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## INTERNATIONAL DEBATE AND STATE ORATORICAL SHOULD AROUSE MUCH INTEREST AND COMPETITION

### Public Speaking Board Amends Oratorical Rules And Introduces Preliminaries. Classes And Societies Get Busy At Once

After considerable correspondence the Public Speaking board has almost made definite arrangements with Manitoba Agricultural College and South Dakota Agricultural College for debates to be held here this winter. South Dakota has submitted a question but at present it has not been accepted and S. D. has been asked to submit another for our consideration. Winnipeg is a certainty and this debate should be interesting as the contest will be international and will probably be held on an international question.

The tryouts will be held at Ten o'clock on Saturday January 10th in the old chapel. Announcements regarding the tryouts will be given in the next issue of the Spectrum.

The rules for the oratorical have been amended so as to introduce the preliminary system. Many who would otherwise enter this contest have hesitated because they lacked confidence in their ability to such an extent that they did not dare or care to enter the big contest at once. This is now entirely overcome for no one need fear appearing at a class preliminary or a semi-final. It will afford an easy way of finding out whether they possess latent oratorical powers or not without embarrassment. The orations must not exceed 2,000 words and must be written by the contestant. The amendment follows:

#### I.

##### General Scheme.

The number of orators entering the final local oratorical contest shall be limited to six. These shall be chosen in a semi final contest in

which not more than twelve shall participate. These twelve shall be chosen in preliminaries held by each of the college classes. Each class shall not be represented in the semi-finals by more than 3 contestants.

#### II.

##### Class Preliminaries.

The class preliminaries shall be held not less than three weeks previous to the final contest. The exact date and time of these preliminaries and judges for these preliminaries shall be decided upon at a meeting of the Public Speaking Board and the Contestants of the respective classes. All contestants in these preliminaries will be required to hand their names to the Head of the Dep't of Public Speaking and to the President of the Board of Public Speaking Control 10 days before the date of preliminaries. One typewritten copy of the orations must be handed to the Head of the Department at the time of the preliminary.

#### III.

##### Semi Finals.

The Semi finals shall be held not later than one week after the completion of all the class preliminaries. The Judges and time shall be decided upon by the Board of Public Speaking Control. The Five rating highest shall be qualified to enter the final contest.

#### IV.

The Orations in the preliminaries and Semi final must conform to the rules governing those of the final.

## Faculty Resolves That Frats Must Be Governed

### FRESHIES NO LONGER ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP.

The following report was adopted at the last faculty meeting and speaks for itself. It is a move in the right direction and should receive the support of all parties concerned.

The committee, appointed to formulate a statement which shall set forth the attitude of the faculty, in regard to fraternities and other secret organizations within the student body, desires to report as follows:

In the past, the College has recognized the existence and encouraged the organization of fraternities and sororities, in that these bodies have been furnished with exclusive quarters and have been provided with light and heat without charge.

The committee considers it advisable to govern rather than restrain the organization of future bodies of this kind. To this end it is recommended:

That future organizations fraternities and sororities be required to submit for faculty approval their proposed constitutions and by-laws.

That all candidates for membership to fraternities and sororities must have attained an average standing of 80 per cent in scholarship.

That no student below the sophomore year be permitted such membership or to be pledged for future membership.

In the opinion of the committee, the college is not justified in attempting to furnish exclusive quarters to fraternal organizations.

The question of whether the coeds wish to issue a Special edition of The Spectrum during the winter term will be submitted at an early date.

The Ohio Banquet was an event of this week taking place Monday evening. Prof. Doneghue was a member of the committee in charge.

## Rueber's Basketball Pets Practice Daily Preparing For Winter Term Frolics

### FLUNKS STARE STELLAR MATERIAL IN THE FACE. COLLEY BUSY ARRANGING GOOD SCHEDULE

Basket ball now has the floor. Coach Rueber returned from his trip East entirely refreshed from his strenuous football season's work with a determination to send his proteges in the art of basket ball tossing thru such a series of practices that even hard luck cannot keep us from nabbing the state rag. About thirty men are out at present but this number will dwindle after the new class series begins. It is rumored that our chances will not be as good as would be indicated by the material that is out, for some of the most likely candidates are said to be on the danger line in the term's scholastic attainments. It is hoped that this is only rumor and that everyone will buckle down and make their class records such that there can be no question as to whether they will represent us this winter.

The schedule is gradually being fixed up and Student Manager Colley is hopeful of getting a trip to Minnesota and South Dakota. On Feb. 22 which is Founders' Day, the University will be sat down on, on their own floor and the process will be repeated here on Mar. 8. Our friends on the hill will be accommodated on Feb. 15 at F. C. and here Mar. 1st. A trip will very likely be made during the week of Grain Growers to the Twin Cities and after a swing thru the Sunnier Dakota the trip will end at Wahpeton. Such teams as Huron and St. Olaf College will be entertained enroute. Our exchanges from the conference schools seem to be very enthusiastic over this seasons prospects. No doubt the trip will prove interesting.

The Inter-Class League has now been formed. The representatives of the several classes met last week and the schedule for the use of the Armory floor was worked out. The schedule of games will be drawn up soon and if all the material in the classes turn out, nearly as much interest will be taken in these games as those of the first team. A pennant will probably be awarded to the winning aggregation.

The season proper will open after the holidays and it will then be up to the rooters to again come to the front and give an exhibition of boosting that will come up to the spirit of last fall.

## PHILOMATHIANS SUCCESSFULLY ATTACK THE RECALL IN ANNUAL JOINT FORENSIC CONTEST

### Baumgartel And Wije, Stars Of Respective Teams. Well Balanced And Experienced Team Won By 2--1 Decision

The Fifth Annual Joint Debate between the Athenian and Philomathian societies resulted in a two to one decision in favor of the Philomathians, who were represented by a team composed of Roy Dynes, Clarence Walter and Reuel Wije. Their opponents were Urban Ebner, Ethel Poole and Walter Baumgartel. The question for debate was Resolved, that the System of Recall now in use in the city of Los Angeles, California would be beneficial to American Cities of 100,000 inhabitants or over. The Athenians supported the affirmative and the negative was taken care of by the Philomathians. The judges were Smith Stimmel, S. S. Lyons and Attorney Lacy. Arthur Ogaard presided and Thomas Calnan was timekeeper.

