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Long Looked For Play Will Appear Friday This Week

FAMOUS FOUR-ACT COMEDY TO BE STAGED BY ALPHA MU.

Next Saturday night the students of this institution are going to be given a chance to see one of the greatest English Comedy Dramas that was ever staged.

It is one of those plays which brings forth a smile at the first rise of the curtain and then produces a good laugh which is again covered with a serious thought and soon you feel like weeping but before you are aware of it you are laughing heartily again.

Miss Katherine York of the English department of the college, is directing the play, and as the individuals who make up the cast are all old hands at the work, the production promises to be above the average.

The cast is as follows: Lady Crackenthorpe, Jimmie's mother—Miss Laura Taylor. Millicent, Jimmie's sister—Miss Rizoph Ladd.

There will be a number of reserved seats sold, which will be for sale in the Book Store at the college and at Fout and Porterfield's drug store down town.

NOTICE—ATHENIANS.—At the last meeting of the society it was decided that Athenians who were absent from three consecutive meetings of the society, without good cause, would be dropped from the roll.

New National Fraternity Chapter Installed Monday

KADONAH CLUB BECOMES CHAPTER OF ALPHA GAMMA RHO.

The Kadonah Club of the Agricultural college is no more. It is now known as the Epsilon Chapter of the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity.

They were met at the train and taken to the Gardner Hotel where the members of the Kadonah Club sat down with them at dinner.

At twelve o'clock they were taken to President Worst's office and they went from there to the Alpha Mu fraternity house with the president.

That afternoon the installation took place at the Gardner Hotel and after the installation a banquet was held in the Gardner banquet room.

The new fraternity is a purely technical one, as only Agricultural men are eligible for membership.

35 cents. The first six rows in the armory will be reserved. The curtain will go up at eight fifteen, sharp.

Y. M. C. A. REPORTS A VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Summary Of Work Shows Association Up Well

The work of the Y. M. C. A. has been more successful and the results have been more far-reaching and more keenly felt during the past year than during any other year of its history at this institution.

The musical side has probably been the most developed and most conspicuous, and this feature has had more to do with making the socials and meetings successful than any other force in the association.

On the whole the association has passed through a very successful year, considering that the work has been done wholly by students of the college, carrying regular courses of study in the several departments.

Devotional meetings were carried on every Sunday afternoon during the fall and winter terms with a very good attendance.

Several courses in Bible study have been carried on in co-operation with the churches of the city with successful results.

Gamma Rho. There were eighteen charter members in the organization and they are as follows: President Worst, Prof. Thompson, Edgar Olson, Hal Pollock, Carl Paine, Glenn Livengood, Norbert Gorman, Homer Dixon, Christian Sorenson, Will Cockburn, Morris Winter, Joseph Dwyer, Gilbert Stafne, Ed. Parizek, Ray Bolsinger, Harold Bachman, Phillip Schuyler and Winney Crouch.

Evidently Prof. Smith loves to break up those little tete-a-tetes which are sometimes held in or about the Main building.

Lieutenant Herren is confined to his bed with an extreme case of inflammatory rheumatism.

Under the head of Mission Study some effective work has been done. A class in Rural Sociology has been conducted, studying rural conditions and the solution of rural problems, as brought forth in the book entitled "The Challenge of the Country."

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A great deal of the credit for the success of the association must be given to the delegates that go to Lake Geneva where they get in touch with men of influence and leadership.

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To do these things and others which an association should do there is need for a full time man who can devote his time and can come into personal contact with every man in the institution.

Successor To Prof. Putt Has Arrived

PROF. SCHLICHTING OF MICHIGAN TAKES UP DRUG ANALYSIS.

The resignation of Prof. E. B. Putt last fall left vacant an important position in the Chemistry department, which has taken some time to fill.

Prof. Schlichting is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and for

NOTICE—SPECTRUM STAFF.—You are hereby notified that there will be a meeting of the full staff in the main office of the publication, on Thursday, April 3, at 1:00 p. m., and that you, each and all of you, are expected to be there at that time to meet and greet your fellow members.

Annual Inter High School Field Day Declamation Contest

SATURDAY, MAY 10, ANNOUNCED FOR SIXTH ANNUAL OCCURRENCE.

All students will be interested in the announcement of the date for the annual inter-high school field day and declamation contest.

Fourteen track and field events will take place, including all the events usually run in a high school meet, and gold, silver, and bronze medals will be awarded to the winners of first, second, and third place respectively, in each of the events.

The declam. will take place in the armory, in the evening. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are offered to the winners of the respective places, and the school winning first place two years in succession carries home a silk banner.

