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STUDENT LIFE SPECIAL LEAVES COLLEGE STATION FOR FOUR DAYS CAMPAIGN OF SCHOOL ADVERTISING

First Train of its Kind now a Reality, With over Seventy Students Touring the State

Yesterday morning at nine o'clock "The First Student Life Special in All America," with George Manikowske at the throttle and Gustavus Dolphus M. Anderson as conductor, and students filling every other position in the train crew, pulled away from the "station" at the Power house, and headed northward over the new cutoff for four days' trip around the state. Hard work as they logan of all on board, the mood of the institution, the aim of every one concerned. It is expected to carry a picture of A. C. life to everyone within reach of the route over which the train travels. The program which the students will have been given wide publicity ready, and is appended in detail below. The two baggage cars of the train contain many matters of interest, showing the work of the college and station faculty, and of the students.

The first car was given over to the departments of Geology, Chemistry, Biology, Agriculture, and Home Economics.

The Geology department exhibited number of soil maps, weather maps, and a Geologic map of the state; specimens of minerals, building stones, soils, commercial fertilizers; soil auger, a geologist's hammer, and a minerologist's blow-pipe. The chemistry department showed fertilizer exhibits, sanitation exhibits consisting mainly of views of buildings, etc., soil forming rocks, and habits from the pure food and drug department.

The Botanical department had exhibits of plant diseases, weed seeds, students' note books, and a collection of mounted birds and rodents. The Agricultural department had demonstrations of soil mulches, water holding capacity of soils, etc.; pictures of stock judging class, picture of the coded stock; and a few exhibits from the farm mechanics division. In the corner devoted to the Home Economics department were to be seen a case of student-made candy, cake, and bread; a bread score card, kitchen cabinet, and a collection of food charts.

The second car was the dynamo, and the space not used by the dynamo was devoted to the Engineering department. Here was found an independent lighting plant, models of heating devices, and other household apparatus, electrical appliances, an exhibit of forge, wood, and machine shop work; charts of house plans, and civil engineering equipment. The Manikowskes were given space to exhibit their well-known plant.

These exhibits, with the programs to be rendered, are calculated to do much to accomplish the object once stated by one of the promoters of the train idea, "to do away with the notion that the Agricultural College is a one-horse institution."

At the places where the night stops are made the following program will be rendered. It is known as "An evening with college students."

Part I.

The N. D. A. C. Cadet Band will render:
Star Spangled Banner.

- (a) March, President Worst—Dr. Putnam.
- (b) Overture, Orphee aux Enfers—Ogenbach.
- (c) Berceuse from "Jocelyn"—Godard.

Part II.

The College "Y" Quartet will sing:
The Vacant Chair.
The Boys of the Old Brigade.

Part III.

The N. D. A. C. Cadet Band will render:
(a) Medley of excerpts from popular operas, including: "The Bachelor Belles," "The Golden Butterfly," "The Man Who Owns Broadway," "The Girl and the Kaiser," "Baron Trenck," "Alma Where Do You Live," "Dollar Princess," "The Chocolate Soldier," and "The Broken Idol."

- (b) Quartet from the opera "Rigoletto".....Verdi
- Messrs. Bachman, Boyd, Foss, Barrett
- (c) Largo.....Handel

Part IV.

The College "Y" Quartet will sing:
The Tar Song.
The Sailor's Dream.

Part V.

The Edwin Booth Dramatic Club will present at Minot and Lisbon, "First Come, First Served," a comedy-dietta by J. M. Norton:

CAST OF CHARACTERS
Harry Barton, a rising young lawyer, Arthur Ogaard.
Mrs. Templeton, a widow with a will of her own, Laura Taylor.
Julia, Mrs. Templeton's niece, Genevieve Grover.
Josephine, Mrs. Templeton's niece, Eugenia Ruff.
Scene—Mrs. Templeton's apartments.

At Devils Lake and Bismarck: "In the Wrong House," a comedy sketch by Martin Becker:

CAST OF CHARACTERS
Mr. Themistocles Judd, a learned author, Chester Holkesvig.
Mr. Nathaniel Nokes, father of Lotty, Arthur Ogaard.
Tom Jarvis (walking gentleman)—Royal Drummond.
Detective (utility), William V. Arvola.
Lotty, wife of Jarvis (walking lady), Katherine Keye.
Mrs. Clapper, a landlady (old woman), Rizzpah Ladd.
Scene—A very ordinary room.
Time—In representation—twenty-five minutes.

Part VI.

The N. D. A. C. Orchestra will render:
(a) Selection from the opera "The Firefly", Frime.
(b) Hungarian Dance No. 5, Brahms.

Part VII.

