utilizing organizations already in existence. This will place the work upon a basis of permanency. Organizations will demand a leader, someone who will give them something to do.

A. R. WIJE, '15.
Agricultural Agent, Kingsbury,
County, South Dakota.
March 26, 1917.

As Widow Watts bent industriously over her washtub, she was treated to polite conversation by a male friend, who presently turned the conversation on matrimony, winding up with a proposal of marriage.

"Are ye sure ye love me?" sighed the buxom widow, pausing in her wringing.

And the man vowed he did.

For a few minutes there was a silence as the widow continued her labor. Then suddenly she raided her head and asked him suspiciously:

"You ain't lost yer job, 'ave yer?"

LESSONS LEARNED IN THE SCHOOL OF EXPERIENCE

Dear Editor:

You asked me to write an article for the Alumni issue of The Spectrum. As you know farm life in the winter is comparatively quiet and not conducive to thrilling experiences to furnish material but I will give you a brief outline of the neighborhood activities for the past few months.

Perhaps I should say that our farm is out here near Davenport, that section of Cass county that the Courier-News devoted so much space to, the past season, in urging drainage. Of course we do need county drains but the fact that the land owners do not all think alike on the subject, has led the pros. and cons. on a wild chase for signers on the various petitions and protests. And now after several very heated "ditch meetings," we are to have fifty miles of huge county drains at an expense of about a quarter of a million dollars, unless the opposition stops the work thru court proceedings.

And in the meantime, the "millionaire" swindler, David Mc Neil of whom you probably read, was making this community his field for operation. This man, who is as accomplished in his line as any one hears of, came into this neighborhood last spring as a laborer dead-broke and worked for his board for a time. He later began to speak of money he was to get on Jan. 1st; then began playing the wheat market to advantage in the early fall; and then to buy up farms. In all he bought four farms and bargained for two more, all to be paid for Jan. 1st, when he should receive his money. He bot stock and equipment for all the farms and hired foremen and their families to run them. He also opened a fully equipped office in Davenport; had "get acquainted" parties and held market days. For the latter he had a pavillion erected and shipped in three carloads of cows from South St. Paul. Paying for them with a check on a Chicago bank. Shortly before Christmas he paid his small bills around town and left for St. Paul to buy more cattle for his farms. And he never returned. When the smoke cleared away each farm owner found himself out several hundred dollars and on account of the substantial credit McNeil got at a local bank through bogus securities, that business place is now closed.

And the man was so smooth in all his transactions that no one suspected he was crooked until he had been gone a couple of weeks. May the Bankers' Association soon catch him! But the McNeil operations and the closing of the bank gave the neighborhood food for thought for some time.

Our activities, however, have not all been so abnormal. Local talent, both in music and dramatics, has furnished entertainment thruout the winter and nearly every week some school house or town hall has been the center of a neighborhood gathering.

And so the winter passes and spring is upon us with its rush of water and work and our thots turn toward commencement again. If all goes as we expect, we shall be there with the rest of the "has beens."
Emily May Plath, '06.

LEGISLATURE VISITS SCHOOLS

The entire state legislature of Oregon adjourned last week and spent two days in visiting the Oregon University at Eugene and O. A. C. at Corvallis. Many new ideas were gained and the legislators will now have more of a basis for their deliberations on any subject relating to the university and the agricultural college.

Rizpah Ladd, '16, has been teaching home economics in the Morristown, Minn., high school for the past year.

ABOU SWEN ANSON

Abou Swen Anson (he ban yolly dog)
Ban asleep von night so sound lak
log,
Ven all at once he tenk it sure ban
day.
"Ay skol vake op now." Maester An-
son say.
But, ven he vake, it ant ban day at
all,
He see a gude big light right close
to vall,
And dar ban anyel faller vith stub
pen.
"Gude morning, maester onyel man,"
say Swen.
"Ay s'pose," he tal the anyel, "yu
ban har
To pay me wisit. Skol yu have
cigar?"
The anyel shake his head, and Abou
Swen
Ask him: "Val, Maester, vy yu com
har den?"
Vat skol yu write in dis har book of
gold?"
The anyel say, "All fallers, young
and old,
Who go to church and prayer meet-
ing, tu;
But ay ant got a place in har for
yu."
"Ay s'pose", say Abou, "yu got noder
book
For common lumberjacks vich never
took
Flyer at church or dis har Sunday-
school,
But yust try hard to keeping Golden
Rule.
Ef yu got dis book, Maester, put me
in!"
Den anyel look at Abou, and he grin.
"Abou," he say, "Shake hans. Yu
talk qvite free
But, yiminy Christmas, you look gude
to me!"

—Norsk Nightingale.

POLITICAL FUDGE

Politics is a wonderful game—a game that every American has a right to play. A few years ago, it was a game that bore none too savory a reputation. In our state affairs, the political field was a haven for the grafter and in our county matters, politics was in many instances merely another form of Poor Relief. It was not the case of the Best Man wins but the Safe Man wins. Safety by all means—for what?

The slogan today is—The People can be Trusted. No. That idea isn't new, but it is getting to be believed, that's all. The dear people haven't so much at stake to be sure but what little they do have means much to them. Our American Public is pretty level headed even if it is slow, at times impulsive, and always forgetful. But the point is—the people can tell right from wrong—that's the reason they can be trusted. There is no particular difference either between the ruled and the ruling.—"Judith O'Grady and the colonel's lady," you know.

And North Dakota is going to get real service in the future. It's a big state, a wonderful state, a state that deserves the best—in politics.

There used to be a paper published in a little town in Wisconsin with this motto, "Cumberland first, the world afterwards." A selfish idea no doubt, nevertheless worth a passing thought. It's only when House cleaning begins at home that the world afterwards will be influenced. Clean politics to be sure, but also active, progressive politics in the interest of all the people first.

The average man is at the bat today; it is his inning and he is not going to fail.

Chas. C. Carlson, '15.

One day a little nine-year-old boy was busy studying his geography lesson. He looked up and said: "Mother, is Rhode Island a state or a city?" And before his mother could explain, her little girl of four years said: "Why, it's a chicken."

"The Crescent"

Dear Alumnus:

Last fall when A. C. Anderson of the class of 1912 unexpectedly struck our town after gathering the dollars from his farm at Van Hook, we naturally grew as reminiscent as two not old fellows properly can. Andy brought back many memories of A. C. days, and we chatted long into the night of old friends and the years we spent and the opportunities we misused while at the college. He told me of his work on the Soil Survey, how he had spent much time in forest reserves of Utah and Idaho helping Uncle Sam find out just how poor this vast domain is for settlement. It was his opinion that most of that country would not even raise "D Feed" wheat. Andy had not changed much in the years I had not seen him, and as we talked of the different people it occurred to me that it would be good to see some of them again. Luckily an opportunity soon came to make a short trip which brought us in touch with a number of the alumni, and I know that you will be interested in hearing of them.

Stopping in the northwestern part of the state we first met E. W. Hall, 1909, at Williston. You remember he used to be called Webb, but now since his son carries that name he has fallen back to being Evan again. Hall is county agent of Williams County and there is not a person in that whole territory who will not swear that he is the best county agent in the state. The county shows his good work, constructively built up thru a strong organizing ability and untiring energy.

Hall told us that E. W. Anderson, class 1914, was county agent across the line in Montana, and we just happened to meet him between trains. He is busy fording up and down his prairies with Plentywood as a base, seemingly most active running up against the Equity and spurious Farm Loan sharks.

While we were here, U. S. Ebner, 1915, came in. As there was no train due Hall surmised that Eb had probably walked in from the next town, a thing very common when train schedules or livery arrangements do not coincide with his plans. I know that you see Eb often and are acquainted with his work, but it was good to see the boy in action and note the enthusiasm he has. He sure spells death to the gopher pest, and because he "has the dope" has a large following among the farmers and has made many friends for himself and the institution. At that time Ebner seemed most concerned as to what effect the High Cost of Living would have on this "two can live cheaper than one" theory.

Just as we had said good bye to Hall and his family and were about to board a Great Northern train run on winter schedule (12 hours behind), a familiar figure approached and proved to be B. H. Critchfield, class of 1909. You remember Critch, he took upon himself matrimony as a graduation present some eight years ago. True to his old learnings, he is still interested in livestock, and now represents the Dakota Farmer as live stock field man and minimizes stock men's losses by insuring their valuable animals. It developed that he had come up scouting for a possible stock sale, and incidentally to talk things over with the "governor." Critch like Eb, is at home anywhere in North Dakota, and it is a draw between them which knows more worth while people in the state.

On the train we met C. A. Michels, also of the class of '09, who was returning from Archer, Montana, where he is interested in the mercantile business with his brother. Mike is in charge of the agricul-

tural work at the Spearfish Normal in South Dakota, and altho he has left teaching on occasions for other lines of work, the lure of the school ma'ams always brings him back. The work surely agrees with him, he has never looked better. In college Mike was the chief organizer of the original Bachelor's Club, and a recent announcement in the mail, coupling his name with that of a young lady, and simply bearing the word "betrothed", was a poser to us. In the light of past experiences both parties are apparently adopting a "we'll stick" platform.

After spending a short time renewing acquaintances around the A. C., we left for the east. You know the school is practically unchanged, but the acquaintances are few. It was hard to believe that the population could have shifted so completely in so short a time, an old timer feels the advent of new faces keenly, living and doing the things of which he is no longer a part. Clearly this was no place for a long stay.

In St. Paul we met P. J. Olson, 1910., who was just enjoying a free breath between semesters and taking in the Winter Carnival. Pete is still in the Agronomy Division of the Minnesota Agricultural College, and now bears the title of Associate Professor and has his name on the door. He is getting along splendidly in the work, yet appears to have a leaning towards the old farm, where most of us dream of going some day. Pete has lately become the father of a bouncing baby girl. He told us that Jack Dinwoodie, Vet. 1911, had been at Minnesota for some time, but had lately accepted a position as Extension Veterinarian in South Dakota, where he is making good. Almost forgot to mention that Jack is married.