The debate was hard fought thru-out and keenly contested. The question was very interesting and many of the arguments advanced were new to most of the audience. Mr. Baumgartel probably was the star of the evening. His attitude toward his audience and opponents was wholesome and his quick pointed retorts lively made him a general favorite. Mr. Wije showed more experience than any other and coolly took in the whole situation and made very good use of any advantage that was offered. Much of the credit for winning was probably due to his forceful presentation of the argument that the Recall is unnecessary in that the present means of expulsion from office are sufficient. The above men showed exceptional ability and they will be a factor in our coming Inter-

collegiate debates. Clarence Walters made a very good impression by the clear way in which he expressed himself. His delivery was good. Roy Dynes and Miss Poole were both good in the main argument but fell down a trifle in the rebuttal. Urban Ebner was probably the hardest worker on either team and was full of arguments. His delivery was not persuasive enough due to the fact that this is Eb's first appearance in this particular line. The Philomathian team was well balanced and the delivery was uniformly excellent. Although their arguments were not as strong as that of the affirmative, their presentation was much better. The winners were handicapped by arguing against popular opinion but they may have been overweighed by conditions which they took every advantage of.

Mr. Ebner opened the debate, after preliminary introductions by the chairman and presented a number of convincing arguments to prove that the recall is an advantageous system because it gives the power of municipal government into the hands of the people, thus upholding the constitution and the theory of true democracy.

Roy Dynes opened the discussion on the negative side in a very enthusiastic manner, and took for his subject the impracticability of the recall as adopted in Los Angeles, the speaker maintaining that the present methods of removing city officials to be quite as satisfactory as the Los Angeles system and further that ef-

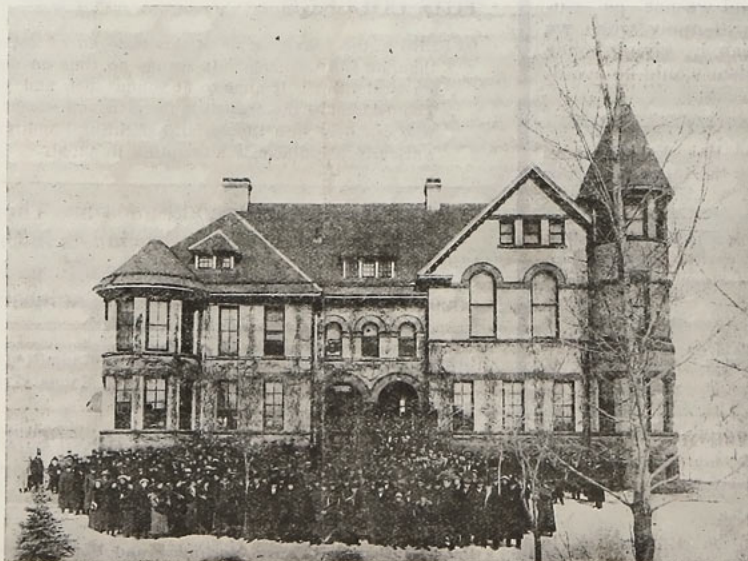
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## State Poet In Recital At Grand Next Sunday

### JIMMY FOLEY SHOULD BE HEARD BY ALL STUDENTS.

The speaker at the Grand next Sunday night is to be our own North Dakota poet, James W. Foley, of Bismarck. It is quite unnecessary to explain to a North Dakota audience who this man is, as he is so widely known thruout the state and Northwest. He is North Dakota's first and only poet of any especial fame, and his writings have appealed to the hearts of thousands. He is somewhat on the same order as Field and Riley, his poems being the expression of simple joys and home like conditions, enlivened with the ever appealing humor of human nature. Mr. Riley is a contributor to several magazines, and he has already written several volumes of verse, his dialectic and children's poems being especially noteworthy. Fargo people are fortunate in being able to hear Mr. Foley in a recital, and no doubt the theater will be filled. His subject will be "Old Friends in New Verses."

Dr. Bracken spoke before an attentive convocation audience Monday morning concerning public health. The doctor stayed over especially for the address as he believes that the younger people should be reached on this question.



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**DO IT NOW**

The time for preparation for the many Public Speaking contests in the Winter term has arrived. Among these contests are the Declam, the Oratorical and the Intercollegiate debates. This year so far has been a complete success in this line. The winter term is literally filled with opportunities for anyone who desires to better himself along public speaking lines. This should be a banner year as we have two Intercollegiate debates and the State Oratorical as events between other colleges which will all be held in the Armory.

The rules governing the oratorical have been changed and the college classes as well as the literaries should get busy and see to it that every organization is given its representation in the semi-finals at least. Use your influence and persuade your classmate or fellow literary society member to enter the preliminaries. A subject should be chosen at once and the coming vacation might well be spent in working on some parts of the oration. This year above all years we should be represented by the best talent in college. The contest is held here and if the A. C. is victorious the Interstate contest will come here also. Now why not make this a go? True it does take some time but the experience gained and the prizes offered will be ample remuneration for the extra outlay of time. The local contest offers prizes aggregating \$50, the state contest winner receives a watch that usually would retail at \$75. Read the new rules and begin at once whether you have had any previous experience or not.

**NARROWNESS**

A education should for one thing broaden the person who acquires it. Theoretically it should but practically it does not work out that way in many cases. For instance, the almighty profs., if education is to be a criterion, should be living examples of broadness and absolute fairmindedness. Are they? We all have our experiences with the one who thinks his subject is the only important one in the student's curriculum and metes out assignments accordingly. We all have encountered the one who holds his class overtime in spite of the fact that the student gets the blame from the next instructor for being tardy. Among others there is always the one who can see no need for work outside of the prescribed course and uses every effort to keep the student out of reasonable amounts of college activities. And that isn't all. The students aren't a bit better.

Student life is full of examples and instances where the students' attitude is anything but expansive in view. Petty troubles and personal grievances are allowed to enter in where the interests of the college are the only thing that should be considered. Student politics are governed more by what organization the candidate belongs or does not belong to, than by the real merit, ability and qualifications of the aspirant. The so-called barbs insist that no greasy Greek shall have any power while too many times the Greeks feel that they and they alone are qualified to wield the scepter. Then again in the Interclass or Intersociety contests many can see no merit in an opponent and will insist even after everything has been judged by disinterested persons that the winners should not have won. Should we not as students be governed by principles which we will apply when we leave college? By adopting a spirit of less bias, by giving honor to whom honor is due, much unfavorable criticism would be avoided.