Extra.....Nobody Knows

Part VIII.

The N. D. A. C. Crack Squad will give fancy military exhibition drill.

Part IX.

The N. D. A. C. Cadet Band will render:
Grand Fantasia—Home, Sweet Home
The World Over.....Lampc
Note:—The composer describes the manner in which Home, Sweet Home, is played in different countries as follows: 1. Air. 2. Germany. 3. Spain. 4. Russia. 5. Italy. 6. Scotland. 7. Hungary. 8. China. 9. Ireland. 10. America.
Finale:—"The Yellow and The Green"—N. D. A. C. Song.

Wednesday will be spent at the state capitol. A special program will be rendered there in the afternoon, which follows:
Prelude—N. D. A. C. Cadet Band Concert.
2:00—2:30 p. m.

- (a) March, Corobus—Boehnlein.
- (b) Polish Dance—Scharwenka.
- (c) Cornet Solo, "Good Bye", Tosti
- Chief Musician Harold Bachman
- (d) Selection from the opera "The Quaker Girl"—Monchton.

Program—2:30 p. m.

Presiding Officer—Clarence A. Williams.
March, "President Worst", Dr. Putnam—N. D. A. C. Cadet Band.

Reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg Speech.
To Watch O'er Thee—

The Heart Bowed Down—College "Y" Quartet.
Address, "Abraham Lincoln," John Henry Worst.

The Vacant Chair—College "Y" Quartet.
Aid de Ballet, Pas des Amphores, (Chaminade)—N. D. A. C. Cadet Band.

Star Spangled Banner.
Finale.....The "Flour" Girls

Below is a reproduction of the menu card of the "Special":

Breakfast

Baked Apples with Jelly Centers
Oatmeal and Cream
Toasted Corn Flakes (crisp)
Hamburger Steak Cream Potatoes
Poppers

Luncheon

Baked Beans Lyonnaise Potatoes
Celery
Brown Bread Butter

Apple Pie a la mode
Coffee

Dinner

Bouillon a la Devils Lake
Roast Pork German Apple Sauce
Baked Potatoes Escalloped Potatoes
Muffins
Celery and Lettuce Salad
(Garnished with Eggs)
Plum Whip Wafers
Coffee

The Dining car is under the supervision of the young ladies registered in the school of Home Economics, N. D. A. C.

Fargo College Game Postponed Until Tomorrow Because of Ill Luck

ILLNESS OF HILL SCHOOL PLAYERS CAUSES CHANGE OF PROGRAM.

Due to illness among the Fargo College players the game scheduled for last Saturday night had to be postponed until Wednesday, February 12. The game will be played in the Fargo College gym, while the return game will be played at the Armory on March 8th. This gives us the last game at home, which ought to be an advantage.

Fargo College has been having more than their just share of hard luck, sickness and injuries among their players has wrought such havoc with their squad, that they were absolutely unable to play last Saturday night, and Coach Rueber consented to the postponement as he did not deem it good sportsmanship to take advantage of a crippled opponent. It may happen that some time in the future, Fargo College may find an opportunity to reciprocate the favor, but here's hoping it will never become necessary, though we do not doubt but what they would.

Going back to the subject in hand and incidentally the coming game, we again become optimistic. Although gloom was brought to our camp by Bolsinger's enforced lay-off, due to blood poisoning, the reaction has come about and now the tables are turned and hope is again reigning. Bolsinger is rounding back into fine shape, and chances are good of his being able to participate in the game Wednesday night, in addition to John Nolet, who was forced to quit basketball early in the season, due to illness and lack of time, has resumed practice. John plays at the forward position and ranks with the best in the state. Hackett was also hampered by lameness during the past week, but is now again in good condition. The balance of the squad are in good condition. Gubrandson will be seen again in the lineup, and will alternate with Krafthefer at the pivot job. The lineup will be selected from the squad published last week, all of whom will probably get into the game.

It is to be hoped that our students will assemble en-masse and give the team their support. The rooters club will be in a rather disorganized condition due to the absence of some of the leading spirits on the "Student Life Special," so it is up to the remaining ones to back the team with more than usual vigor.

EDUCATIONAL LECTURE.

The educational lecture of Feb. 4 was given by Professor Reynolds of the Department of Botany. His subject was The Teaching of Biology in the High School. The address was listened to with much interest inasmuch as a number of very practical points were brought out. The address of Tuesday, Feb. 11th, in this course will be given by Professor Trimble on Teaching of Civics. The students are taking careful notes in the course as an examination is to be required at the end.