Arriving in Washington we were met by an old friend, Ray S. Towle, of the class of 1911, still wearing that smile, and as genial and hearty as ever. Towle told us that he was "interned" for the winter in the Office of Dry Land Agriculture working up data from his summer's work at the Edgeley station, and incidentally absorbing considerable knowledge of the art of free discussion and making time fly a la government pattern. He told us of a number of A. C. men in various offices of the Department, most of whom we later met. The life of the men brought in from the field in winter seemed leisurely and carefree, but Towle explained that the purpose of the assembling was not so much to get a certain amount of work done, but to give them an opportunity for association, study, and in insight into the magnitude of the workings of the Federal Department of Agriculture. A winter spent in that way is certainly an opportunity and a privilege.

We next visited F. R. Babcock, 1908, in milling tests. Babcock is in charge of the cereal work at the Williston Sub-Station, and has the reputation of being one of the best field men in his office. Bab has developed the hardiest strain of winter wheat known, which in the future may become an important item for the state.

In the same office we ran across T. E. Stoa, 1915, and Ralph Smith, 1914. Ted, as you know, is stationed at the college in flax rotation work, also having supervision of flax rotations at several of the sub-stations, the object being to stimulate interest in growing the crop on old ground. He was very busy at the time compiling data, and seemingly worried about some-

thing. Smith told us later that Stoa had invariably exhibited that symptom when trying to work up existing or absent cropping data from the sub-station superintendents. Smith who is regularly stationed at Dickinson in cereal work, was also very busy, being on a short stay and hurrying to get his report ready before the call of spring would bring him home.

It was our privilege to attend an Agronomy meeting, and hearing familiar voices during the discussion which followed, we noted that the speakers were the Clark boys, Charles H. who graduated in 1908, and Allen of the class of 1910. Charlie is in charge of flax culture for the Department, and altho he has not yet carried out his scheme of establishing flax as a major crop from the Mexican border to Alaska, is making headway. He is author of several flax bulletins and has done notable work in the few years he has been in this connection. Apparently one of his chief duties in the winter is to keep the stenographic force of the office in humor. Allen is interested in wheats, being second in charge of Western wheats, and is a tireless worker. They both make their home in Washington.

Returning to the Dry Land Office with Towle, we met A. J. Ogaard, 1913, who had come in later in the day, which, according to an unwritten law, is a superintendent's privilege. Art has been busy at the Hettinger Sub-Station creating order out of chaos and nursing a fine dairy herd. He told us that he had just recently arrived from his snow bound milk route, and that he could not spend much time in conversation as he was obliged to get his stuff in shape quickly and return to the wilds. He seemed to be worried lest Murray Stebbins, 1916, whom he had left on the station with two or three men, break a milk record or connect the perfectly good water system with the gentle Hettinger breezes. We learned later that the average daily output in that Office had slumped due to general dullness and that the interesting discussions once notorious in those rooms, had vanished since Art's arrival.

While visiting around in this office we learned that John C. Thyssell, class of 1908, was one of the oldest men connected with it, and had just returned to Dickinson where he is now in charge of the station. No reason could be given for John's leaving Washington so early, but it was thought that since the new legislature was convening at the time, he had returned to watch over his political interests in the state. You probably remember the custom of publishing the Junior Annual at the A. C., and the success of the first venture in that line by his class.

In this office we heard of another North Dakota fellow, H. C. McKinstry, 1910, at one time connected with Dry Land Agriculture, but who, after successfully wooing a Washington belle, severed his connection and departed with her to Elk, Wyoming, where they are ranching. The boys occasionally hear from Harold, and while things are a bit woolly seventy-five miles from a railroad, both he and his wife like it there and feel that they have come into their own.

There is another old timer in the Department, whom unfortunately we did not meet this year, Rex E. Willard, 1908. Rex is with the Office of Farm Management, and has worked mostly in the South, and has practically completed a large piece of work at

Brownsville, Texas. The fellows report him married and settled down, but not greatly changed from the Rex of former years.

Just before leaving, we one day met J. Budd Wentz, 1913, and Mrs. Wentz. You know, Budd spent a couple of years at Cornell in post-graduate work after leaving Western Irrigation in the Department, and now is Assistant Professor at the Maryland Agricultural College, just a few minutes' ride out of Washington. Budd has had considerable of good training, and as the Maryland institution has adopted a program of progress recently, his prospects are very good indeed.

Before we left we received a belated letter from Earle B. Hunt, 1911, and were surely agreeably surprised for we had not heard a thing about Hunt in years. He wrote that he and Mrs. Hunt, (Eugenia Ruff, 1913), were farming at Winnifred, Montana, and liked it immensely, particularly as they were receiving great help from their little daughter. We were glad to hear that they are so enthusiastic about farming, because in school days we never dreamed that Earle would take interest in the soil.

After witnessing the Inauguration Ceremonies, and bidding the North Dakota fellows good bye, we returned home feeling that we had enjoyed a real treat in meeting or hearing directly of so many A. C. people. Might add that in taking leave of Towle we promised to advise him when the snow left and the robins arrived at home, for he has suffered severe disappointment more than once by arriving here in the spring as reconed from the calendar, only to needlessly shiver and freeze waiting for the thawout.

This is a longer letter than first intended, dear friend, but as said in the beginning, is forced on you under the assumption that you too are interested in hearing about the doings of those who have left the college to be initiated into the world. By the way, did you notice that exactly three fourths of the number named are married-

Yours for a stronger and larger Alumni,

An Alumnus.

AGGIE BASEBALL SCHEDULE COMPLETED

Thirteen Games to be Played—First Comes April 25.

The North Dakota Agricultural College baseball team will open its playing season on April 25 with a game with Concordia college at Moorhead, according to the schedule announced yesterday by Coach Davis. The team will play 13 games, closing on June 6 with a game with the faculty.

The schedule follows:

- April 25—Concordia College at Moorhead.
- May 2 Concordia College at Fargo.
- May 4—Wahpeton Science School at Fargo.
- May 9—Moorhead Normal at Moorhead.
- May 12—Fargo College at Fargo College.
- May 14—Jamestown College at Fargo.
- May 19—University of North Dakota
- May 22—Jamestown College at Jamestown.
- May 26—University of North Dakota at Fargo.
- May 30 Moorhead Normal at Fargo.
- June 2—Wahpeton Science School at Wahpeton.
- June 5—Fargo College at Agricultural College.
- June 6—Annual game—Varsity vs. Faculty at Agricultural College.

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COLLEGE AND STATE

The initial issue of the periodical "College and State" has made its appearance. Its purpose is to bind the college closer to the State and the alumni closer to the college. This publication is of special value to the alumni as an instrument which will keep them in touch with college life. It answers a long felt need.

Remember alumni it is partially your magazine. Its effectiveness and interest depends on your individual cooperation with the editors.

Every alumnus should realize that this responsibility to the college begins when he leaves it. Four years of privileges bring with them duties which cannot shirk. We can begin to pay our obligations to A. C. by urging our young friends to attend it.

LET'S ALL PULL TOGETHER

One of the purposes of fraternities and sororities is the promotion of a strong and healthy college patriotism among undergraduates. Why not use your organization to aid the Alumni Association? By planning your reunions for commencement week you add strength to the commencement attendance. The graduates would have an opportunity to meet the undergraduates and renew acquaintances. Thus creating stronger fraternal bonds and a wider interest in the affairs of the school. Let everyone cooperate to make our commencement the greatest feature of the year for undergraduates as well as alumni.

OPEN FORUM

An Open Forum should be a feature of the student body life of the institution. Fargo has many visitors during the year who are of national note. Many of its citizens are well informed on the live issues of the day. It would be a great benefit to the students to come in direct contact with such people thru the medium of the Open Forum held at regular intervals on our campus. The organization known as the Round Table finds its informal meetings of large benefit to its members.

Why not extend these ideas to the student body?

Which of our many organizations are going to take the lead in promoting this end of our social welfare?

We believe that chorus singing under the auspices of the Music Department would be much preferred to Assembly Singing. It would leave a better impression with the visitors who attend our chapel exercises.

A word of appreciation is due to those alumni who so readily cooperated with the editor in contributing to and compiling the present issue of the Spectrum. It is this helpful attitude which creates that kindly feeling, so essential to the success of any endeavor. It shows that our alumni do not lack in loyalty but in organization. We hope to see this spirit grow with each succeeding publication.

The Law School at the University has just issued its annual news number. The "Harpoon" was certainly thrown with a vengeance. Evidently the Law School believes in an unmuzzled press. We wonder how the reading public of the United States will greet this publication. However its circulation may be more restricted than that of the Spectrum, which was attributed 100,000,000 readers last spring.

We want communications from alumni for each issue of the Spectrum if we can have them. Write something this week—tonight. Don't delay—your enthusiasm will grow cold. Remember N. D. A. C. Alumni Association will grow strong only as you take an interest in its field of work.

Harvard University entered into an agreement with Massachusetts Institute of Technology whereby it was to transfer a large portion of its field of instruction in the engineering sciences to the latter institution. It is evident that the University trustees were anxious to cooperate with Mass. Tech. and not encroach on the field which properly belongs to a technical institution. The Harvard alumnus on the Board of Regents for North Dakota may not have considered the spirit of his Alma Mater when he endorsed the recommendations of the Educational Survey committee which has been so ready to remove the School of Engineering and allied sciences from the Agricultural College to the University. The organic laws of North Dakota which created

the Agricultural College and University intended that the Agricultural College should become a school of the applied sciences and the University a school of liberal arts. Why not follow that intention? It has Harvard precedent to support it.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Is the alumni association of the North Dakota Agricultural College the factor in the life of the institution that it ought to be? This is a question every alumnus can well afford to ask himself, and one he can, and should, stop to ponder over. If the association is not this factor, why isn't it?

To the officers of the association, responsible for the duties of the organization, and to the individual still young in the life beyond his alma mater, the question can hardly be answered in the affirmative.

The association has for its object and purpose a closer union of the men and women, who are graduates of this institution, and that thru organization and circulation of efforts we shall become the large factor in making our college a greater radiating center for those influences and ideals for which it was founded.