Dr. Bell was at Valley City last Friday evening, and gave a lecture on Bird Study, illustrating it by a number of colored slides. The Barnes County Teachers' Institute was in session at the same time as the Farmers' Institute of the Better Farming Association, and the two bodies combined their session for this event. The meeting was held in the gymnasium of the Model School of the Normal, and was well attended, the room being packed with teachers, farmers, and farmers' sons.

Miss McCarthy has entered upon her duties as Stenographer to Dean Bolley of the Biology Department. She takes the place left vacant by the resignation of Clara Hennessey.

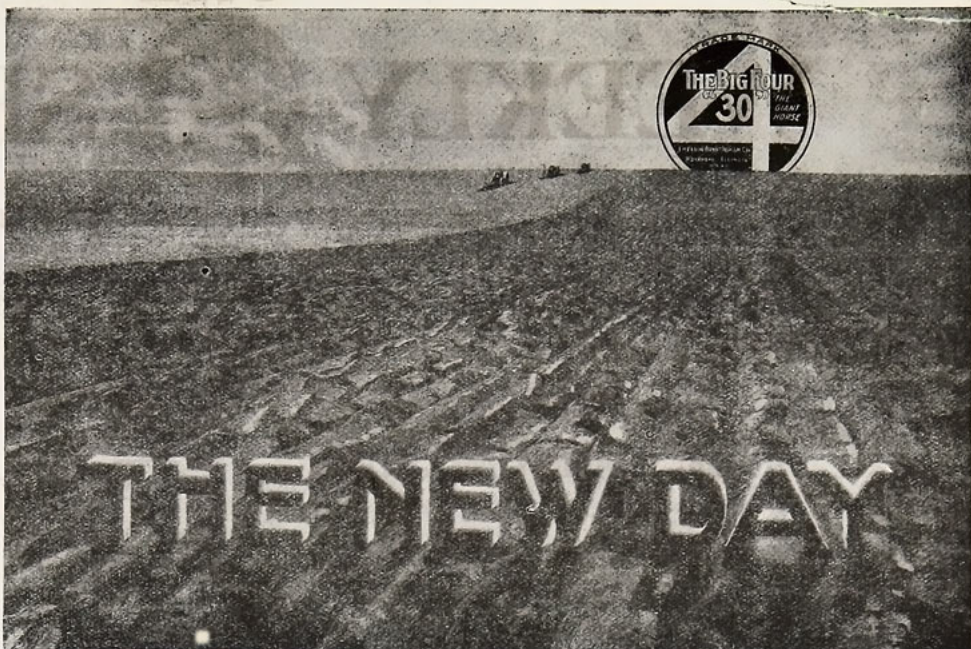
Maurice and Hal Pollock have been attending the International for a week.

Ole Neraal has put in an application for the position to be left vacant by Amos Ewen at the Argyle High School.

Clarence Waldron is busy mounting the 1912 collection of plants for the herbarium.

The last Cadet Hop of the term will be held Friday afternoon at the Armory at about Four.

A. C. Anderson still persists in hanging around once in awhile. He has just finished his work with the State Soil Survey.



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## ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

Edited by John B. Wentz '13

Charles Clark '08 spent Thanksgiving at his home in Fargo and from here went to Washington, D. C. where he will be located for the winter.

Words was received by A. C. friends a few days ago from Vern McCall '11 from Utica, Kansas.

It is understood that the Alumni will make an effort in the next few months to have one of their members placed on the next board of trustees. This has long been a custom at many of the older colleges and there is no reason why it should not be started at this institution at this time.

At the fall election Arthur W. Fowler '01 was reelected states attorney of Cass County.

Burke Critchfield '09 who is as-

sistant secretary of the Stallion Registration Board and is located here at the college, attended the International Live Stock Show at Chicago, last week.

Prof. G. W. Randlett '08 represented the extension department of this institution at the meeting of the American Association of Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations held at Atlanta, Georgia.

W. H. Mercer, '10 has been allowed a patent on a separating screen designed to separate wild oats from tame oats or from any other seed. It can be used in a common fanning mill and can be made at about the same cost as an ordinary zinc screen. The principle of this invention is based on the fact that wild oats will crawl on a rough surface if it is vibrated.

## Flickertail Flim Flams

By Flim Flam Jr.

(Heard in Dairying per E. W. who was expostulating on the Iodine treatment of Milk Fever with special reference to death rate) "This treatment has caused a marked decrease of morality of cows."

There will be no Thanksgiving recess next year according to the latest faculty action.

Why is Miss Harwood like Milwaukeee?  
Because she has made Budd wiser.

Kitty Keye (hastily getting out of Alice's lap as H. H. approached)  
"Pardon me if I had your place."

Some more Dairy Wisdom.  
Manikowski (disputing that bad butter could be purified by sedimentation)

"Well, isn't the specific gravity of flies lower than that of butter fat?"

After giving forth the customary

stale one about "guilty conscience" and "no quizz today," the microbiologist twirled his brand new labial flagellae and proceeded to extract knowledge from his "bright" class. Not meeting with favorable response in his first three attempts and suddenly hankering for a session with his assistant, with one grand sweep he gave the class a zero excused it and left saying \*\*,??:. The class is still expressing their disgust by the following !!\*-\*\*8?!!!

Mr. Stewart( at Intersociety Debate)  
"Why do you think that the Recall is officacious in exerting a salubrious repression upon the moral of public servants?  
"Smiles" Baumgartel (Quickly)  
"We are not walking encyclopedias but if the gentleman has a reasonable and sensible question which he can state in more simple and less complicated terms, it will be answered with pleasure.

Judges and occupations note;  
Then drive them out of business  
And be sure you get their vote.  
E. D. S. '13.

### ODE TO A HARE

D. G. Paxman, U. N. D.

To thy humble abode poor unfortunate hare,  
From the hunter and hound to your haunts in free air;  
How I long for your freedom, your joys, and your dares,  
But I share in your troubles, your pains and your cares.

Let me live in your spirit, your home, and your sphere,  
In the country where nature abounds with its cheer,  
Where the fox keeps her lair, and the wolf makes her den,  
Gime me this for my home with all passionate men.

Do away with your fanciful fevers of town,  
Give to me a straw hat and the working man's gown,  
To the country forever, Dakota's vast plain,  
In the land of prairie as king let me reign.