It will be of interest to know that Prof. Kirshman is at present working on a thesis, which if successfully completed, will be the means of his obtaining the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. This work is being conducted under the direction of the University of Wisconsin, and Prof. Kirshman has chosen for his thesis "The Modern Doctrine of Protection from 1880-1890."

It will be of interest to many students of the college and people of the city to hear of the birth, on Jan. 14, of a baby girl to Prof. and Mrs. Kalmbach. Prof. Kalmbach, who was principal of the A. and M. T. High School last year, is now superintendent of the city schools of Castle Rock, Wash.

NOTED CONSERVATIONIST TO SPEAK AT GRAND

At the Grand theatre next Sunday evening, the people of Fargo will be favored by hearing Prof. George B. Frankforter, Dean of the School of Chemistry of the University of Minnesota. Prof. Frankforter has made a very exhaustive study of the waste products of industry, especially of wood, and the uses to which they may be put. His subject, as may be inferred, will be "The Utilization of Waste Products," and the lecture will be profusely illustrated with good slides.

Dr. Stearns Delivers Second Lecture In Agricultural History

AGRICULTURE OF EUPHRATES VALLEY WAS INTERESTINGLY PRESENTED.

Despite the severe weather of last week, a good audience gathered to hear Dr. Stearns' lecture on the History of Agriculture in the Euphrates Valley, and all declared it to have been abundantly worth while to brave the storm for the treat which was in store.

The Euphrates Valley was described as a tract of land which had in times past supported an enormous population, indeed, several civilizations had sprung up and decayed in this territory, and it was the opinion of Dr. Stearns that the valley would again, under wise government and scientific treatment, support a large population.

In the ancient days the valley was covered with an elaborate irrigation system, so much water being taken from the river that it decreased in volume as it approached its mouth. Even now the natives take much water from the river. This system may soon be restored, as English engineers are scooping out the old canals, and cleaning out the old lake bed which served as the reservoir. As it is, the country is either high and dry, or it is marshy, with brackish water in the old canals, and the land too sour to raise crops. But the soil is highly fertile. It is all "made land," having been deposited by the ancient river through the ages, as it wended its way to the gulf. The river was the maker of the country, the highway of the nation, and the feeder of the nation.

Conflicting political interests promise interesting developments in this region soon. While England is developing the irrigation system from the south, Germany is building a railroad from the north-west, and at the same time Turkey claims possession of the entire country.

The lecture was profusely illustrated with slides showing the topography of the country, the habits of its people, and the evidences of a former grandeur. The date for the next lecture has not been announced, but the subject will be the "Basis of Agriculture in Ancient Palestine," and promises to be even more interesting than the previous lectures.

PIONEER CALLED BY DEATH

Father of Grover Edwards Dies at His Home at Dryaton.

The students and faculty of the institution were shocked last week to receive a letter from Grover Edwards, who had been called home by the illness of his father, stating that the latter had passed away. Mr. Edwards was a man of advanced age, having passed four score years, and was an old time settler in Pembina county. The sympathy of the entire college community is extended to our fellow student in his bereavement.

Y. M. C. A. DEMORALIZED.

Because of a multiplicity of causes the regular Sunday meeting of the "Y" was not up to the usual high standard this week. Two of the members of the quartet were with the band at the Masonic Temple, many of the members who regularly attend were busy with the train, and to cap the climax the speaker who had been announced was confined to his bed with the grip. Nevertheless, quite a group gathered, and the Sociology class discussed the regular lesson.

AGRICULTURAL CLUB.

Not to be outdone by the Declamatory contest, the club met at seven o'clock instead of eight, and the following program was rendered:
The Problem of Hired Help—Geo. Else.

Debate: Resolved, "That Dairy Farming is More Profitable than Beef Raising." Affirmative—Albert Satre, George Mehl, Kenneth Bunt. Negative—Arthur Fedje, Cassius Lawson, Martin Shively.

The rebuttal was handled by Fedje and Satre. The negative side was victorious. Much enthusiasm was shown, and everybody showed a desire to see debates "pulled off" more often.

GEORGE MANIKOWSKE AND KATHERINE LADD TIE FOR FIRST PLACE IN DECLAM.

Wallace Manikowske Takes Second With Presentation of "Baked Beans and Culture".

Friday evening, before a record-breaking audience, was presented the eighteenth annual declamatory contest, which resulted in a tie between George Manikowske and Katherine Ladd for first honors. The weather was favorable, the interest was keen, the audience was attentive and inspiring, and through all these stimuli the declamers were spurred on to do their best. Long before eight that evening the people began to gather, and before the program began the floor was comfortably filled, and quite a few found seats in the balcony.