These contests are open to all high schools in North Dakota and Western Minnesota, and we hope for an even greater number of participants this year than in previous years.

the past two years has been assistant to Prof. Stevens, Dean of the School of Pharmacy at Michigan.

At this institution he will be Drug Analyst for the Food Department, giving special attention to patent medicines and proprietary products here also.

Base Ball And Track Schedule Is Almost Complete

NUMBER OF GOOD BASEBALL GAMES ASSURED — ANNUAL DUAL MEET WITH THE UNIVERSITY MAY 31.

Student Manager Peters is hard at work straightening out the final kinks in the athletic program for the spring term, which he promises will be the best that can possibly be secured.

The Inter-Scholastic field and track meet is slated for the 10th of May, while the dual meet between the A. C. and the U. N. D. will be pulled off on the 31st of May.

April 18—Moorhead Normal at Moorhead.

April 25—Moorhead Normal at Dacotah Field.

May 3—Science School at Wahpeton.

May 7—Science School at Dacotah Field.

May 10—Inter-Scholastic track meet at Dacotah Field.

May 12—U. N. D. at Dacotah Field.

May 14—St. Olaf at Northfield.

May 15—St. Thomas at St. Paul.

May 21—Fargo College at Dacotah Field.

May 24—Fargo College at Fargo College.

May 26—U. N. D. at Grand Forks.

May 28—Hamline at Dacotah Field.

May 30—St. Thomas at Dacotah Field.

May 31—U. N. D. vs. A. C. dual meet at Grand Forks.

INDOOR BATTING PRACTICE HAS STARTED—CANDIDATES GETTING INTO SHAPE.

"Polly" Foss, coach pro tem, during Reuber's absence, and Captain Wirtenberger report themselves well pleased with the material in sight.

No definite information on the lineup can be had for some time yet, but as soon as the weather permits outdoor practice to begin a more substantial line of dope may be had.

Coach Reuber was away the past week on some mysterious tour.

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THE NEW ASSOCIATE.

With this issue our readers will notice the name of the editor-elect, Mr. Dixon, as a member of the present staff in the capacity of Associate Editor. Mr. Dixon will take active charge of the paper at the opening of the school year next September, and in the meantime is improving the shining hours by getting into as close touch with the newspaper business in general and the Spectrum business in particular as is possible. Mr. Dixon will contribute articles to the columns of the paper from time to time, having several in this issue, and will assist in the general work of issuing the sheet each week from now until the close of school.

DISAPPOINTING STANDINGS.

During the past week we have all received from the Registrar those tell-tale slips of paper which publish to us and to our parents the recorded results of the past term's work. Many will be disappointed with the grades received, as many will no doubt average lower than the average of previous terms.

Several of the instructors have declared that during the term which has just closed they have had poorer work from their students than ever before, a statement which may well be considered with a great deal of care. Searching for the cause of this falling off in quality of work, we are struck with the appalling number of events and programs which have taken place during the winter, and if the students attended and contributed toward these in the

manner in which they were expected to, it is no wonder that grades are low. Whether all the blame can be placed on the Student Life Special is doubtful. The students who actually made the trip were a picked lot, none having a standing below a certain reasonably high figure. To these students a few days away from the campus could not mean much in the way of reduced grades, but the strenuous days and nights of preparation, together with all the other occurrences, in which a much larger proportion of the student body participated, must have been particularly detrimental to school work.

However, one thing is accentuated even by this term's results. The outside activities of students of the college are shouldered by a comparatively few persons, thus necessitating quite a number of people to appear in from two to half a dozen events, while the remainder stand aside or aloof, and make the criticisms by which we live. This fact we deplore, but it seems to be a common experience with all classes and conditions of people. The question is still open, as to which of the two classes of students receive the greatest amount of good, and we will not attempt to settle it this week.

SOCIETY MEMBERS.

It has been asked what should constitute the work of the Literary Societies of this college. There are many opinions that may be held on this question. It is apparent some hold erroneous views regarding this question. They think that if they take part in a play, a debate or show up when it is time to have the Agassiz picture taken, that they have done all that is necessary for the society to which they belong. It is possible to get some of these members to serve on the program, in that way they attend a meeting now and then, but do not attend enough to be a benefit to the society.

As there are both a segregated and a mixed society, the student is afforded a choice in his selection. Meetings are held every Friday evening in some societies and every other Friday in others, or any other evening set aside for literary work. At the present time very little attention is being given to this side of the students' development. It is neither with the consent of the faculty nor the wish of the student body, in the opinion of the writer, that our college literary societies should be dropped from the students' field of activities. But such is the case and has been for some time. The literary work of our societies here is much

below the standard when compared with other colleges of our size and rank.