Like the hound in pursuit, like the hare in the chase,  
Let me back to the farm, to the home of my race;  
I have grappled with fame, but contented with Fear,  
Good Luck could not find me, ill fortune stood near.

## Engineer's Initiation

Dear Skin:—

They took four more into the Engineers last night and, believe me, John—, that was some little festivity. The gentlemen in charge are getting things down so fine that they can give you a very pretty little working knowledge of what a combination of the third degree and a section of Hades is like, inside of a half an hour. The victims were Messers. Beck, Caulkins, Kelly, and Hackett. Beck was sent thru the mill first and was made a victim to tone the appetites of the crowd and make it easier for those who followed (and who needed it so bad!) Poor old Hack got cold feet before they even started on him. The affliction was cured later in the evening by homeopathic treatment. He also swore off some of his bad habits before the evening was over.

Caulkins was never in love but he can sing—under pressure. He was rather sleepless and restless when they put him to bed and complained that the bed was uncomfortable. "I say, waitah, put a little salt on the next one."

Kelly has also never been in love—you remember I told you that this school was degenerating—but say, Bo, you ought to hear him sing. He makes a pretty fair yell leader, barring the fact that he is somewhat violent and covers too much ground.

The whole outfit were satisfied when they got thru, and convinced that they received their moneys worth. The room is in great shape and is sure classy, even if it isn't finished quite yet.

And that electrical show. If you don't come and bring all your relations and your "femme," I'll annihilate you, because it will be something that will be a crime to miss. You have three days to take it in in so there is no excuse for not coming. It's going to be the biggest thing this school year by a long show. More next time. Yours most disrespectfully,

BILL.

### DYNES ADDRESSES Y. NOV. 26

Prof. Oliver W. Dynes was the speaker at the Y. meeting Sunday afternoon, taking as his subject "The Association as a Factor in a College Man's Life". Prof. Dynes outlined the nature and scope of the work of the association, showing that it was of all college organizations the largest in point of numbers, the most wide spread, the most democratic, and the one which was most efficient in guiding the college man thru the perplexities of his early experiences in school. The Y. M. C. A. is different from the ordinary fraternities in its lack of the spirit of exclusiveness, and the snobishness which characterizes many, yet it is the greatest of all college fraternities. It is not national, but international, and is organized at nearly every college in this and other lands. When a young man leaves home and enters college, mingles with many men and hears many ideas; learns in the class room new theories and finds them in seeming opposition to what he has cherished from boyhood, then the Y. M. C. A., and the association of its members acts as a powerful balance wheel to prevent the student from casting overboard entirely his old ideals, while helping him to coordinate the old with the new.

The meeting was the best attended of the season, over fifty fellows having assembled to hear this talk, and all agree that it pointed the way out of many of the difficulties confronting especially the new student.

The Athenian Literary Society will present the program for this weeks meeting of the Civic Center Club in the Unitarian Building downtown. The winning playlet of the festival, "First Come, First Served" will be the leading number. Students are as usual invited to attend.

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The class in Dietetics entertained themselves at a Breakfast last Thursday and at a dinner the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, the purpose was to determine the dietetic food value of the food eaten. They are convinced and now agree with popular authorities that the average American eats too much.

The girls in Domestic Science VI are still making candy, a hundred and more varieties have turned out successful. At present they are at work preparing Xmas boxes. The candies filling these boxes will surpass by far anything ever tasted by anyone in the county. Parisian Sweets a specialty.

The Department is beginning to plan the exhibits for the Grain Growers Convention in January.

Some of the hats made in Millinery this term may be occasionally spied upon the Campus.

The girls in Sewing VI who have finished their dresses are being taught a few different kinds of embroidery stitches.

There will be a joint Y. W. and Y. M. Reception Saturday night for paid up members only.

Miss Beatrice Alm discussed the "Bright Side of Life, at Y. W. C. A. meeting last Wednesday. Miss Guernsey of the Y. W. down town also spoke to the girls a few minutes.

The next Y. W. C. A. meeting will be Recognition meeting, all new members please try and be present. Wednesday evening 6:45 in the Ceres Hall Gym.

Gentlemen are requested not to fuss in the corridors of Ceres Hall.

Miss Leila Ewan spent the past week with her cousin Miss Nellie Ewen.

Miss Clara Gunness was the guest of Miss Asta Mikkelsen Sat. and Sunday.

The Misses Louls and Agnes Faye and Hilda Kelley of Crystal will be entertained Sunday by Miss Olive Porter.

Miss Elsie Stark and Olive Porter were the guests of Miss Barbara Heidner Sunday at dinner.

Mr. Synder was the guest of his sister, Miss Bertha Snyder Sunday at dinner.

Mr. Erickson visited his daughter, Alma the past week.

Miss Rhoda Fosberg was the guest of Mrs. Neil Sunday.

Miss Alma Johnson spent Sunday in Moorhead.

Mr. John Morgan was the guest of Miss Boletha Frojan Saturday afternoon.

Miss Otis Harwood entertained Miss Louise Palond Sunday at dinner.

Miss Armstrong visited the Petrie sisters last week.

Miss Thordis Eydolfson was taken to St. Lukes hospital Saturday.

Sadie Kohler, a former student is seriously ill at St. John's hospital.

There was a record breaking attendance in Ceres Hall parlors Sunday p. m.—9 couples.

The Misses Leet, Blanco, Mikkelsen, Morris, Grest and Hume were the guests of the Messrs Guy, Botsford, Lunde, Gibbens, Pile and Dodds at dinner Sunday. The party was delayed a half hour because Mr. Botsford couldn't find his tie.

**CONVOCATION MONDAY, DECEMBER THIRD.**

Monday being Home Economics day at the A. C. Dean Stoner gave an address on the Life and Work of Ellen H. Richards, founder of the home economics movement. The history of Miss Richards' life is very interesting and it is almost beyond belief that one woman could have accomplished so much. Her published writings alone numbers over one hundred. Miss Stoner explained the purpose of the Ellen H. Richards Memorial Fund. This fund of \$100,000 is to be raised under the auspices of the American Home Economics was her teacher, advisor and friend. This helped to make Miss Stone's address very personal and interesting.

Donald Dyke is about the campus reviewing the past with his brethren. He is now located at Grafton.