The program was opened by a vocal solo by Mrs. Kallgren, and then John Horne was introduced, who rendered "The Trial of Ben Thomas." This pictured a court room scene. A man had just been tried for murder. No evidence had been introduced in his defense, and the case was about to go to the jury. An old man entered the court room, and asked to be heard in the defense, and after holding up the previous spotless record of the prisoner, revealed the evidence which he and the faithful wife of the accused had just been enabled to discover. So striking was this that the case was completely reversed, and the prisoner was a free man once more.

Katherine Ladd very cleverly told "The Misfortunes of Little Ike Temple." This considered both the humor and the sterner realities of the negro child life. The parts of the child and of the mammy were both well rendered, and the few verses of the negro hymn which closed the piece capped the climax.

Julia Manikowske's selection was entitled "Repentance," and related the experience of a man who wandered about with a price on his head, finally confessing to the man who had befriended him, when the latter was on the verge of ruin financially, thus bringing the reward into his hands.

"The Death Disk" was another selection in which a child and older persons entered, and was the one chosen by Jennie Simmons. It related the error of a man who entrusted the casting of the lot to a little child.

Kadonah Club Organizes With Large Charter Roll

ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO BECOME AFFILIATED WITH NATIONAL ORDER.

Last week we made mention in these columns of the organization of a new Agricultural society, the Kadonah club. This week we are able to publish the list of charter members, as well as the names of the officers of the society. It is expected that in the near future the club may become a chapter of one of the national Agricultural fraternities. The membership roll follows:

- Homer Dixon, President.
- Hal Pollock, Secretary.
- Glenn Livengood.
- Will Cockburn.
- Gilbert Stafne.
- Norbert Gorman.
- Edward Parizek.
- Edgar Olson.
- Joe Dwyer.
- Winney Crouch.
- Morris Winter.
- Walter Bayard.
- A. C. Sorenson.
- Phil Schuyler.
- Carl Paine.
- Harold Bachman.
- Ray Bolsinger.

ENGINEERS INITIATE.

Last Friday evening the Lyceum of Engineers initiated two new candidates into the mysteries of valves, gears, static electric, etc. The candidates were Messrs. Tarbell and Wilson, of the Freshman class. One of the features of the initiation was a boxing match between the two candidates, which threatened to become serious, mortal wounds being prevented only by the prompt interference of the older members of the society. After the ceremony light refreshments (engineer's style), prepared by Chef J. Howard Hess, were served.

Because of Prof. Hard being almost incapacitated by illness, Mrs. Hard took partial charge of the exhibit to the special train, and succeeded in setting up a very creditable exhibit, with the aid of the student assistants.

The humorous selection of the evening was the one which won second place, "Baked Beans and Culture," and was delivered with a good deal of finish by Wallace Manikowske. Wallace was particularly successful in imitating the voice and action of an old Yankee storekeeper.

There was little doubt about the place won by big George Manikowske with his presentation of the story of Connor, the Irishman who worked so hard and so faithfully against such tremendous odds to save sufficient money to assure the transportation to this country of his wife and baby, only to have all his savings stolen on the eve of sending it over to fetch them. Again Connor worked and saved, easier now, for his pay was higher, and this time he actually bought the tickets and sent them to his wife, and they took passage. The day of their arrival came, the boat entered the harbor, and Connor went down to meet his loved ones. He looked all about, finally asked the captain, but heard the terrible news of the death of both wife and son by cholera on the journey over. Connor was overcome, he fell forward, faint, and on recovering consciousness, said if they could not come to him, he would go to them, and expired.

The tale is full of pathos, and Mr. Manikowske was perfectly able to bring it out.

The last declamation was entitled "The Polish Boy," and was rendered by Theodore Stoa. This pictured the heroism and love of country and freedom of the Poles, even the boy of extremely tender years, and how this boy preferred death to slavery to the Russians. This selection was awarded third place.

While the decisions of the judges were being taken Miss Ada Lachner rendered two beautiful piano solos.

The president of the evening was Roy Dynes, and the judges were Dean Dowling, Mrs. Amidon and Mr. Holt.

The prizes awarded are a gold medal and a silver medal. Mr. Manikowske and Miss Ladd will wear their joint property half a year each. Both these medals must be won twice to become the permanent property of the holder.

Beautiful Memorials Grace Library Walls

PARENTS OF PROF. HALL DONATE WORKS OF ART IN MEMORY OF SON.

Ten years ago last month the Agricultural college lost one of its most talented workers—Charles M. Hall, who was a graduate of the institution and professor of geology until the time of his death. His loss was most keenly felt, especially of course by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall, now of Minneapolis.