To be this factor we need organization, but more than that we need cooperation, a keener interest in one another, and our institution. The past few years have seen forward and rapid strides in this association development. The reorganization of our association, effected in 1916, has resulted in a greater efficiency, and made possible more immediate and concerted action. The plan of securing an issue a year of the Weekly Spectrum, and devoting this especially to the alumni, is a marked forward step. The association should now plan so that in the near future we can have a publication all our own—perhaps one to be issued quarterly. No organization can be effective without some sort of medium thru which its members can be in close touch with one another. Thru such a publication the young alumnus can gain some results of the life experiences of an older graduate, and in return, perhaps, impart anew the enthusiasm; the life, and the spirit of our alma mater.

In some of the communities of our State, where several alumni reside, we should encourage the organization of local associations where our graduates can get together in a social and fraternal way. Many institutions have what they designate as home coming day—a day set aside for the reception of alumni and ex-students. Why should not this be possible in our own institution? There are special times thruout the college year when a large number of our alumni are back for a brief visit. The University football game in the fall always attracts a large number, and some organized plan whereby the alumni can meet together in the evening for a brief visit and a social time, would be well received: Since the University game occurs at Fargo only on alternate years, a day, perhaps, when our team plays Fargo college, or St. Thomas, would be appropriate for the other year.

I have merely recited here a few suggestions whereby we might develop the working policy of our association. It should not be construed, however, as detracting from the importance of our annual reunion at commencement time, but rather as a method of stimulating interest and creating a desire to return more often.

The objects and ideals of our association are worthy of the support of every alumnus. Thru personal solicitation we should encourage young men and young women to enter the college in preparing for their life's work. Our institution will become better and stronger for this, and as its graduates, our influence and standing would be further recognized. To some this may seem a selfish motive, but it is not. We believe in our institution and its ideals of service. Our state and our nation need men and women willing to dedicate their lives in the service to others, willing to give their might and influence in order to make this world a better place to live. To this end let us strive, not for ourselves, nor our alma mater alone, but to the state and the nation we are a part. It is our duty. It is our privilege.

Theodore E. Stoa, '15.

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**A. AND T. H. S. SENIORS
TO PRESENT PLAY**

"What Happened to Jones?" Will be Given Next Saturday in the Little Country Theatre.

The senior class of the Agricultural and Manual Training High School has chosen for its play a rollicking farce, "What Happened to Jones?" During the two hours and a half of the play things happen to Jones with bewildering rapidity. A fussy old professor of anatomy is lured to a prize fight by his prospective son in law. They return home pursued by the police who raid the fight. With the truant's son Jones who also wishes to shake the police. Jones sells hymn books when he can and playing cards when he cannot. He is game for anything. To avoid the police and save the professor from embarrassing explanations to the family, Jones puts on the clothes of the bishop who is expected next day from India to claim his bride. Jones succeeds in his masquerade but has many close shaves when the real bishop arrives. Jones by some neat headwork makes the ladies believe that the bishop is a lunatic who has recently escaped from the nearby asylum. This with Jones' own troubles keeps the audience in an uproar until affairs are finally straightened out in a satisfactory manner.

The play is by George Broadhurst who also adapted "Rich Man, Poor Man", to the stage. "What Happened to Jones?" was presented once before in the Little Country Theatre by a group of players from the Moorhead Normal. The play has also been given by a former stock company at the Grand.

The play will be presented once only by the seniors because of the high royalty charged. This performance will occur Saturday evening, April 7, in the Little Country Theatre at eight o'clock. The cast is rehearsing with fine energy under the direction of the Public Speaking Department.

- The members of the cast are:
- Jones Jake Van Es
 - Ebenezer Goodly Leland Smith
 - Richard Heatherly
 - Alexander McKenzie
 - Bishop Peter De Boer
 - Holder Emil Sandquist
 - Bigbee Oscar Berg
 - Fuller James Horn
 - Mrs. Goodly Amy Euren
 - Cissy Esther Heidner
 - Marjory Alice Flamer
 - Minerva Olive Walter
 - Alvina Dorothy Nevraman

"My Ideal Man"

(Not less than fifty words)

"I haven't the time or blue books to give my ideal man justice during this exam. Even though he flunked in two snap courses and is known as the "campus bonehead," I believe that he has the most brilliant mind in college.

"My ideal man has two teeth gone in front, never shines his shoes, or combs his hair, never has his clothes pressed and never tips his hat unless I tell him to, but I don't see these things. I think he is an Appollo, Clothes Model and Don Quixote all in one.

"My friends say that my ideal man is too short and fat, that he is pigeon toed, and six inches shorter than I am and that we look like a joke on the campus together, but I know that they are envious of me. Even if he is younger than I, height and age don't make much difference.

"My ideal man has no faults that I can see.

"He is the man I LOVE."

The End.

P. S. Ten on that one, did you say professor?

—O. A. C. Barometer.

**THE YOUNG WOMEN'S
CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION**

AS IT WAS AND NOW IS

Yesterday we had no student secretary and today we have. This fact is of special significance in considering the strength of the Association then and now. We have been able to work in a much larger way under her direction and to place our Association on a good foundation ethically and financially.

The Advisory board has been reorganized and a constitution adopted.

This board is composed of seven members, faculty women, and wives of faculty men.

The purpose of this board is to relate the Association to the college through helping the Association leaders to think in terms of the whole college community and relates their own work to all religious work carried on by the college authorities. This board has met with the three officers of the Association eight times with an average attendance of nine.

The active interest and hearty co-operation on the part of the advisory board has constituted a big inspiration to the girls for their best work this year.

Up until this year there has never been anyone directly in charge of our employment work which is quite an important branch of our Association activities, there being many girls who enter school who can do so only by working for their room and board. Their work this year has been under the direct supervision of Miss Neth and has been carried on more effectively and has been more far-reaching in its results than in previous years.

It has been very gratifying to note the increased attendance at Sunday School and church, this year as compared with last year when only a very small percent of the girls from Ceres Haall attended either. Our Bible Study work has been made more interesting from the fact that in three of the churches there has been organized a class solely for college girls. Each of these classes is studying the Social Principles of Jesus, by Walter Rauschenbusch.

In addition to the weekly devotional meetings which have been well attended and very interesting we have had sacred concerts in the college armory on Thanksgiving and Easter and a special Christmas program in the Little Country theatre. Everywhere there is apparent, on the campus and in Ceres Hall, a marked friendliness and good feeling among all the girls; this applies particularly to those who, before this year were not interested in the Young Women's Christian Association.

Last fall when school began there was not enough money in the treasury to pay our few bills brought over from June. Next fall we can begin school with the feeling that our budget for the year is practically all pledged as a result of our recent financial campaign and that we may devote our attention to constructive plans for the year.

And now we will present a few statistics by which you may make your own comparison.

Number of girls in school	183	150
Girls belonging to Y. W. C. A.....	74	110
Average attendance at weekly meetings	25	40
Girls placed to work for room and board...	15	35
Finance budget	\$225	\$954
	Last year	This year

**CONTEST OPEN TO
A. C. STUDENTS**

**PLANS ASKED FOR STAGING
HOME PRODUCTS SHOW.**

Those in charge of the Annual Home Products Show, which is held in Fargo each year, are already making plans for the exhibition to be given next winter. They have been somewhat handicapped in not having a regular system of erecting the booths for the show. In order to overcome this they have announced a contest which is open to the students of the A. C., among others. The rules of the contest are as follows:

- (1) The plans must contain a floor plan drawn on the scale of 1/4 inch to 1 foot.
- (2) Must show a complete elevation of the front and one side of the booth.
- (3) There must be a colored drawing of one booth, showing the color scheme and construction of the decoration.
- (4) There must be complete specifications as to materials.

The plans are to allow for forty booths each containing 50 to 60 square feet. Preference will be given for sectional construction so that the booth may be taken down after the show and put away for use again.

The details of the contest may be learned by seeing Dean Keene, in whose charge the contest will be in so far as it affects A. C. students.

"Now," said the bridegroom to the bride, when they returned from their honeymoon trip, "let us have a clear understanding before we settle down to married life. Are you the president of the vice-president of the society?"

"I want to be neither president nor vice-president," she answered. "I will be content with a subordinate position."

"What position is that, my dear?" "Treasurer."

HELP FOR THE NEWSPAPER MEN

In reading over our exchanges the past two weeks we have noticed evidence of what seems to be a movement in the right direction among the staffs of some of the college papers in our neighboring states. The editors and the staffs of the school papers have in many instances had little or no previous experience in getting out a paper. True, some of them have done a little on their high school papers, but as a rule these are issued only once a month or less often. So when they are confronted with the problem of putting out a weekly or semi-weekly paper they are working under difficulties for the first few issues.

The first school paper to mention this subject was the Scarlet and the Black, published by Grinnell. They suggested an annual meeting of the editors and managers of the various papers in which difficulties confronting the staffs could be discussed and probably remedied.

The last issue of the Industrial Collegian (S. D. State.) contains a comment on a similar suggestion which has come from another paper of South Dakota. Thus we are led to believe that the movement is spreading.

During the past five months we have been conscious of some difficulties that the new editor and staff must face and so we are prone to view with pleasure the progress of such a movement as has been noted. With the coming of the close of the year and the time for the choosing of the leaders of the paper next year, we wonder if it would not be a good move to get together on this matter and see if it wouldn't be possible to eliminate some of the diffi-

culties which have hindered the staffs of the past.

We believe a start could be made and in a short time it would become an established feature of the college newspaper work.

POLITENESS

"Politeness is to do and to say the kindest things in the kindest way" is a maxim many of us are familiar with. But, in spite of the fact that every one of us has heard the saying, perhaps from the time we were able to understand the English language, a few hints on politeness now and then harms none of us.

With students there seems to be a tendency to become so wrapped up in their own affairs that they forget that there is anyone else on the campus. Allow an interested spectator to offer a few little reminders.

Why do so many of us forget to greet our fellow students as we happen to meet them each morning? Time after time I have noticed the boys and girls to stamp along, heads down, noticing no one, and with the attitude that the whole world meant nothing to them. Would it do any harm to straighten up and notice those who pass by? Wouldn't it be cheerier to greet passers by with a friendly smile? Why be so particular as to whether you have formally met them or not? Are we not all here for the same great purpose? Show your bright side to your neighbor, and see if it does not do you worlds of good. Who knows but that it will encourage them.