**PHILOMATHIANS SUCCESSFULLY ATTACK THE RECALL IN ANNUAL JOINT FORENSIC CONTEST**

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ficient service could not be secured from a city official if he had the recall forever hanging over his head, that he would be fearful of instituting his system of government because certain people might oust him from office.

Ethel Poole continued the debate for the affirmative claiming that the recall was desirable because it is not an expensive process but rather saved the people vast amounts of money, citing examples in the cities of Seattle and Los Angeles to prove her points. Miss Poole further stated that the recall encouraged good men to seek office. She also claimed that the recall was successful wherever it had been tried.

Clarence Walter proved the following points in a very persuasive manner; That the recall was unjust because "no definite reasons are required to be placed on the petition for recall" the minority can be readily converted to a majority. The recall handicaps a good official, it offers no adequate opportunity for an official to vindicate himself and that it degrades city officials to the rank of menial servants. The "doctor" was at his best that evening and showed himself to be a debater of ability.

Walter Baumgartel, concluded the direct argument of the affirmative by recapitulating the arguments of his team and strengthening his case with much new material. "Smile's" quick wit and persuasive power made him a great favorite with the audience.

Ruel Wijs, the best orator of the negative team, concluded the debate emphasizing the fact that the recall is unnecessary as the present system of municipal impeachment is even more satisfactory than the Los Angeles recall system. Mr. Wijs showed an excellent stage presence and showed the effects of much previous debating experience.

The rebuttal was spirited on both sides, each team having it "nip and tuck" for half an hour, both sides having decidedly the better of the question. Up to the time of going to press we have been unable to ascertain whether it requires 20 or 25 per cent of the voters signatures on the petition. We are thinking of offering a substantial reward to the successful one to find the real truth.

After the debate Miss Eugenia Ruff rendered a very pleasing vocal solo at the conclusion of which the audience was invited to ask questions of the debaters. This proved a highly entertaining and instructing phase of the debate, and it is to be hoped that this "stunt" will be continued.

The cup which has been in the hands of the Athenians for one year, was then presented to the Philomathians by the President of the evening after the decision of 2—1 had been announced. The decision has met with favor as the winners undoubtedly had a very well balanced team. The debate was easily the best joint debate held here. It is now a contest worthy of larger institutions.

On Monday evening all the ex-foot ball captains, the captain elect and the faculty manager were guests of Coach Rueber at a banquet given at the Comstock in Moorhead.

The guests were Bert Haskins capt. '09, "Polly" Foss capt. '10, "Dutch" Schroeder capt. '11, Edgar capt. elect 1913 and faculty manager Keene.

Numerous toasts and short talks were given and a most enjoyable evening was spent in reviewing the past, and summing up future foot ball prospects at the A. C.

Jack Nolet's accumulation of ping pongs has become so large that his friends are fearful that he will need a trained nurse after next Saturdays session in the Mu room. Applications for the position will be received with pleasure according to Jack.

Mrs. Shepperd attended a Country Life Conference and read a paper on "The Management of Boys." She is especially prepared on such information having had so much experience in their training thru motherly relations.

**AMONG OUR PREPS.**  
By Mary Gibbens, '16

Prof. Smith urges all the H. S. students to pay strict attention to the notice of the examinations in this issue of the Spectrum.

**Castalia.**

The Castalian Literary Society met Friday night in the Music Hall. The meeting was called to order early and the following program rendered: Castalian Song ..... Society Roll Call—Secretary's Report ..... Fren Briscoe Music ..... Ada Lachner Reading ..... Esther Anderson Miss Jenson then gave Mrs. Ellen H. Richards' biography and illustrated to the girls how they might improve some of their opportunities along many different lines. "Kindness" was the special that she wished to impress each girl with. Everyone enjoyed it very much and each found a message to take home with them. The next was a duet by Fern Briscoe and Stella Monson which was rendered in a very pleasing manner. Miss Kaufman then entertained the society with a humorous declamation, after which Nellie Ewen gave an instrumental Solo. A Reading by Miss Parsons followed and the meeting closed with "Yellow and Green" by all.

**Y. M. C. A.**

Rev. F. A. Stever was the speaker at men's meeting Sunday afternoon, and spoke from the subject "Loyalty vs. Popularity". He based his talk on the story of Daniel who remained loyal to his principles and friends in spite of opportunities to obtain popularity. The subject was handled in a heart-to-heart talk, and was very impressive, being well received by the fellows there gathered. The Quartet sang "Some Day The Silver Cord Shall Break."

The speaker for next Sunday is to be Mr. Rothwell, of this city.

**Agricultural Club**

The meeting of Friday evening was called to order by President Else, and after the reading of the minutes of the former meeting the following program was rendered: Co-operation ..... R. B. Arneson Reading "I'd Rather Be" ..... Robert Hurtt Grasses and Forage Crops for North Dakota ..... Morton Sherdahl

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The pictures of the Junior and graduating classes have been mostly taken. A number of Seniors have neglected to have their pictures taken and this will hold up the management to a considerable extent. The earnest cooperation of all individuals and organizations is necessary for the success of the book.

All organizations desiring space in the 1914 Agassiz must contract for same before the close of the present term. This is imperative and should be looked after at once.

Mundy Benson, a senior at the State University, was a college visitor last week, with him was Mr. S. E. Peterson, a bonanza farmer from Upham, N. D.

McQuillan is extravagant in his praise of the cadet hops. Mac says they are a blessing and should be continued.

Fraternity candidates are exceedingly busy preparing for the worst which is yet to come



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Dean Shepperd and wife returned from their months vacation in the South on Thursday of last week. Most of their stay was spent in Florida among Allogonquins, Allamakees, alligators, and Anglo-saxons that had emigrated from Africa. On their return trip they spent a week at the International where the Dean took part in the arrangement of the exhibit.

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**EDUCATIONAL**

Dr. Max Batt gave the regular Tuesday afternoon Educational Lecture on Nov. 27. His subject was "The Place of the Library in the School Curriculum."

The system of card index, which originated in libraries and on which the Library Bureau in Chicago worked for years, was explained. This system is now used by all business houses. 25 or 30 years ago a library might have been a treasure house and the librarian the watch dog for all the good they were to the people. Now the library is a sort of reservoir that supplies energy to other departments. Librarians are now organized and Library science has developed until today many of the Universities and Colleges have a course for librarians. Some of these courses require a B. S. degree for entrance.