As a tribute to his memory and as an inspiration to the large body of students that come here from year to year, Prof. Hall's parents have given to the College Library, from time to time, portraits of some great men who have helped the progress of the world. On the walls of the reading room can now be seen the impressive picture of the famous Italian poet, Dante, and beautiful photogravures of the three leading English scientists of the nineteenth century, Darwin, Huxley and Spencer. In addition to these, a life size bust of Benjamin Franklin will also grace the library walls shortly.

In order that all may know in whose memory these mural decorations were given, a brass plate has been hung up bearing the following legend:

"The pictures in this room were donated by the parents of Charles M. Hall, who was professor of geology in this college which he loved so well, when he was called to his long home, Jan. 22, 1903."

On Thursday of last week Professor Weeks gave a talk before the students of the Moorhead High School on Vocational Guidance, and on the following day gave a paper on Waste in Education before the Northwest Central Teachers' Association which met at Detroit, Minn.

The Farm Husbandry team journeyed to Harwood and demolished the native team last week by a decisive score, and joy reigns within the camp.

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Tomorrow is the birthday of the great man, the one hundred and fourth anniversary. Also, this year marked the fiftieth anniversary of the emancipation proclamation, a half century of freedom from the bonds of slavery for the black race. We have now reached a point in time when we can view the character and life of the man in an atmosphere cleared of the smoke and fog of the dissensions and prejudices which surrounded him in his own day. Distance truly lends enchantment to the view, but it does so in this case by clarifying the medium of vision, that the eye may behold clearly and distinguish sharply.

Looking thus at the man Lincoln, we see a character which may well be the ideal of any American man. We need not extol him primarily because he rose from the lowliest ranks to a high position. Many American men have done the same, and many more will have the same success. That he gained an education under the most adverse circumstances and became a lawyer of great ability is to his credit, but is not unusual in a man of vision. Abraham Lincoln was a man of vision. Abraham Lincoln was a man whose vision transcended beyond all degree that of other men of his time. But that is not all, nor the distinguishing virtue of the man. Abraham Lincoln allowed this vision to dominate his very existence, his entire being. The freedom of the Negro, the equality of the races, was his passion when the institution of slavery was by nearly all thought to have the sanction of every authority, even religion. To thus set what must have seemed as a hare-brained private opinion against the sentiment of the entire community and nation, and never waver from it nor compromise with it; to carry this sentiment with him continuously through

the various stages of financial, political, and social success through which a man passes on his way through life, presenting it broadside to each new and wider circle of acquaintances; to preserve this vision as the dominating influence of life when the highest pinnacle of political success has been reached, and, tho it might seem like political suicide, to use the power of the position to accomplish the ideal; this constitutes the man Lincoln.

American political life has seen few such men, and the nation suffers the consequences. But it is the overpowering influence of the action of such men as Lincoln that keep the life of the nation from degeneration and death, and fortunate it is that every crisis brings forth at least one man whose life vision is at least approximate to that described. All honor to the man whose ideal is above that of the multitude, and who can keep that ideal thru life regardless of the forces that would destroy.

INTER-CLASS ATHLETICS.

The committee chosen to arrange a schedule for the Inter-Class Basketball league met and drew up a schedule. The schedule is arranged so that three series of games will be played on three successive nights per week for three weeks. The first series starts next Monday at 7:15 p. m. There will be two games staged each night, and it will be well worth your time to attend, as no admission fee will be charged. Elsewhere in this issue there is published the full schedule.

This is the time for all good students who have even the slightest amount of class spirit to come to the front. Co-eds are doubly welcome. Be there on the opening night and boost for your team. If your team does not play that night, then be there anyway and absorb the spirit which will be sure to be there.

It depends on the students whether or not inter-class athletics will prove to be a success. The men at the head of this movement have worked hard to make it successful, and are deserving of your support. The least you can do is to attend and get an evening's entertainment for nothing. Study a little harder during the day, and sacrifice a night down town for a night at the armory. Get some class spirit and you will be surprised to find how much interest you will take in these inter-class contests.

John Cross is again about the campus after an enforced absence of two weeks on account of measles and other complications.

Wallace Manikowske, assisted by a number of fellow wind-jammers, churned seventy pounds of butter at the creamery Saturday. Those assisting were Arthur Shunk, C. F. Guss, John Anderson.

Claude McQuillan, a brother of H. F. McQuillan, is visiting the school these days. Mr. McQuillan is a protege of Coach Reuber, having played football under his tutelage at Whitworth.

MY AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

(By "Sunny Jim" Newman.)

I have often pondered the idea of writing my autobiography; but, owing to my lack of education, I could not spell the dog-gone thing until the other day.