It was only the other day, that as I was leaving the campus to go down town, I noticed the following incident that illustrates my point. The car was coming and every one seemed anxious to lose no time in getting to the corner and to the car. Boys pushed their way through the crowd and boarded the car without considering that there might be ladies present. Would the street car have left any sooner if the boys got on first then if they had stood back and waited for the ladies, and wouldn't the boys have felt a little better if they had played the part of gentlemen and waited?

Having been an observer for some time I have had opportunities to observe some conditions in the classrooms. Girls, this is for you! Don't come into the room with your big hats on. Only recently I noticed a boy stretching his neck first one way and then the other in his efforts to get the benefit of an illustrated lecture with which a large hat was interfering. The entire hour passed this way and by the time of the dismissal he was full of impatience and disgust. The hour had not only been wasted but it had proved to be very trying and filled with discomfort.

And who was to blame? the girl who had not been thoughtful enough to remove her hat.

Has anyone ever thought what would happen if, instead of running away from his partner as soon as the dance was finished, a boy should devote the interval to conversation with his partner?

If one notices a friend loaded down with books or what not wouldn't it be friendly to offer his assistance?

Would it be less polite to say "How do you do" or "How are you this morning" than to dash by with a short "Hello" when meeting a professor?

Take care of your manners, and your reputation will take care of itself.

Man.

A clergyman not long ago received the following notice regarding a marriage that was to take place at the parish house: "This is to give notice that I & Mis Menirva Arabella Brearly is coming to your church on Saturday afternoon next to undergo the operation of matrimony at your hands. Please be prompt as the cab is hired by the hour."

WITH THE ALUMNI

Agnes E. Hutchison, '16, writes that she is not teaching, but is enroute to Santa Barbara, California, where she will make her home.

Max Waldron, '14, another citrus fruit grower, located at Lake Alfred, Florida. Max has made two visits to his home in Fargo since graduation.

Hugh J. Hughes, '09, was a visitor at the college during the fall term. Mr. Hughes, who is editor of the Farm, Stock & Home of Minneapolis was very favorably impressed with the college and its work and was in constant demand for talks.

J. Allen Clark, '10, is with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, specializing in Western wheat Investigations. Clark is the author of several lengthy papers and bulletins, which have been published by the government recently.

Myrtle Waechter, '16, has been teaching in the Tower City high school since graduation and finds time now and then to drop in on her old friends at school for a visit.

W. R. Stapleton, '13, has only been seen around the campus once or twice since graduation. He has made an enviable reputation for himself at Akeley, Minn., so much so, in fact, that their School Board has made repeated attempts at securing some new teachers as good as "Bill", who received their training at the A. C.

Leila M. Nelson, '16, has been looking after the domestic science work at the New London, Minnesota High School since finishing her work at the A. C.

Frank H. Peters, '13, also in the insurance game, is division manager of the National Casualty Company at Minot, N. D., specializing in accident policies.

Victor H. Parker is manager of the Technical Department of the Buick Motor Co., Flint, Michigan.

D. H. Moore, Electrical Engineer in the construction department of the city of Pittsfield, Mass.

Clarence Plath, farming at Davenport, N. D.

W. O. Whitcomb, Assistant Professor of Agronomy, Montana State college, Bozeman, Mont.

Thos. J. Lough, 1910, is County surveyor of Morton County, N. D. and Paul Funderhide, 1910 is County Engineer of Towner County, N. D.

Lars A. Welo, '11, M. S. University, Ill. 1915 is now fellow in physics laboratory, University of California.

Ruby L. Gibbens, '11 is teaching in the State Normal School, Superior, Wisconsin.

A. B. Haskins, '12 received his degree in Veterinary Medicine from Iowa State College, 1916. Mr Haskins is practicing in Davenport, Iowa.

Reginald Dynes, '11 spent the past week in Fargo, enroute to Montana where he is employed with the Land Department of the N. P. railway.

John B. Wentz, '13, received his M. S. from Cornell University 1916 and is now associate professor of farm crops, Maryland State College.

Arthur Ogaard '13 spent a day in Fargo last week enroute to Hettinger. Arthur has been in Washington part of the winter and attended the inauguration ceremonies. We are pleased to state that he agrees with the president on his present foreign policy.

BORDER EXPERIENCES

It may be interesting, and also a source of gratification to the alumni of the A. C. to know that when President Wilson called for men on June 18 last, over 40 students of our institution answered.

The North Dakota regiment mobilized 1200 strong at Fort Lincoln, Bismarck on June 25.

A month was spent training, equipping, mobilizing, inoculating and weeding out those not fit for duty.

While we were kept busy drilling from daylight to dark, the more restless spirits hankered for excitement and speculation was rife as to whether we would ever reach the border.

But finally on July 22nd we entrained and after a rapid four day journey landed in Mercedes, Texas on the afternoon of July 26.

We found a veritable sea of mud and a heavy downpour of rain in progress.

We had no means of transportation as up to date we had no mules, so we were forced to wait for a detachment of motor trucks which promptly proceeded to get stuck in the mud.

It was nearly dark when we finally got loaded and started for camp half a mile away on the outskirts of town.

The camp site chosen for us turned out to be an ex-city dump with mural decorations of garbage and tin cans.

We pitched camp in the mud and proceeded to make the best of it altho most of us spent a restless night wondering whether a rattlesnake or tarantula would present us with a free ticket to the next world by inconsiderately sinking its fangs into us.

The next few days were damp and muddy but we got our camp made and tried to settle down.

It rained at least once a day and sometimes three time for the next two months.

The natives would stop us as we ploughed thru the mud and inform us that it had not rained for 14 months until we came, which was little consolation to us as it looked as tho it had set in to rain for 14 months to catch up.

On August 18 we were introduced to a real hurricane, which at one time reached a velocity of 90 miles per hour. Several of our tents were down, many more were torn to shreds by the force of the gale which left us in about 2 inches of water. Altogether it damaged our camp to the extent of about \$3,000.

After the heavens had finally drained themselves we lived in comfort and fine weather for many months, until things became so dry that we were bothered with dust storms.

So much for the weather, now for our own routine.

Up at 5 a. m., 15 minutes calisthenics and then breakfast at 6 a. m. and on the march or drilling from 6:30 to 10:30 Then and hour school. Mess at noon and a rest of two hours during the hottest part of the day. At 3:30 one hour's drift. Mess at 5 p. m. and a parade to finish the day.

Night comes very quickly as it gets dark suddenly when the sun goes down. After such a day's work we were usually ready to sleep and the bugs were so thick that one could not use a light so we usually retired quite early.

I believe in more ways than one the culmination of our training was the most interesting event. I refer to the big 12 day manouver during which time we covered (on foot) over 200 miles, some days better than 20 miles a day, participating in several sham battle, patrol duty and finally parading with 30,000 troops before General James Parker on the old battle field of Resaca de la Palma 3 miles from Brownsville.

During this time we had an opportunity of seeing every arm of the service in action and received some valuable information.

But what gave us the most satisfaction was that every man finished in fine shape and hard as nails.

A few of the college men who were with the First North Dakota are: Curran Rourke, with the Medical Corps. "Hi" Mayer and Wallace Patterson in the canteen, Sgt. Dwire in the Commissary, Sgt. John Nolet with Co. H. of Jamestown, Corporal Nemzek, Musician Gram, Lieut. Hill and myself with "B" of Fargo. There are many others but it would take too long to enumerate them.

The Minnesotas were three miles from us and we received visits from Ross Jensen of football fame, Shorty Caulkins and Dan Brown the "gold dust" twins from Duluth, Lieut. Matter a former Vet. student and Taylor who is now back at the A. C.

At the border in a common cause old enemies were forgotten and I was proud to be able to manage a football team coached by Lieut. Ulsaker of Wahpeton Science and captained by Alex. Nemzek of the A. C. in which the men of the University, Fargo College, Science School and A. C. worked together with a will and gave North Dakota a team that could play with any of them only losing one game out of seven by a score of 6 to 0.

We were fortunate in our location near the town of Mercedes in the Rio Grande Valley which is being improved and projected by a big irrigation company, and therefore a little more fertile and more populated than the country to the west of us.

I have frequently been asked since I came back if we ever saw any bandits and I may truthfully say that we did for the merchants of Mercedes with two exceptions were the best holdup men I ever saw, as an example of the cold spell or "norther" stoves that the day before sold at \$1.50 and \$2.00 went up to \$5 and \$6.00 and staple articles like razor blades cost 10 and 15 cents more—probably freight.

There are so many things of interest that I could write a book on the subject but I will not bore you any longer.

I may say in closing that should the present international situation assume serious proportions that the A. C. will have many loyal sons to uphold her honor and traditions and our glorious State will have a body of men of which she can justly be proud.

R. COLLEY, '15.

Lieut. 1st N. D. N. G. Inf

TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR DEPARTED ALUMNI

The Unknown Land

There is a mystic borderland that lies
Just past the limits of our work-day world,

And it is peopled with the friends we met

And loved a year, a month, a week, a day,

And parted from with aching hearts; yet knew

That through the distance we must lose the hold

Of hand with hand, and only clasp the threads

Of memory. But still so close we feel this land,

So sure we are that these same hearts are true,

That, when in waking dreams there comes a call

That sets the threads of memory aglow,

We know that just by reaching out the hand

In written words of love, or book, or flower,

The waiting hand will clasp our own once more

Across the silence, in the same old way.

(Author unknown to us.)

Reginald Colley, '15, after spending the greater part of the year on the Mexican boarder has returned to resume his position with the State as Pure Food Inspector.

ATHLETICS AND THE ALUMNI

The athletic department at the college has improved considerably the past few years, due to the tireless efforts of our present coach, Paul J. Davis. Mr. Davis came to us two years ago from Oklahoma, where he made an enviable reputation for himself by building up their department. Mr. Davis is the man who can do it, provided he is given the right kind of support by the student body and alumni. To build up an efficient football team we need men, and lots of them, from which to choose the team that shall represent our school on the gridiron. The student body has shown the right kind of spirit by coming out and doing what they could on the squad, but the best we have been able to do in the past is to get eleven men out of 40 or 50 who have gone out that know enuf about football to make the first team. This is not enuf. To have a good team we must have at least 22 men who have had enuf football experience in high school to make our college team as soon as they get here. That means at least two good men fighting for each position. In that way all men will have to work and work hard and also train to make their place on the college eleven. Such a condition has not existed in the past and consequently the men who were any good were too sure of their positions and that they did not have to train or work. But next year we are going to remedy this. How are we going to do it?