The American Library Association established the Decimal Classification now used by all the American Libraries as well as some in Europe.

A Library Commission is maintained by each state and has for its functions:

1. Supervision of library work of state.
2. Traveling libraries.
3. Clearing houses for Magazines and periodicals.
4. Training of Librarians.

The A. L. A. Catalog has been compiled by a committee which went over all the published books and cataloged the best ones.

The Educational Lecture for Dec. 3 was given by Haxby Architect. His subject was "The Architecture of School Buildings." He discussed the lighting, heating and ventilation of High Schools, Graded Schools and Consolidated Schools. He also took up the position and kind of staircases and halls, the advantages and disadvantages of different kinds and in case of ure. Plumbing and disposal of sewage was taken up and the advantages of the septic tank were shown.

**O U GIRLS!**

"Tell me, pretty maiden, what has happened to your face, for it doesn't look to me just like the old familiar place. There is surely something lacking, and I think it is your nose while your lamps are both in mourning and your ear is like the rose. Was the damage done by some foul wretch with murderous intent, or did it happen in some fearful railway accident?"

The maiden answered sweetly, "Nix on that noise, my child, and beat it to the tall uncut, because you're surely wild. Back up, you're in the wrong stall, kid, your trolley's off the wire, your dream box holds a vacuum, put on another tire! It was no railway accident that mussed my phiz this way; and as for foul assailants, I can tick them when they're gay. I play a forward on the team from our sorority; the season's on in basket ball; now do you follow me? Last night we beat the Kappa Phis, they never had a chance, and that explains the scars you see upon my countenance. But if you come across a girl who looks like she'd been struck by a railway train, a pile driver, and an automobile truck: with a broken arm, some fractured ribs, and a dislocated knee—you can bet your checks on Obak she's the girl that guarded me."

Here let us pause to state that the foregoing conversation is but the product of the writer's wild imagination; besides, the schedule for the girls won't start until next week, and so we cannot rightly say we know whereof we speak. But, anyway, at 8 o'clock the girls now go to bed, and they eat raw meat to make themselves ferocious. It is said; and, though the battle will be screened from our corrupting sight, we venture to predict that it will be a manly fight.—Ex.

Senior H. S. Class held a meeting and decided to have individual pictures taken instead of the usual pictures.

Jamestown College is making an effort to join the State League of Oratory.

What do you think of the new vacation rules? Call out the militia and quell the rebellion.

**COMPOSTING, SUBJECT OF AN EXPERIMENT FROM BRITISH EXAMINATION PAPERS**

A great many students and other people are inquiring regarding the experiment which is being put on the ground near the old creamery building. The experiments that are now being conducted represent carefully prepared compost heaps made from fresh barnyard manures. The manure has been hauled out from day today at different times about the same as a farmer would be able to do the work. When the piles reached a proper height, wire strands to which were attached bundles of diseased wheat straw, roots and stubble, properly numbered, were imbedded in the manure.

Unlike some advocates of handling manure, Professor Bolley believes that proper composting is yet one of the safest and surest ways of getting full benefit of the manure. The amount of nitrogen lost by way of ammonification being more than compensated for by the fact that all of the old straw, stubble and other rubbish has been thoroughly reduced and incorporated in such a mass as to make them suitable for application on the land. At the same time it is made free from weeds and the disease producing organisms.

There are three of these compost heaps under test,—one for the study of wheat problems, one for the study of flax problems and one to act simply as a check on the other two.

Mr. Manikowski showed his loyalty to Philomathia by entertaining the winning debate team at six o'clock dinner at the Waldorf Saturday evening.

The Philos will feed at the Copper Kettle Saturday evening.

The Crack Squad are ordering their new uniforms which will be used for the first time at Grain Growers in January.

Due to Circumstances over which we have no control this issue is even later than usual.

The program at Monday's convocation will be given over to Xmas entirely. You should not miss it.

Members of the Spectrum Staff are asked to hand in as much material by Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings as is convenient. Unless this is done tardiness in getting out each issue will continue.

Outdoor drill was the order Monday. Not so bad for N. D. in Dec.

The last Cadet hop of the year Friday at 4:00.

Miss Yorke will read the "Christmas Carol" Monday at convocation.

Enter that Declam at once.

The scene "In the Land of the Future" in "Blue Bird" failed to disclose that new Agricultural Building.

The Japanese Art exhibit at Ceres is interesting. See it Thursday.

Doryland's new oath:—"So help me Theodore Roosevelt."

Better late than never. This shall never happen again.

Al'co Tibert entertained relatives Sunday.

It's all right to be a live wire, but it is not necessary to scorch everybody with whom you come in contact.—Ex.

**The Modern Girl**

Maud Muller, on a summer night, Turned down the only parlor light.

The judge, beside her, whispered things Of wedding bells and diamond rings.

He spoke his love in burning phrases, And acted foolish forty ways.

When he had gone Maud gave a laugh And then turned off the dictagraph.

—Milwaukee Sentinel.

The earth is an absolute spheroid. Lord Raleigh was the first man to see the Invisible Armada.

Shakespeare fourded "As You Like It" on a book previously written by S'r Oliver Lodge.

Tennyson wrote "In Memorandum."

Louis XVI was gelatined during the French Revclution.

Gender shows whether a man is masculine, feminine, or neuter.

An angle is a triangle with only two sides.

Geometry teaches us how to bisex angels.

Parallel lines are the same distance all the way, and do not meet unless you bend them.

Horsepwer is the distance one horse can carry a pound of water in an hour.

Gravit'ion is that which if there were none we should fly away.

A vacuum is a l rge empty space where the Pope lives.

A deacon is the lowest kind of Chris'ion.

Algebraical symbols are used when you don't know what you are talking about.

A renegade is a man who kills a king.

In Ind'a a man out of a cask may not marry a woman out of another cask.

The Salic law is that you must take everything with a grain of salt.

The Zodiac is the Zoo of the sky, where lions, goats and o'her animals go after they are dead.

The Pharise's were peop'e who like to show off their goodness by praying in synonyms.

An abstract noun is something you can't see when you are looking at it.—The Tiger.

**Some Odd Mixup**

It's a telephone story again. A few evennigs ago a young man had occasion to call up his lady love, and for once he got through to her without delay.

"Hello!" he whispered softly. "Yes, came the reply. Is that you George?"

"Are you alone dearie?" "Yes darling."