To start with, I was born at an early age; but soon became older. I was born in August, 1892. There had been a terrible drought that summer, and that may be the reason that I feel so dry now-a-days. Speaking of drought, wet countries are hard to find now-a-days. The year I was born, times were unusually hard; but I turned out to be a soft guy.

I came of fighting people, my father and three of my uncles whipped a sick man once. There was no music in the family; and I could never carry a tune. Why, once I fell down with a phonograph record once.

When I was ten years old, we moved to North Carolina; but the dues fell so heavy we moved back south. The people of North Carolina wanted us to move back, but we would not. My father got several letters asking him to come back and settle up there.

My cousin Bill was a high strung boy; he was strung to the top of a telephone pole. My uncle Tom was a leading citizen in his home town. I saw him one day leading a bunch out towards the horizon; he had stolen a hog.

The other day, me and my brother Henry was in Columbia, but the governor gave us a ticket home. While we were waiting for the train, I sent my brother out to get some cigars. He got a pocket full, and some of them were nearly whole. He was mad when he came back, for some scoundrel had stepped on one of his fingers. In the rush getting on the train, I saw a man hobbling along with two heavy suit cases, I wanted to help him, but I did not want to be thanked publicly; so I just quietly took his pocket book and watch just to thank him. He got mad as fire, and wanted to call a cop; but I wouldn't listen to him and just walked boldly around that train and left. My brother, Henry, got a better seat than I did; for I was near a hot box, and I was afraid the thing would attract attention.

I was engaged once, but my girl did not know it. When I decided to tell her, she smiled and patted me under the chin with an umbrella, and said, "Why, I wouldn't wipe my old shoes on you!" I spoke to her father the next day. He says, "Can you support a family?"

I says, "It's according to how many there is of you."

He says, "My daughter wouldn't marry you." I said "She told me that." And then her pa said he would, and he stated that same thing but I left as quick as possible. It was so dark I couldn't see five feet ahead of me. But I could feel one behind me, and every now and then I would locate it. I told the girl I otell her dad that my love for her was like a roaring rushing river. She told him, and he said "Dam it."

I married the girl but the funny part of it was that nobody congratulated me. I felt angry about it but I soon got over it. Now I congratulate the old man every time I see him.

I was engaged another time, but I came very near being disengaged. It was like this: I asked the theatre manager for a job; but he said the only one he had left for me was the singing of the last song at the end of the performance. I told him that I would be the man for that song and would guarantee that the show would close after I had finished. At the rehearsal I was fixing to sing; the manager had promised to tell me if my singing would do; when I had finished the second line, he shouted, "That'll do." He also clasped a claw hammer in one hand and started to commit suicide. I didn't want him to die so I ran behind the scenes. He couldn't face the hammer and he threw it away and it fell on my foot. He then tried to shoot himself but failed. The bullet whizzed by my ear; so I walked boldly out of my window down town. When I got down town I went to a circus, and could see almost as well as if I had been inside.

I was in the square meal town the other day, and while I was eating my dinner I broke one of my eggs. I had the waiter bring them raw in the shell. Well sir, when that egg broke, a young chicken stepped out and sang that touching little ballad entitled "I'd leave my Happy Home for You." I was fixing for a rough house but the proprietor came in and made me pay ten cents extra for chicken.

My friend Jack is working hard for the government now. He has a bodyguard all the time.

I am going to Georgia next week; I haven't enough money for my fare, but the Georgia governor is having extradition papers fixed out for me and I guess I can go on that. I'll finish this autobiography when I get settled permanently. —The Tiger.

After the dance Saturday evening, the members of the Alpha Mu and their lady friends, had a little social session in the fraternity room in the Mechanical building. Needless to say, a very enjoyable time was had.

WINS SILVER CUP.

Mr. Jansrud, the photographer, was awarded the silver cup at the M. W. Photographers Association in St. Paul recently.

The NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

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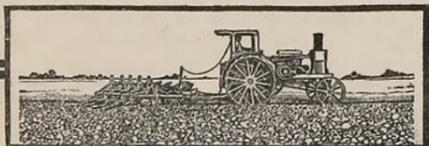
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SHORT COURSE DECLAM.

Friday evening of this week there is scheduled one of the public speaking events of the year which always draws a good audience, and is of interest to all the students, whatever their classification may be. This is the Annual Short Course Declamatory contest, which is open to all students in the Farm Husbandry, Power Machinery, Homemakers, and Short Courses.

A five dollar gold piece is offered as a first prize, and other prizes are offered for second and third places.

An instance of note in connection with this event is that residents of the college creamery have a decided tendency to win first place. Since the inauguration of the Short Course Declam two residents of this palatial apartment, Mr. Lancy Montgomery and Mr. Paul Schultz, have been successful in securing the gold piece. This year another denizen of the creamery is entered in the contest, and the event will be looked forward to with some degree of expectation.