Another question that comes up is, why is there not more interest taken in this work? Is it because the student does not realize the value of such a training, in that his attention has not been called to this side of his development, or is it because he does not wish to enter into this kind of work? This lack of interest is manifested especially among the upper classmen who should be the most ardent workers for their society, not only for their own good but to encourage the under classmen to take an interest in literary work. The answer to the question may be this, that there is no particular night set aside for literary work only, too many other things are going on and the literary society is the last consideration; that is, if there is nothing else to go to or to do, why then it is possible to get a few of the most interested members out. There should be a night of each week or one in two weeks set aside for society work, and there should be something of interest there for every student in college, such as training in extemporaneous speaking, parliamentary practice and general work in the society.

This is not an appeal for more members, so much as it is an urgent request from the active members of the societies to induce those who are already members to take an active interest in such work. It is hoped that this term will mark an improvement in literary work, and that plans may be laid for a good beginning next year, in order that societies will receive much more attention from the students than they have heretofore.

—A Member.

The superintendent of the Mandan Federal Sub-station visited the college last Saturday and called on Mr. Hennen, our present herdsman, with the view of securing him as his Station Foreman. Nothing definite can be said as yet concerning the proposition, but it is expected that terms can be agreed upon, in which case we will be able to make more definite statements in our next issue. The job is not an entirely new one to Mr. Hennen, as it will be remembered that he was connected with this station a number of years as head teamster and later as foreman.

Edward C. Gustafson of Ralph, S. Dak., made a hurried call on his brother George at the college Sunday, and left again in the afternoon for Sanborn where he is engaged in teaching.

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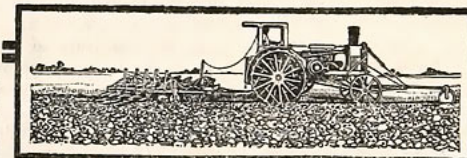
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Ole Neraal spent Friday at Warren, Minnesota, looking over the school there. As a result of his visit he has accepted a position as instructor in the high school of that place, and will leave Wednesday to take up his duties. Mr. Neraal was very well pleased with the school and with teachers and officials whom he met there. He will teach classes in Farm Crops, Botany, Horticulture, and Chemistry.

A. L. Fischer, who is soliciting canvassers for the Barnum publications continues to be beset with hard luck, but is as persistent as ever.

The Botanical department is busy grading up pedigreed flax seed to send to the farmers of the state.

Professor Milbrath returned from Milwaukee, where he had been called by the serious illness of a sister, who, we are pleased to report, is now again on the road to recovery.

Miss Lottie Porter, a former student here, spent Friday with her sister Olive. She was enroute from Valley City Normal to her home, there to spend her vacation.

Miss Frojen is one of the newest Freshmen to be drafted into service in the Mailing Bureau of Science Hall.

Miss Alma Johnson left Saturday, expecting eventually to reach Shelby, Montana, after a month spent visiting.

The Senior H. E. girls are rejoicing because they need to take but one subject this term.

Ceres Hall gymnasium has received considerable apparatus, but it is earnestly desired that a clock be installed that the girls need no longer miss their classes and meals.

The Zoological department is unfortunate in that the smaller of the two alligators which were recently brought from Florida by Mr. and Mrs. Emery has departed this life, reposing now in a pickle jar.

Arthur Ogaard expects to leave Friday to take up his position at the Williston substation.

Edgar Olson, better known to us as "Ole," is threatening to go out for track and smash all previous records in any event he chooses to participate in.

The students will all be sorry to learn that "Greasy Bill" Emery will not be with us this term, as he left this morning for Emerado, his ancestral home, where he will practice Agriculture and Engineering according to his own designs.

Arthur Ogaard, in plotting the results of the investigations carried on for his thesis, discovered a (to him) unexpected correlation between the rainfall and the moisture content of soil.

Prof. Dynes has been suffering from a severe attack of Quinsy. On Saturday his condition became so serious that he was taken to the hospital.

George Manikowske has been seen about the campus several times of late.

Interest in track seems to be at a very low ebb. In looking over the situation we can find plenty of material, but a discouraging lack of enthusiasm. If this state of affairs continues it can hardly be expected that we will have a very strong team. Get into the game and try to scare up a little spirit.