"I wish I were there! If I were you, do you know what I would do?" "No, George, I can't guess."

Just then the lines became sadly mixed, and what the sweet young thing heard was something like this "Well, I'd pull her ears back until she opened her mouth, and then I would drop a lump of mud in it. If that didn't answer, I'd give her a sound thrashing."

Amy and George don't speak now when they see one another and a certain farmer, who was talking to a Vet. doctor, about a balking mare, wonders why he was advised to "put his arms around her neck and whisper sweet, endearing words into her ears."—Exchange.

**The Grammar of Girls**

A girl is a half-educated animal who has learned to conceal her ignorance by certain useless accomplishments.

She is a colloquial noun, an objective pronoun, a transitive verb, an oscillatory adverb, a qualitative adjective, a doubtful article, an inconstant conjunction, a frequent interjection and sometimes a past perfect participle, and more often a future perfect.

She is of the feminine gender, except a suffragist, and is in any tense.

"A woman came into the hospital the other day and she was so cross-eyed that the tears ran down her back."

"You couldn't do anything for her could you?"

"Yes we treated her for bacteria." —New York American.

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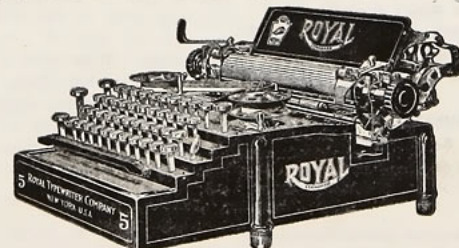
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Reflections from  
other Colleges  
R. H. Drummond, '15

At Carleton there has been some criticism of the custom of granting the "C" to men who have played for four years and have almost, but not quite, made the team. This custom is one that recommends itself to all fair minded persons as the recognition of the "scrub", the man who makes the team what it is, is too little that of and too little expressed.

At Oregon U the minutes of the student council are made public and published in the school paper. The idea is, that as the student council is the expression of the will of the student body, the students ought to be in possession of everything that transpires at the meetings of that body.

Many of the colleges are erecting college club rooms for the use of all the students. They are usually outfitted with billiard and pool tables, card tables, checkers, chess and other apparatus for social games. These club rooms seem to be working out well and are a large factor in cementing the students closer together.

Bang—Who threw that brick?, the Y. W. C. A. girls at Whittier have given "FUSSING" the G. B. They say it interferes with study hours and keeps the various athletic squads from the much needed training. The movement is condemned by a large number of co-eds and en masse by the male students.

Somewhat like the above is the situation at Mississippi, only there it is the faculty that is doing the

horrible crime. They expelled sixty students for revolting against a faculty ruling prohibiting conversation with co-eds during study hours. The state governor was called in and upheld the faculty. A college that cannot handle its own affairs without the interference of the state government has our sincerest sympathy.

Nothing keeps a man sick so long as a pretty trained nurse.

More letters. At Kansas U., letters are to be granted to co-eds who excel in athletics. Whoop snacks! Now the letter men won't have to lend their sweaters all the time.

Quite a few of the colleges are abolishing training tables in spite of the fervent protests of the coaches.

At Harvard, Yale and several other schools the seniors act as advisors for the freshman, especially in matters of school customs and traditions. Each student when he registers is assigned two or three Seniors as his advisors. The plan has proved to be a big help to Freshmen in aiding them to adjust themselves to school traditions.

California women have voted to do away with the wearing of flowers at formal parties.

An article in the Butte Miner states that the students who ducked one of the student body in the frog pond for ta'bearing are awaiting the action of the faculty in some suspense. He may have had the ducking coming but, oh you morning after!

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**Education.**  
Mr. Richard Heyward of Grand Forks, State High School Inspector, will give a lecture Tuesday, Dec. 10th, at 3:30 P. M. in the Physics Lecture Room on Success and Failure in High School Teaching.

**Art.**  
The Art Department of the Agricultural College, under the supervision of Mrs. Mae Douglas Rindlaub, will conduct an exhibit and sale of Pottery and Japanese Prints at Ceres Hall on the afternoons of Dec. 11—12 and 13. At the same time there will be made a display of work in Enameled China, a new and unique style of china decoration that has recently attracted a great deal of attention in art circles. The articles used in this display are not on

sale but represent the work of Mrs. Dorothy Warren O'Hara of New York City, who has loaned the collection for the college exhibit. All who are interested in home decorative materials are cordially invited to attend.

SCHEDULE OF EXAMINATIONS

The examination for this term will come as follows:

Time	Wed.	Thurs.	Frid.
Morning	8—9	10—11	1:30
Afternoon	9—10	11—12	2:30

This will give 4 hours for each subject, altho the examinations will probably not exceed 3 hrs. for 5 hrs. classes. Minor subjects (courses of 3 hrs. or less) meeting at same hours will be arranged for by holding examinations in the subject meeting Mondays the first 2 hrs. of the period and the other minor in the last 2 hrs. of the allotted period.

**Y. M. & Y. W. Joint Social**  
The term is now nearly over, and the two Christian Associations are planning to hold a final entertainment Saturday evening of this week for their respective members. The Spectrum has not been apprised of any special plans for the social, but it is intended to remember the approaching Christmas season in the festivities. The members of the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. will keep Saturday night in mind, and look forward to it with a great deal of anticipation.

Miss Nevada E. Evans has succeeded Mr. Campbell as assistant in the seed laboratory. Miss Evans is a graduate of the University of Minnesota. She has specialized in botany and zoology, having received her Masters degree in plant pathology. She comes here as an experienced seed analyst, having had charge of the seed laboratory at Northrup King & Company of Minneapolis for over a year, and also having had considerable work in seeds at the University. Professor Bolley could not have secured a more capable person than Miss Evans for the position, and we welcome her to the institution.

A large number of the students are attending the performances of Maeterlinck's Blue Bird this week.

The Grain Growers Convention program has now practically been arranged for and Pres. Worst has succeeded in obtaining excellent talent to speak before the large audiences that always attend this annual convention in January. A list of the most prominent speakers will appear in our next issue. The Band and the Crack Squad will appear on separate nights and are working hard in preparation for their part in the program.

At a recent meeting of the freshman, a motion was passed, moving that a party be held before Christmas, but the class dues seem to be so slow in coming in that it is likely to be called off.

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## SOCIAL EVENTS

By Eugenia Ruff, '13.