Robert Peterson, winner of first place in last year's contest, will be the president of the evening. At this writing the Spectrum has not been able to secure the names of the judges, but the subjects of the orations and the order of the speakers is given below:

The Jury Address—Ray Markland.
His Mother's Sermon—Cassius Lawson.
Mr. Dooley on the End of Life—George Mehl.
Mr. Dooley on the Grip—Gilbert Floyd.
A Yankee DuLove—Ethel Roberts.
The Lay of the Madman—Charles Fowler.
Sockery Setting a Hen—Joe Radcliffe.

THOSE STUDENT ELECTIONS.

Some time ago there appeared in these columns an article by the editor suggesting a change in the method of electing the editor and business manager of the Spectrum, the board of public speaking control, the athletic manager, etc. Such a change would, in my opinion, be a very wise and needed move and a step in the right direction. The student council has a place, I believe, in the government of the student body and serves a very useful function where quick and centralized service is required. It is the governing body of the students' organization, but its power to say who shall and who shall not hold responsible positions should be removed. The students at large should have the right to elect those officers who are to hold the most important and highly honored positions. Every student is intelligent enough to discriminate between the capable and the incapable, and to know who are best fitted for the positions. It is unnecessary and foolish to place the power of election in the hands of only a few individuals who are supposed to represent the remaining majority, but who fail to do so under certain pressure and at their own wishes. There is a general public sentiment in favor of popular election of public officers. There is a sentiment in the suggested change of election common to the public sentiment, only on a smaller scale and of a local nature, but the arguments for the former are also common to the latter. It is only a step towards true local democracy and carries with it the principles for which progressivism has become famous. —G. W. G.

CONVOCAION.

C. W. Yerkes, who has been a missionary in China for the past ten years, and is now attending the missionary convention in the city, addressed the students at convocation Monday. He gave a graphic description of the great changes, both political and commercial, which have taken place in that empire in the past decade. Coal and iron mining are of such importance that pig iron is shipped to the United States and sold at a lower figure than the home product. In 1886 the first railroad of twenty one miles was built; now there are between seven and eight thousand miles managed and operated by native Chinese. The compass, the manufacture of paper, the printing press, and the making of gunpowder were all known in China for many years before these substances were used in other countries. Their educational system has been modeled after ours, and their revolution was largely influenced by a knowledge of what the thirteen colonies had done. It is important that the people of the United States should study the industries and resources of China so we may be able to meet her economically and commercially. There are at present seven hundred Chinese students in our colleges and universities. These young men will be the leaders of the next generation. It is therefore important that we give them our best ideals of Christianity to take back with them. Mr. Yerkes ended with a plea for more missionaries to carry on the work of Christianity in China.

At the Oregon A. C. there was recently opened the first class in goat judging, according to the Barometer. The class was one of short course men under the direction of Professor Potter.

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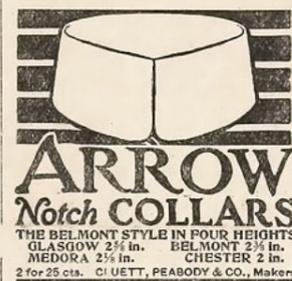
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Eulalia Blanco dined with the Plaths Sunday.

Ceres Hall girls are steadily attending the Grand.

Miss Mable Leet was very ill Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Marian Johnson was the guest of the Nilson sisters Sunday.

The Freshmen had their pictures taken Saturday. It was their second attempt.

Mable Ewen is now staying at the Hall.

Miss Ella Heidner spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Mr. Morris of Beach visited with his daughter Lucille last week.

Mrs. Thompson is now with Miss Nellie, who is ill at one of the hospitals.

Miss Frank is visiting her sister Mary.

Ruby Gibbins spent Sunday with her brother and sisters.

Miss Eulalia Blanco attended the Grand last week.

Dr. Frazer addressed the Y. W. girls in the parlors of the Hall Sunday.

Every one in the Home Economics department has been busy the past week making cakes, candies, and bread for the Special.

Miss Taylor didn't give us the quiz she promised last week.

PHILOMATHIAN.

Philo meeting was called for seven o'clock Friday. On account of the illness of one of the members of the debating teams, the debate on Capital Punishment was postponed until next Friday. Peter Homme and Walter Botsford gave short talks on current events, which were of interest. The greatest part of the time was taken up with extemporaneous speeches on a wide variety of topics. The Y. M. C. A. quartet favored the society with a well rendered and heartily appreciated selection.