Last Wednesday the five A. C. football captains who are now in school had their pictures taken at Jansrud's studio. They lined up as follows: Bert Haskins, captain '09; "Polly" Foss, capt. '10; "Dutch" Schroeder, capt. '11; "Ole" Olson, capt. '12; and Grover Cleveland Edwards, capt. '13. All of them came through in good shape and were able to resume their school duties the next day.

"Scoop" Perry attended the Grand last Saturday evening. Scoop's gentle disposition was plainly evident during the more touching parts of the play. We believe he had "dramatic thrills."

The spring showers Sunday morning created considerable consternation among the fair ones who ventured to church in their new bonnets. The natural precipitation was heightened by the addition of tear drops from those whose creations were ruined in their homeward journey, and considerable damage is reported. The moral the associate editor draws from this is—don't go to church.

Prof. Stevens was at Portland Friday and Saturday of last week, sealing certified seed grain.

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CEREALS

Miss Ruby Gibbens of Bismarck spent the past week with Miss Gertrude.

Miss Barbara Heidner was the guest of Miss Olive Porter Saturday evening.

Miss Grace Wallen of Portland visited Edith Shelton Wednesday.

Prof. Householder has been boarding at Ceres the past week.

Prof. Hard and family took dinner at Ceres Sunday.

The Misses Marjorie and Eleanor Cox of Fairmount were guests of Mabel and Marion over Saturday and Sunday.

Beginning this term the study bell does not ring until 8:00 p. m., lights out at 11:00. This will, as soon as the weather permits, swell the ranks of the class in Campus.

Mr. Arthur Newgard of Devils Lake was the guest of Miss Lucy Sprague Sunday.

Lillian Hume returned from her home at Lisbon to Ceres again.

The Monson girls enjoyed the visit of their sister Dorothy Thursday.

Miss Esther Morgan of Kindred was a guest of Marian Brainard Sunday.

Miss Blanche McDonald dined with Mr. and Mrs. Fancitt Tuesday evening, and was a guest of "Dad" at the Gardner Friday evening.

Miss Nellie Ewen is still enjoying the mumps.

Miss Mary Gibbens is still seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbens came down the middle of the week to be with her.

Miss Edith Shelton led Y. W. Sunday afternoon. The time of the Sunday devotional meetings has been changed to 4:30 instead of 3:00.

The girls in Sewing 5 have started some wonderful spring gowns.

Miss Jensen's father visited her the last part of the week.

The special class in art needlework meets every Monday morning from eight until ten.

The girls in D. S. 8 start serving their luncheons and dinners Tuesday. Edna Steedsman, cook; Louise Poland, laundress and hostess; Edith Shelton, waitress; and Alma Erickson, dishwasher.

Miss Stoner and Miss Linder spoke before the Home Economics section of the Fine Arts Club last week.

The Misses Bowers, Berner, and Magill attended Y. W. Sunday afternoon.

John Freeman is suffering from an attack of the mumps.

Miss Eugenia Ruff was at Buffalo Friday fulfilling a musical engagement.

Oscar Rygg, Farm Husbandry '13, has been selected as head man in the plant nursery for the coming year, and he has already entered upon his duties.

Oratorical Contest Postponed Four Days

CONTEST TO BE HELD THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Spectrum last week announced that the annual oratorical contest was to be held last Saturday evening. This was the plan of the Board of Control, but circumstances have made it appear wise to postpone a few days longer. Several additional students have signified their intention of participating in the contest, and a better contest is now expected than even last week's forecast gave premonition of.

Thursday afternoon has now been set upon as the date for holding the contest, and it has also been decided to hold the same in the old chapel in the Administration building. Admission will be entirely free, and all students, members of the faculty, and friends of the institution are invited to attend. Constant rehearsing and hard drilling is now the order of the day, and everybody is getting rounded into perfect shape for masterful delivery.

NOTICE!

In the printing of the list of the subscriptions of the college organizations toward the support of the Student Life Special Train in last week's issue, one item was omitted by mistake. We thus call attention to the subscription of five dollars made by the Lyceum of Engineers.

Prof. Waldron has been skirmishing the vicinity recently in search of a team of horses for the horticultural department. He finally succeeded in locating some at Galesburg which suited him and they will soon make their appearance upon the campus.

George Gustafson departed last night for Ralph, S. D., where he will till the soil on his farm for the next two months.

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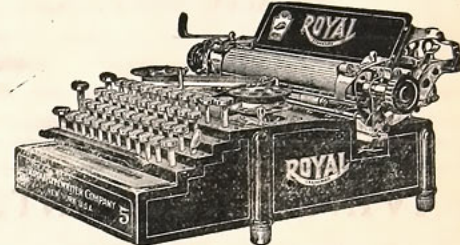
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