First, we want every alumnus to start looking around for men in the high schools and those who are out of school that have had football experience, or look like they would make good men, with the proper coaching. When you have any men of that description, find out how good they are or were in their studies while in school, because our requirements have been made more stringent and it takes a good man to make the team and also keep up with his studies, who are seeking an education, bearing in mind that we want men not transient athletes. If the man fulfills the requirements get him interested in the school and let the Registrar, President of the Alumni Association or Coach know about him and we will let him know about the courses, etc. Get the man to write in himself if possible.

It might be well to keep in mind that no matter how good a coach is he cannot make football stars out of green men. It takes two or three years to develop a good football player. That is why we want to get the men with previous experience first, to save training him for those years. Those alumni living at or near the larger high schools can surely find some good man in their town. The coach has fixed up an exceptionally fine schedule for next fall and we have at present the nucleus of a winning team. Will you be one of the alumni to send a good man down next year? Let us all get busy now. Don't delay any longer.

A. M. Christensen, '16.

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Freshie.

(With Due Apologies)

Twinkle, twinkle, little freshie,
How we wonder what you see,
Down below us in the crowd;
Like a pebble on the sod.

When you've conquered all you can,
And have proven yourself a man,
Then you may enter in with us,
And twinkle if you must.

But if you stay in the lime-light,
You will never become bright,
So we invite you to come higher;
And twinkle, twinkle, if you desire.

Now that you are with us once,
You, a former freshie dunce,
Never, never shut your eyes;
Because your spark we can espy.

Harold Pederson

A. & M. T. H. S. '18.

WITH THE ALUMNI

PHARMACY

Leroy Cook, '11, prescription clerk somewhere in Oregon.

Roy G. Cook, '05, Proprietor of Fout & Porterfield Drug, (Married). Fargo, N. D.

Alfred E. Foss, '09, Hatton, N. D.

Palmer Foss, '09, Proprietor of the Page Drug, Page, N. D.

Arthur Fossum, '14, Grainte Falls, Minn.

Albina Foster, '15, Prescription clerk at Finney's Drug store, Bismarck, N. D.

Fred Hull, '06, Proprietor of Killdeer Drug Co., Killdeer, N. D.

Ross Fowler, '04, Proprietor of Hankinson Drug Store, Hankinson, N. D.

A. M. Hommes, '13, Prescription clerk at Finney's Drug Store, Bismarck, N. D.

Lincoln Houston, '14, Prescription clerk at Wyndmere Drug, Wyndmere, N. D.

Clarence B. Hay, '12, Prescription clerk at Fargo Drug Co., Fargo, N. D.

M. S. Henderson, '13, Student of dentistry, at Chicago College of Dentistry, Chicago, Ill.

Orlando Boucher, '15, Student of Dentistry, Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill. (Married).

Seward C. Hael, '12, (Married) Proprietor Milnor Drug, Milnor, N. D.

Earle B. Hunt, B. S. '11, Teaching Winefred, Mont.

R. H. Isook, '13, Proprietor of The Eureka Drug Store, Eureka, S. D.

Mattys Jongeward, B. S. '13, Assistant Chemist, N. D. A. C. (married).

Walter Knoop, '10, Proprietor McClusky Drug, McClusky, N. D.

Ephraim Krantz, '12, Manager of Cooperstown Drug Co., Coopertown, N. D.

M. H. Krantz, '14, Proprietor of Dasey Drug Store, Dasey, N. D. (married)

Benjamin Lenhart, '06, Proprietor of Lenhart Drug Co., Bismarck, N. D.

David Lofthouse, '05, Prescription clerk at Fout & Porterfield Drugs, Fargo, N. D.

D. R. McDonald, '10, Proprietor of Edmore Drug Store, Edmore, N. D.

F. L. Martineau, '11, Prescription clerk, Creaser Drug Co., Williston, N. D.

Chester Mills, '11, Prescription clerk at Humphrey's Pharmacy, Moorhead, Minn.

Albert Morin, '10, Proprietor of Morin and Hillfoch Drug Co. at Wallhalla, N. D.

Blanche Moyer, B. S. '12, now Mrs. R. M. Dolve, Fargo, N. D.

Benjamin F. Otten, B. S., '06, M. D. from Rush Medical College, 1915, Chicago, Ill.

Henry Reddy, B. S. '11, Chemist for John Lucas Paint Co., Gibbsboro, New Jersey.

G. E. Shunk, '15, Prescription clerk at Fout & Porterfield Drug, Fargo, N. D.

S. D. Simonds, '09, Prescription clerk, Minneapolis, Minn.

Leigh Smith, '15, Prescription clerk at Green Drug Store, Dickinson, N. D.

Peter De Boer, '15, Student at N. D. A. C.

E. C. Whitney, '15, Proprietor of The Whiting Pharmacy, (Married) Wahpeon, N. D.

Leonard Wirtenberger, B. S., '12, Prescription clerk at Geo. Wirtenberger Drug Store, Lidgerwood, N. D.

E. C. Zimmerman, '14, Prescription clerk, Talbot Pharmacy, Casselton, N. D.

Cyril Mergens, '16, Prescription clerk in his father's pharmacy, Fairmount, N. D.

T. O. Benson, '16, Manager Petersberg Drug Store, Petersberg, N. D.

Tulla Holmes, '16, Prescription clerk in her father's pharmacy, Havana, N. D.

W. A. Roehm, '16, Manager of Ashley Drug Co., Ashley, N. D.

Fred Maser, '16, Prescription clerk,

The Wallace Drug Store, Crookston, Minn. (Married.)

Sam Crawford, '16, Montana. There are others whose addresses and information cannot be obtained. It is interesting to know that with exception of seven graduates, all the remaining are registered and practicing in this state.

Fifteen are proprietors of drug stores, and have homes of their own. Two are studying dentistry. One is teaching. Another is a physician and two are chemists.

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

A Year of Splendid Work.

The Young Men's Christian Association is one of the largest organizations of the college. The program of the local Association is similar to that of the Association among the students the world over and whatever is done by the Association locally is naturally felt over this entire field.

During the existence of the Young Men's Christian Association at the Agricultural College, it has had a steady and healthy development. The early years were largely devoted to the establishment and growth of the Association idea. We are greatly indebted to our early alumni for their interest in the establishment of this movement in the student life of our Alma Mater.

The last few years has seen the Association grow from a small organization of little meaning to one of greatest importance and value to the students of the college. During the four years just past the Association has employed a full time General Secretary, Mr. Sweetman. He came here direct from the University of Wisconsin full of new ideas and great visions for the future development and usefulness of the Young Men's Christian Association of our own college. Under his efficient leadership and devoted guidance the Association launched out into new activities as well as promoting and broadening the old to greater importance. He always held the welfare of the Association uppermost in his work and nothing was left undone that tended to increase the usefulness of the Association to the men of the college. We are mighty sorry for the loss of Mr. Sweetman to the work of the Y. M. C. A. but we are glad for the opportunities that are before him as the new advisory Secretary of the Association of the Colleges and Universities of Wisconsin, North and South Dakota.

Something of the work of the Young Men's Christian Association can be learned by glancing at its activities for the past year. The present generation of students are well acquainted with the lines of work carried on but the alumni are less familiar with this. Social and religious activities are of fundamental importance.

With the beginning of every school year friendly surroundings have been provided for the new students as they came to college for the first time. Assistance is given in every way possible to help these men become acquainted with college life and to establish themselves in the various activities of the college. Throughout the school year wholesome recreation has been maintained for all men students.

The N. D. A. C. hand book brim full of information to all students, and guide to new students is one of the annual publications of the Association which is very valuable and popular. It is supplemented by two student directories every year, one including all the students, faculty and employees at the Agricultural College, and members of the Experiment Station Staff located at Fargo.

Through the employment bureau with which the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. cooperates, a great amount of employment has been secured for

men who are partly or wholly dependent on work during their leisure hours. This employment, in dollars and cents amounted to over \$4,000 during a recent year.

A work of highest importance and special emphasis is that which fosters and develops the religious inclinations of men. In order to do this the Association in cooperation with the various churches of the city have organized several Bible Study classes. These have been in charge of very able leaders and large numbers of our men have attended them. Men of religious fame and scholars of note have been secured to speak to the men of the college upon questions of vital significance.

Special emphasis has been placed upon work for the short course men during the past year. George W. Gustafson of the class of 1914 and president of the Association during his senior year was secured to take charge of this work. A short course club was organized which met every week for a series of religious meetings. Several social events helped dispell some of the lonely hours and the short course men were united in their common relationships.

The Young Men's Christian Association rejoices in the promise of a new building in the near future. Very few movements have met with the success than has the movement for this new building. As the result of strenuous efforts in view of the crying need for a student center and more adequate room for the work of the Association the student body almost to the last man has pledged its moral and financial support to this project. And not only the students but the alumni, faculty, and friends of the A. C. and the Y. M. C. A. have responded correspondingly as well and to cap the unusual success a conditional gift of \$25,000 has been granted by a New York friend. Though the entire fund necessary to complete the building has not been raised it can safely be said that the building is assured. The plans are now in the hands of the architect and building operations will no doubt be in progress before the close of the present school year. A campaign will be waged again this summer over the State for the last portion needed to bring the total to \$75,000 to include the cost of the building and endowment.

During the past year Mathias Thorfinnson as been the president of the Association and a great deal of credit is due him for his efficient leadership. During the spring term he will act as General Secretary of the Association and manager of the summer's financial campaign.

The Board of Directors has not elected a successor to Mr. Sweetman but the Association hopes to have its new secretary before the opening of the school year next fall.

O. A. C. TO HAVE GOOD ATHLETIC FIELD

When the present plans of the Oregon A. C. athletic association are realized that school will have the best field for interclass athletics that can be found.

Four baseball diamonds, four football fields and four tennis courts with the appropriate bleachers and grandstands will be added to the present track and gridiron. This will mean that 110 men may be engaged in active football competition at the same time or 62 men may be playing competitive games of baseball at the same time.

Steps are being taken to have these ready for the athletic activities of next season. Additions to the gymnasium will also add to the equipment of the school.