At the business meeting George Manikowske was voted a member of the society. Herman Halland and Max Waldron were appointed a committee, and submitted the following resolution:

"Whereas, Our fellow society-member and much respected friend, Grover C. Edwards, having been recently bereaved by the death of his father, we, the members of the Philomathian Literary Society, are hereby resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to Mr. Edwards at this, the time of his sorrow and affliction, and offer our deepest consolation and regret that Death has removed his parent from the family circle, and we are further

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the society, that one copy be sent to Mr. Edwards, and that one copy be published in the Weekly Spectrum."

INTER-CLASS BASKET BALL SCHEDULE

We publish below the schedule for the Inter-Class basketball games. All scheduled games will be played at the time given unless some important event takes place on any of the dates. All postponed games must be played:

Feb. 17th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—High School vs. Freshmen.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Farm Husbandry vs. Juniors.

Feb. 18th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Power Machinery vs. Farm Husbandry.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—High School vs. Sophomores.

Feb. 19th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Juniors vs. Freshmen.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Power Machinery vs. Sophomores.

Feb. 24th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—High School vs. Juniors.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Freshmen vs. Farm Husbandry.

Feb. 25th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Sophomores vs. Freshmen.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—High School vs. Power Machinery.

Feb. 26th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Sophomores vs. Farm Husbandry.
8:30 to 9:30 p. m.—Juniors vs. Power Machinery.

March 3rd.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Freshmen vs. Power Machinery.

March 4th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—High School vs. Farm Husbandry.

March 5th.
7:15 to 8:15 p. m.—Juniors vs. Sophomores.

CASTALIA.

The regular meeting of the Castalian Literary Society was held Friday evening, Feb. 7th. The meeting was opened by an instrumental duet by Misses Nellie Ewen and Rosilla Ladd, "The Mill on the Floss." This was rendered in a very delightful and pleasing manner. Miss Auttie Walter gave a humorous reading in a very pleasing style which was immediately followed by an interesting talk on "The Business Girl" by Miss Glasier. The various types and characters of the business girl were taken up and discussed by her. The "Successful Business Girl's Life and Character" was next taken up and the reason why she is successful.

A short business session followed and the meeting closed with "The Yellow and Green."

STEADY INCREASE IN USE OF LIBRARY SHOWN

Mrs. McVeety Submits Interesting Report of Term's Work.

The following report of the librarian for the fall term has, unfortunately, been held over by us for some time on account of lack of space, but we are now able to print it and feel sure that it will be of interest to all those students who like to spend a part of their time among the many volumes of thought food to be found in our library.

There have been few new features of special interest in the working of the library during the past term; nevertheless the amount of work done for the students has increased noticeably, and the number of new books added to the library is larger than for any previous fall term.

The cataloguing of all new books recently added to the library is complete to date.

The departmental libraries have been checked during the past few weeks as time would permit; the number of books in these libraries numbers 1,454.

The number of books drawn from the library for home use during the fall term was 4,034, an increase of 1,791 over two years ago. Of this number 1,970 were periodicals, 225 agriculture, 185 general literature, 115 education, 125 collections, 238 fiction, 236 domestic science, 184 history, biography and travel and 756 miscellaneous. Aside from the above books which have been drawn from the library, a large number of magazines, pamphlets belonging to the Extension Department and books of various kinds have been used in the reading rooms by students and others, as well as a large number of books used for reference in departmental libraries.

The number of new books added to the library during the fall term was 234.

There are about two hundred newspapers of the state to be found in the library. These are received as exchanges for the bulletins and reports of the Experiment Station.

About 100 farm papers are also received as exchanges.

The list of periodicals to be found in the library numbers 95; this does not include the periodicals which are kept on file in the different departments.

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SATURDAY'S DANCE FINANCIALLY SUCCESSFUL

Plans had been laid for a dance to follow the basketball game of Saturday night, the proceeds to be added to the Special Train fund. When the athletic plans were changed it was decided to announce a dance for the evening nevertheless, and to charge an admission fee of fifty cents. The affair was a success beyond the expectations of the promoters of the financial campaign, for although no game was held, yet a large number of people assembled for the dance and nearly fifty dollars were secured for the Special, and the finance committee rejoices accordingly.

PROF. KEENE'S FATHER DIES.

Last week Professor Keene received the sad news that his father had died at the old home in the east. Prof. Keene left immediately on the sad mission, returning to Fargo Friday evening. The Spectrum joins with the students and faculty in expressing sympathy to Prof. Keene and his family.

The bill before the Montana legislature looking toward a consolidation of the higher institutions of the state was lost. A substitute bill was immediately introduced.

Ray Boyd was unable to go with the other band boys on the Special, on account of illness. This will materially weaken the cornet section.



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