Homer E. Dixon, '15, is acting as editor of the farm page of the Non-Partisan Leader, in addition to teaching in the high school at Perham, Minn. Homer finds time occasionally to run out to the A. C. to see the old timers.

ATHLETICS REVIEWED

Athletics at the A. C. during the present school year have expanded and grown faster than any other department of the college. The Aggies have not won any championships nor broken any records, but Coach Davis has built the foundation for teams that will be strong contenders for the title next year. Only two men, Gazette and "Dick" Bjornson, will be lost to the football squad thru graduation and a number of men are in line to step into their jobs. Some of the letter men of this year will have to look sharp next fall if they intend to be regulars on the squad.

The basket ball season this year was not to be compared with the one of 1916. Three regulars from that famous quint were lost thru graduation and Coach Davis this year faced the task of building up a team with only two regulars, Capt. Movold and Hauser, left. Peterson of last year's squad came thru, and filled one of the places with credit. The other two positions were taken care of by Hayes and Heidner, both freshmen, but nevertheless men of excellent caliber. Elliott, Ebling, and Willson composed the substitutes. Weakened by the loss of Movold the team lost to Fargo. Then they lost to the U. N. D. quint by one lone point in a never to be forgotten game on the U's floor. The following week the Aggies turned the tables and beat the U by five points. The last game of the season was won by Fargo College by a score of 27 to 23. On a trip thru South Dakota the boys trimmed everything that got in their way and later took South Dakota State into camp at Fargo.

Prospects for next year's basket ball team are the best that they have ever been as every man on the squad will be back: Not even a substitute will be lost thru graduation. "Dutch Hauser" will lead next year's team.

Two A. C. men were picked on the all state team, they were Hauser and Movold. There two men together with Murray and Stevenson of the University and Sims of Fargo College came together, and after two day's practice played the Jamestown Tigers, a crack semi-pro quint that was claiming the state championship. The all state men had little trouble in defeating them by the one sider score of 42 to 22.

One critic gave Peterson of the A. C. a berth on his state five, thus giving the A. C. three men picked. Peterson played at guard and during the All-State Jamestown game he was used during the latter part of the second half.

Several A. C. players were picked on the all state football team. All the writers gave a berth to captain-elect Peterson, Movold and Captain Bjornson.

Some of the writers gave Hauser and Nemzek places on their mythical eleven, giving the A. C. five men in all.

There is a lot of room for a couple of dozen athletics at the A. C. and we are hoping that the alumni will send them along. Until there is enough material here so that there will be at least three men fighting for every job, the A. C. can't develop the teams that every alumnus would like to see it have. If you are acquainted with any promising young fellows that want to go to school, and that have the nerve and the stick-to-it-iveness to go out for athletics, then boost them along. They will make good if they give themselves a chance and they will bless you afterwards for putting them in the right place.

"Have you any mosquitoes here in summer?" "Well," replied Farmer Corntassel, "we had a few last year. But after they tackled the complexions some of those city girls wore, I don't believe any of 'em will have the nerve to come back."

WITH THE ALUMNI

Mae B. Howe, '16, has been teaching domestic art during the fall and winter terms at the A. C.

A. R. Wije, '14, has been located at De Smet, S. D., for the past two years, where he is working in the capacity of County Agricultural Agent. If Wije delivers any speeches to the farmers like those he handed out as a student, we cannot doubt but what he is in demand as an orator.

Ben. K. Bjornson, '13, has received his D. V. M. at Ohio State since leaving here, but is undecided as to where he will practice, as yet.

Bessie Lanxon, '13, resigned from her position in the Ag. department last year and moved west where she secured a position in the Driggs, Idaho High School.

W. F. Cockburn, '15, is farming for himself at Webster, N. D. Cockburn was a recent visitor at the college.

(Miss) Mable Leet, '15, was a visitor in Fargo last week. We notice Mabel placed at Miss before her name. Does that mean that she is planning on changing it in the near future?

Philip C. Schuyler, '16, is taking post graduate at Ames this year, specializing in Animal Husbandry. Phil is in line for his M. S. in June.

R. C. Dynes, '14, is now engaged in farm management work in the Agricultural Extension Dept. of the A. C. Roy is on the road most of the time, but it seems so queer that he should confine the major portion of his work to the western part of the state.

Theodore E. Stova, '15, has just returned from a two-month's stop in Washington, D. C., where he has been working up a report on flax investigations in N. Dak. Ted makes his headquarters in Fargo.

Lloyd E. Kelly, '16, recently accepted a position as chemist in the research department of the New Jersey Zinc Co., of Palmerton, Penn.

Charles H. Clarke, '08, is at present in charge of flax investigations for the Bureau of Plant Industry. Clark spends a good portion of the year at the Mandan experiment station, which is a federal station, where he is conducting some extensive experiments with flax.

Marvin S. Kirk, '16, has taken to farming, specializing in pure bred live stock, at Devils Lake, N. D.

Wm. Guy, '16, who was cost accountant for some time at the college, has recently been elected to the position of farm superintendent, taking charge about the fifteenth of February.

Clara Dolve, '16, who is teaching in the high school at Beach, N. D. was a visitor on the campus a few months ago.

Agnes Bader, '16, is teaching domestic science in the high school and grades of Pillager, Minn.

Clarence E. Wolsted, '16, upon graduating, spent the summer of 1916 in raising funds for the proposed Y. M. C. A. building. In the fall he entered the Theological Seminary, which is affiliated with the University of Chicago, where he is taking up post-graduate work.

Dean W. Mendenhall, '14, until recently agricultural instructor in the Benson County, N. D. Agricultural and Training School, located at Mad-dock, N. D. has just accepted a position as County Agent of Dawson County, Montana.

THE WINNER, SINGING.

(By Hugh J. Hughes).

Hugh J. Hughes is the name signed to poems we find frequently in Farm, Stock and Home, a paper published in Minneapolis. They are worthy of notice because they actually seem to be expressions of the mind and soul of the fertile farm-lands of the west. Many poets write about the West, but this poet writes about the West with authority; he knows that about which he writes, and he is passionately sincere.

Our women have been loyal, so we men have trod the margins
Of many a distant shoreland by many a chiming sea,
Where the foeman broke us, left his spearpoint on our barges,
And behind him lands and waters and the wealth of soil and tree.

Because they were loyal we set aside our fearings,
And through the demon guarded deep we came to fairer lands;
And there we made for them a place within the feeble clearings,
And prayed to half-remembered gods by lifting up of hands.

Our women have been loyal, so for them we threw our arches
Across the evil rivers and chained them fast and still;
And built the city wall and gate and ceased our endless marches
And found the pleasant valleys that our servant oxen till.

Our women have been loyal beyond all praise or telling,
So, bit by bit; so man by man, we struggled lest we fail:
And found at last a country and a city and a dwelling;
And, best of all, a woman's hands to turn the dipping scale.

Our women have been loyal, and, because that they were loyal,
We built the Law that shelters us, the Creed that scourges wrong;
Both the pleasant little cottage and the towered halls and royal.
And because such were our women came the deathless gift of song.

Our women have been loyal, and, because that they were loyal,
We built the Law that shelters us, the Creed that scourges wrong;
Both the pleasant little cottage and the towered halls and royal.
And because such were our women came the deathless gift of song.

Our women have been loyal. So the fruitful land and pleasant,
The songs of seed and harvest-time, and peace? envisaged years;
The love of little children and the toil of kings and peasant.
And laughter of such happiness that sometimes it is tears.

—The Literary Digest.

Mr. Hughes is a member of the class of 1909.

O! A! C! Girls! O! A! C! Girls!
What have we over here?
We're neither strong on college cards,
And as for bears—you need not fear.
It does seem as if all A. C. men
Have dates this side the Red,
But we presume first chance you've had

To maye get ahead.
It used to be, you never knew
Just where or why they went.
Are you any wiser now
For all the time you've spent?
You say you know—you've got the cue

That's what I heard—"On fussing bent,"
Nevertheless you've missed your guess
And its you that must repent.

What can it be that lures your boys?
Is that the question for which you fall?
If it is—come over! Come one! Come all!
And visit Wheeler and Comstock Hall!

X. Y. Z.

O! dear me I've goth the blues
Coz Ray forgot to write
All he does is send me views
And they don't help a mite.
I know he's awful lonesome
And he knows I'm lonesome too
But how I wish he'd write a line
And say he's being true.

THE ALUMNI IN MUSICAL CIRCLES

A letter from "Doc" to the Alumni? Why, of course, yes. And first, a cordial greeting to each and every Alumnus and former student. A hearty, "Hello" to every one of you. "Dock" is back on "the job". The prodigal has returned. But don't kill the fatted calf, for he never did any harm,—the calf I mean.

The old A. C. looks natural and yet it don't look natural. The old faces are a scattered few who were green and verdant freshmen when I left and now are grave and reverend seniors. In the band only two who played with us when I went away. Where are the others? Scattered to the four (Dakota) winds of heaven. Gone out to work for the good of the state and the community in which they work. Gone to other states to put to good use the many things learned here. Gone out to *service*, the one great, underlying, dominant principle taught here. Gone out to be efficient servants of the community and state.

Does this music work at A. C. pay? Yes, with big interest. Let me tell you. You all know what the band, orchestra, chorus, and glee clubs do here on the campus. You have all seen the student body rally round the band for the athletic contests. You've all heard "The Yellow and the Green" put "pep" into social functions. You've all felt the tingle of the martial spirit with the band on parade. You've all seen Fargo and Grand Forks "sit up and pay attention" when the band has led the students down town. You've all seen the Grand Theatre and Fargo Auditorium packed to overflowing at a band concert, enlivening *this community* and adding interest in the college. But what of the participants themselves? Let me tell you.

"Music washes away from the soul, the dust of everyday life". Those who take active part in the various musical organizations have a relief from the grind of dry studies; and some of them *are* dry, you know. The comradeship of the rehearsal room; the acquaintances formed; the good times on "trips"; friends; the banquets; the helping to win athletic contests; the acquaintanceship with good music; the swing of the march; all these are a spiritual uplift to those taking part. The physical exertion of playing a wind instrument or singing is a constant building up process. No person who played a wind instrument ever died of consumption if he or she did not have the disease when he began to play. And I have seen several with the disease fastened on them recover perfect health by blowing a band instrument. The mental faculties are quickened by the study and practice of music. The music students have to think quick. Music sharpens their perceptions and quickens their judgements. Music teaches concentration and concentration is the crying need of today. This ensemble work in any of the musical organizations teaches "team work", quick obedience, and mental and physical discipline. It reduces "big head" and imparts confidence to the timid. It fosters a spirit of fair play and cooperation—"one for all— and all for one" spirit. Music broadens and educates heart and hand, mind and soul.

And after these participants leave here, their service to themselves and to their communities I have already indicated. During the past two years I have been "in the country". I had at one time nine

bands—country bands—under my direction, and in every one of them were ex A. C. students; and in every case that one or more students were the "ring-leaders" in the band and community. In nearly every case an A. C. man either started the band or was the inspiration for better things for the band. He wanted and secured better instruments for the band. He wanted and got the band to play a better grade of music than they had been playing. And since I have returned here I am constantly receiving letters from ex A. C. men for suggestions as to instruments and music to play.

Does it pay? YES. Don't you see it in the bettering of the musical interest in this state?

Now, what does the Musical Department at A. C. need from you Alumni. Can you help? Surely.

First. Back us by your moral support. Talk us up wherever you get a chance. Tell your friends what we are trying to do. Tell your influential men of the effect the Department has on the college, the students themselves and on your communities when our students come back to you from our work with them.

Second. We need more money for the department. We need some new instruments. Many of those we have are old and have seen much service. We need new music. We need more help in the department to do more extension work. If we had the help we could supply many more of the bands, orchestras, and community choruses with hints, helps and music for their work. We could send out music for programs for all kinds of occasions. There is need right now for this extension work among the isolated rural communities. We haven't help enough to do it as we want to.

Again. We need more musical students here to get the benefit of this training. We had this winter 45 in the Cadet Band. 28 in the orchestra and about 60 in the chorus under Miss Grasse. The second band was small—only about 25. We need many more musical young men and young women. Here is where you Alumni can help. Watch out for proficient musical students who are to go from your towns and communities to some institution of higher education another year and try to persuade them to come to us for education and musical training. We won't hurt them. And in a musical way we will send them back to you better fitted to take their places in your musical organizations. Get next to your band leaders and get them interested in our work here. They may be able to persuade their musical pupils to come here for education and the training we can give in Music Hall.

Alumni. Get busy. Send me the names of any you have in mind for this work and we will get after them with you. Next year we will naturally have a larger department but you can help us make it still larger and better. Won't you? Thanks.

Yours cordially,

C. S. Putnam,
"Doc."

Boletha Frojen, '16, has her hands full looking after the home economics work and the adjoining cafeteria in the Gilbert, Minn High School, up in the range country.

R. F. Powell, '16, who has assumed active charge of his father's farms in the lake region, is making a specialty of raising pure-bred Percheron horses and blooded Shorthorn cattle.

WITH THE ALUMNI

W. H. Westergard, '04, is engaged in the Mortgage and Abstract business, Williston, N. D.

Of the class of 1905 A. M. Mikkelsen is secretary of the Twin City Life Insurance Co., St. Paul, Minn.

We have three communications from the class of 1906. Emily May Plath of Davenport, N. D, whose occupation is that of a "farmer's wife." Mrs. Plath has shown good judgment in choosing her occupation.

John Weaver after teaching a number of years has now returned to the farm. Evidently the class of 1906 were actual farmers.

John Weaver, '06 is ranching at Benneper, N. D. Mr. Weaver and Albert W. Thomas '09 are evidently the only two alumni that are engaged in ranching. Mr. Thomas is located at Ashland, Oregon.

W. P. Heath 1908 returned from Alaska some time ago and is now Manager of Hazelwood Co., Spokane, Washington.

Of the class of 1909, A. P. Murphy is farming at Niagara, N. D. Mr. Murphy has seen most of the world since his graduation but has now decided to become a farmer.

Chas A. Michels has secured two degrees from the University of Wisconsin. M. S. 1912 and Ph. D. 1915. Mr. Michels is now teaching at the Spearfish Normal, Spearfish, S. D.

Ruth Olson '16, has found time during the past year to make several visits to her Alma Mater, even tho teaching a some distance from Fargo. Ruth is looking after the domestic science at Warren, Minn.

Edith Gross '16, came in from Annandale, Minn., where she is teaching, to spend the spring vacation with her parents and friends.

Lucy Cockburn '12, who is teaching Domestic Science at Carrington, makes an occasional trip to Fargo to see Fern and other members of her graduation class. The 1912 class always staid pretty close together, and we look for an extra good representation of that class in June.

Cora Hoag '16, wandered way up into northern Minnesota to show the hardy woodsmen some of the more modern ways of cookery. Cora is located at Hallock.

Hildur Sorensen '14, is in partnership with her brother Christian, on the home farm, trying to improve conditions around Webster, if that is possible. If other sections of the state would send as many students to A. C. as Webster does, the legislature would find it difficult to erect buildings fast enough to care for the needs of the institution.

Mary Thompson, '13, has been keeping pretty close to her home at Ayr, N. D., but we would surely like to see her at commencement this year. Mary isn't so far away but what she could make several trips back to the old school in the course of a year.

Ward H. Porter, '16, though only out of school since last June, has become one of the leading insurance men of the northwest. But then, how can a person resist from buying insurance from a man like that. Ward finds time, however, to follow Chautauqua singers around the country, and judging from his description of one of the maidens, she must be a veritable angel.

Clarence O. Follett, '98, manager of the Fargo Mercantile Company, tho a busy man, favored The Round Table of the College with an interesting talk some weeks ago relative to the wholesale grocery business.

THE MISSION OF THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

(By President E. F. Ladd.)
The North Dakota Agricultural College is a land grant institution. The scope of its work is broad and comprehensive. In order to fulfill its mission, it has kept ever uppermost in mind the true intent and purpose of the act its founder, Justin Morrill, wrote into the law, which defines the character of its instruction as follows: "The leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts in such manner as the legislatures of the states may respectively prescribe in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life." In short, the object of the Morrill Act was to give an education both practical and cultural, especially adapted to the industrial classes.

The Agricultural College aims to interpret the life of North Dakota through the medium of the college class room, the experiment station and the extension service. The college class room is the center. It is the soul of the institution. Here every year the sons and daughters of the industrial classes gather from every section of the state to receive a broad and efficient training in agriculture and its allied subjects—the various kinds of engineering, agricultural, architectural, chemical, civil, industrial and mechanical, and the sciences, chemistry, biology, home economics and pharmacy, that they may learn to earn a livelihood, create greater wealth, and market what they produce. It is in the college class room where they secure, along with their instruction in the industrial arts, cultural training not for culture's sake but for humanity's sake, to enable them to become effective leaders in their communities which eventually means builders of a greater state. It is here the young blood of North Dakota catches the vision of the real mission of the college which is not only scientific in its aspect, but economic and social as well. It is here where they are impressed with the fact that education at public cost is not maintained for the sake of the individual alone, but for the sake of the state as a whole.

In the field of research the sole purpose of the college is not only to stimulate and carry on scientific investigation in order to eradicate diseases which infest animal and plant life and discover methods to improve crop production and animal life, but also to deal with problems of marketing and distribution, and to assist in the solution of difficulties arising from the application of mechanic arts to industrial pursuits.

With a knowledge of the fact that many important experiments computed to be worth millions of dollars to the people of the state are worked out in its research laboratories, the institution seeks to carry such information to the people of the state through the medium of a service called extension. By means of publications, county agents, demonstration farms, farmers' institutes, boys' and girls' clubs and farmers' clubs, the college comes to those who can't come to the college.

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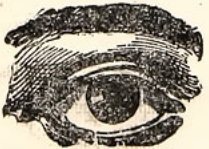
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Presidents Message to Students. Continued from page one considering the rights or lives of others. In the future let us strive for progress, but let it be for a real progress, an achievement for all the people, and let us be loyal to the principle of true justice for all mankind.

The Agricultural College, therefore, looks to you to lead in the splendid uplift that shall come for Agriculture and the industries; and as the one entrusted to help build a bigger college, I ask for your fullest support and cooperation as we now pass from the period of pioneering in college growth to the period of fuller development that now awaits us. We shall need also to study the whole educational field of activities to the end that our entire system of education may be brought into harmony with the best thought and the needs of our time. Ex-President Eliot has well expressed this when he said:

"The changes which ought to be made immediately in the programs of American secondary schools to correct the glaring deficiencies of the present programs are chiefly: The introduction of more hand, ear, and eye-work—such as drawing, carpentry, turning, music, sewing and cooking, and the giving of much more time to the sciences of observation—chemistry, physics, biology, and geography—not political, but geological and ethnographical geography.

"In city schools the manual training course should be given which would prepare a boy for any one of many different trades."

The college fared well, all things considered, at the hands of the last Legislature. In 1915 the College received \$15,500 for improvements for the biennium. The last session just closed granted to the College proper \$102,633 new funds which includes \$60,000 for the main part of Science Hall, much needed for classroom and laboratories,—the balance for additional maintenance and deficiencies of long standing that are now taken care of, and we are given opportunity for further improvements upon the campus. And so altogether in an unfavorable year the Regents are to be congratulated on the splendid possibilities that await us.

Alumni, as you progress, so does the college. As you work and succeed, so does the college advance. The future success of the college, therefore, depends largely upon you and your efforts towards growth. When your ambition dies or flags the prosperity of the college is injured. May success mark your every worthy effort is the desire of he who has been entrusted with the guiding and up-building of this institution; and at Commencement may you return to strengthen our efforts, to enjoy the fellowship of reunion, and to gain enthusiasm for your own undertakings.

E. F. Ladd,
President.

OVER THIRTY FRESHMEN PLEDGED

AFTER ACTIVE SEASON FRESHMEN PLEDGES ARE MADE TO THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

The annual rushing season for freshmen closed Saturday evening. According to a ruling of the faculty no freshman can be pledged to any fraternity or sorority until after March 31. The various organizations, desiring to lose no time, had their ceremonies soon after midnight Saturday. In this manner over thirty members of the freshman class became candidates for membership in the fraternities and the sororities on the campus.

The various organizations have announced the following as having been pledged:

ALPHA MU

Lynn Huey, G. S., Fargo; Jacob H. Fjelde, Pre-medic., Fargo; Culver Ladd, I. C., Fargo; Wm. P. Nemzek, Chem., Moorhead; Arnold Heidner, M. E., Fargo; Lloyd Engle, Pham, Enderlin; and John V. Lang, Vet., Webster.

ALPHA GAMMA RHO.

A. E. Kelly, Agr., Fargo; Claude Ebling, Agr., Barnesville; and Geo. S. Hanson, Agr., Valley City.

ALPHA KAPPA PHI.

Peter McKenzie, Vet., Fergus Falls; Walter McKim, Chem., Fargo; Lewis Croal, Chem., Fargo; William A. Johnston, Chem., Forest River; Henry Holt, G. S., Fargo; Geo. Marony, M. E., Fargo; W. J. Zimmerman, M. E., Casselton, and W. A. Bina, Agr., Conway.

DELTA PHI BETA.

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BCHOTH

Vesta Steer, Agr., Mott; Josephine Prichett, H. E., Alexandria; and Margaret Chandler, H. E., Fargo.

Hamline:

Hamline has scheduled a dual track meet with Cornell for the coming season.

Lew Thomas and Loren Dawson, stars of the Minneapolis Central High School track squad last year, have enrolled at Hamline.

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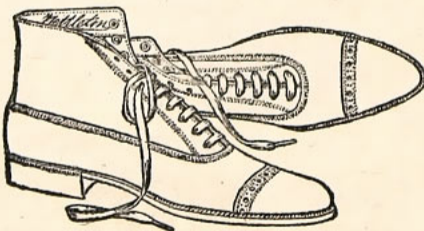
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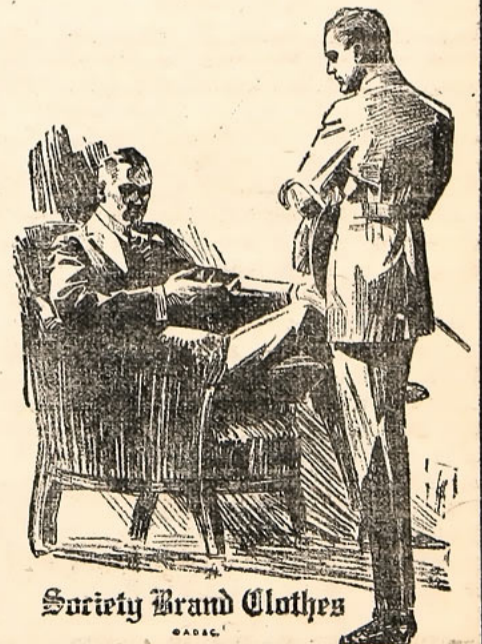
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BASEBALL MEN OUT

Coach Davis and his baseball men are taking advantage of the pleasant spring weather. They started work outside during the early part of last week. Although the diamond is as yet too wet to be used the parade ground furnishes ample room for the preliminary workouts given to aspiring candidates for the team.

The coach has a big job before him. Many new men will have to be trained to fill the places of those who were graduated last spring. But with the early workouts made possible by the warm weather, the outlook is brighter.

Local News

FOLEY WINS SABER.

The annual competition between the five companies of the Cadet Battalion was won by Company A, with Adrian Foley as captain. As the result of winning the drill Capt. Foley was again presented with the saber which was offered as a prize. The drill was close between the companies, but Company A and Captain Foley seemed to be able to "put across" the impression that they were a little more sure of their movements than the other companies. This gave them the decision.

The judges of the competition were Major Steele, Lieut. Colonel Grafton, and Lieut. Colley. A large audience witnessed the exhibition. Music was furnished by the Cadet Band.

ATHLETES RECEIVE SWEATERS

At the close of the winter term the student body relaxed itself and took part in the First Annual Athletic Jubilee. At that time those who had won sweaters by being members of the athletic teams for the past year were given their rewards.

Those receiving the sweaters were the members of the 1916 baseball team, the 1916 football team, and the 1916 basketball team.

The Athletic Association has returned to the old colors of Yellow and Green. The sweaters issued last year were in maroon and gray. This year the sweater was of green with the N. D. in yellow.

ANSWERS CALL OF PRESIDENT

Vernon Sanford has answered the call of President Wilson for volunteers. Shortly after the opening of the present term he decided to give up his school work and to take up the duties of a marine in the U. S. service. He left the latter part of the week for Minneapolis from which place he will go to the Great Lakes region where he will have a six-months' training period before entering upon the active service.

Sanford has been here taking the high school work for the past three years. He has been active in the high school circles and has proved to be a good student. His friends wish him luck in his chosen line.

SENIORS PLAN FOR COMMENCEMENT

SEVERAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT TO ARRANGE FOR SENIOR CLASS ACTIVITIES.

The president of the senior class, Olivia Wild, has announced the selection of the various committees which will have in charge the arrangements for the various events connected with the Commencement for 1917. These committees are already at work and will soon have the plans in such form that they can be announced.

The gift to the college from the Class of '17 will be a drinking fountain to be placed on the campus near the Administration Building. The committee in charge of the selection is composed of Arthur Schollander and Walter Bender.

Other committees are:

In charge of the class play, Madeline Blake, Mary Gibbens, and John Gazette.

On arrangements for Class Day, Helen Lewis, Lena Horne, and Alfred Matters.

To plan for the Senior Swingout, Park Tarbell, Walter Bender, and Olive Guy.

These committees should arrange for one of the most entertaining and instructive commencement seasons that has ever been held at the A. C. As the class has been somewhat diminished in numbers the part which each will have to take will be increased, but all the members of the class are ready to do more than their share to make this season one that they will never forget.

CAN YOU MEET THEM?

A recent issue of the St. Olaf paper gives the following as the requirements for filling the following positions. We are inclined to ask how many such positions could be filled.

Requirements for Eligibility

In a current issue of the Pleiad (Albion College, Michigan) a co-ed submitted the following requirements to which a man must conform before she would consider him for better or worse:

1. He must not smoke.
2. He must not drink.
3. He must not swear.
4. He must be tall.
5. He must have a mind of his own.
6. He must be a good pal.

Publicity is king. Let the co-eds be in darkness as to the necessary qualifications for eligibility in themselves, a man has now submitted the following requirements:

1. She must know how to cook.
2. She must not flirt.
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5. She must have brains.
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 NOVEMBER 2, 1917, FRIDAY, 8: P. M.—Seventh Annual College Literary Society Festival—The Little Country Theatre. Main Building.
 NOVEMBER 9, 1917, FRIDAY, 4:30 P. M.—Ninth Annual A. and M. T. High School Declamatory Contest, The Little Country Theatre Main Building.
 7:30 P. M.—Fourth Annual Industrial Course Demonstration Contest. The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 NOVEMBER 23, FRIDAY, 4:30 P. M.—First Annual Extemporaneous Speaking Contest, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 8:00 P. M.—Twenty-third Annual College Oratorical Contest—The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 NOVEMBER 28, 1917, WEDNESDAY, 8:00 P. M.—Edwin Booth Dramatic Club Fall Term Play, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 NOVEMBER 30, 1917, FRIDAY, 8:00 P. M.—Tenth Annual Joint Debate, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 DECEMBER 15, 1917, SATURDAY, 7:00 P. M.—Third Annual All-College Christmas Festival, College Armory.
 JANUARY 11, 1918, FRIDAY, 4:30 P. M.—Fourth Annual Industrial Course Debate, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 8:00 P. M.—Eighth Annual Inter-Society Debate (High School) The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 JANUARY 25, 1918, FRIDAY, 4:30 P. M.—Ninth Annual Industrial Course Declamatory Contest, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 FEBRUARY 1, 1918, FRIDAY 8 P. M.—Twenty-Third Annual College Declamatory Contest, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 FEBRUARY 20, 1918, WEDNESDAY 8:00 P. M.—Edwin Booth Dramatic Club Winter Term Play, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 MARCH 1, 1918, THURSDAY, 4:30 P. M.—Third Annual Short Course Play, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 MARCH 17-18, SUNDAY AND MONDAY.—Fourteenth Annual Industrial Course Commencement, College Armory and The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 APRIL 6, 1918, SATURDAY, 8:00 P. M.—A. and M. T. High School Senior Class Play, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 APRIL 12, 1918, FRIDAY, 8:00 P. M.—Fourth Annual Joint Debate and Literary Society Stuntfest, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 APRIL 19, 1918, 8:00 P. M.—Fifth Annual Program Contest, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 MAY 9, 1918, THURSDAY, 8:00 P. M.—Edwin Booth Dramatic Club Spring Term Play, The Little Country Theatre, Main Building.
 MAY 24-25, 1918, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.—Eleventh Annual Inter-High School Declamatory Contest.
 JUNE 6-7, 1918 THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.—Seventh Annual Agricultural and Manual Training High School Commencement.
 JUNE 8-11, 1918.—Twenty-Fourth Annual College Commencement.

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 2nd Vice president... Victor Horne
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MANY SENIORS COMPLETE WORK

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With the opening of the spring term several familiar faces among the members of the senior class were missed. About a dozen have completed the work required for graduation and have either gone out to take up positions or have decided to take a little vacation before entering upon life's duties. The majority of those who have left will be able to return in June to take part in the commencement exercises with the rest of the class.

Several have already accepted teaching positions for the rest of the school year. Eleanor Kindred is completing the school year as instructor in the Buttzville schools. Raymond Reiersen has taken the place left vacant by the appointment of the instructor in Agriculture in the Glyndon schools to the position of County Agent for Clay County. He reports that the work is very agreeable, especially as the Easter vacation happened along just at the right time to give him a week's vacation after teaching one

week. Warren Dodds left the latter part of the week for Maddock where he has accepted a position in the Benson County Agricultural High School.

Others who have taken up work in other lines have also started out. Stephen "Dick" Bjornson will leave early this week to take up some field work for the Dakota Farmer. Harry Britton has accepted a position with Dr. Worst with the Northwest Farmer. Others are considering propositions and may leave at any time.

There seems to be a job for every one of the seniors who desire one. That speaks well for their preparation.

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