### A. C. Girls Entertain

On Saturday afternoon, Nov. 23, the girls of the Agricultural College, assisted by the lady faculty members gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Associated Charities. Invitations were given to the girl students and faculty members of Fargo College, Moorhead Normal, Concordia College, Fargo High School, and Moorhead High School to come and pay their fifteen cents admission, and then enjoy a pleasant afternoon. The only gentlemen present were Dr. Putnam and the College Orchestra members. There were several orchestral selections, and then Miss Grasse delighted all with a couple of vocal solos to orchestral accompaniment. Later the Treble Clef Club rendered two numbers very creditably. The last number of the program was a reading, "The Little Colonel" by Miss Yorke. As an encore she gave a very fetching selection in Southern dialect. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in dancing, which seemed to be enjoyed as much as if there had been gentlemen present. Delicious punch was served between dances. All had a merry time and hope the affair may be repeated in the future.

Since Mrs. Marshall was compelled to go to Chicago on account of the illness of her son, Verne, the girls of the Castle have secured Mrs. L. Freeman, formerly of Fargo, as Mrs. Marshall's successor as chaperone.

Miss Marion Alm of Hankinson was the guest of the Castle during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Olga Gilbertson of Coopers-town was the guest of her sister, Gunhild, during the Thanksgiving holidays.

### The Castle Entertains

At 6:30 on Thanksgiving Day, the Castle girls entertained several friends at a dinner party. The decorations were in red and green. Carnations graced the center of the table.

The Delta Phi Beta sorority announces the pledging of: Genevieve Grover, Katharine Ladd, Rizpah Ladd, Alice Lough, Lucile Morris, and Laura Taylor.

### Mrs. Gilbert Entertains

At Ceres Hall, Thanksgiving Day was duly and very beautifully observed. The feeling of "left behind" vanished when the guests entered the dining room doors, and were seated at tables splendidly decorated with carnations and ferns, fruits, nuts, candies and Thanksgiving greeting cards. True to the principles laid down in the service of a meal, it was attractive, palatable, and daintily served. Those present at this dinner were the young women and young men who board regularly at the Hall, their invited guests, members of the faculty, visiting friends in the city, and representatives of the Young Men's Christian Association of the College and City of Fargo. When all were seated Mrs. Gilbert requested the reading of President Taft's Thanksgiving proclamation. It was read by Mr. Mendenhall. Governor Burke's Thanksgiving message was next read by Miss Nelson. Then came the dinner of roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cream peas, buttered rutabaga, celery, pickles and olives, cranberry jelly, white and brown bread, oranges, nuts, grapes, candy, raisins, nut cake, fruit cake, apple pie, pumpkin pie, cheese, vanilla ice cream, preserved strawberries and coffee. It was indeed a large feast beautifully and bountifully prepared under the supervision of Mrs. Gilbert who spared no pains in developing the pleasures of the day.

When the meal was finished, one of the guests arose and gave the signal to all to drink to the health and prosperity of Mrs. Gilbert. After singing the Yellow and the Green, at the invitation of Mrs. Gilbert, all went to the parlors where the remainder of the afternoon was spent in singing and playing of games. As the year goes on there will be other enjoyable occasions equal to those of the Foot Ball Banquet, Hallowe'en and Thanksgiving, which have contributed largely to the fullness of life in Ceres Hall.

### Alpha Mu's Dance

During the Thanksgiving holidays, the Alpha Mu fraternity gave a very pretty dancing party for their pledges and Alumni at the Sons of Norway Hall. A short german was worked into the program using the emblem of the fraternity, the arrow head, as the foundation for the figures and favors. At 10:30 a light luncheon was served. President and Mrs. Worst, Professor and Mrs. Ladd, and Professor and Mrs. Keene were the chaperones for the evening.

### Five Captains Have Dinner

Coach Reuber entertained five captains of the Agricultural College football team at a banquet Monday evening, Dec. 9. It was served at the Comstock Hotel in Moorhead. Covers were laid for Coach Reuber; Bert Haskins, Captain '09; "Polly" Foss, captain '10; "Dutch" Schroeder, captain '11; Edgar Olson, captain '12; Grover Edwards, captain-elect for '13.

### Y. W. C. A. Cabinet Entertained

On last Saturday afternoon, the Fargo College Y. W. C. A. cabinet members and Advisory Board entertained the Cabinet and Advisory members of the Y. W.'s of the Agricultural College and the Moorhead Normal. A short program was presented in the dormitory parlor of Fargo College, and then all proceeded to the Y. W. C. A. room where tables were set for four. Here a delicious supper was served. Later speeches were given by each person concerning the work of her particular department. Many valuable ideas were exchanged. These joint meetings are of much benefit to all and are to be greatly encouraged.

### Band Dance

Saturday evening witnessed the very brilliant and successful annual Band dance. About eighty couples were in attendance, the band boys being there in full uniform. The programs were very neat and elicited much praise. The decorations were very striking and elaborate, consisting of bunting of the national colors. On the south side of the balcony were the enormous letters N. D. A. C. fashioned in bunting, while directly across the hall was spelled the word "Band" in similar manner. The windows, doors and orchestra stand were draped with bunting, while two bowers were beautifully draped off in the two west corners of the hall. The music was furnished by Putnam's Orchestra with the exception of three selections rendered by the band, which was heartily encored. Delicious frappe and wafers constituted the refreshments, and the entire assemblage departed filled with hearty praise for the band boys.

Dr. and Mrs. Putnam entertained at dinner Thanksgiving for a number of friends among them being Dr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. and Miss Young and Harold Bachman.

Miss Olga Gilbertson of Coopers-town High visited with her sister and friends during the Thanksgiving vacation.

## Turkey Feed Enjoyed By Y. M. C. A. Members

On the night of November 28, Thanksgiving Day, occurred the third annual Y. M. C. A. Thanksgiving feed, with all of the good eats and splendid jolly program for which this event has become famous in the short period of its existence. Upwards of thirty fellows gathered to drive dull care and homesickness away, and were not disappointed. The Copper Kettle Inn served one of its justly famous spreads, and the guests who responded to the toasts were unusually happy in their remarks.

President Mendellhall acted as toastmaster, and told a true turkey story which somewhat dulled his stainless reputation for honesty. Following this he began to carve a turkey and hand out the pieces.

Dr. Bell was given the Head, and responded in his wellknown hearty fashion. David Sonquist was given the Heart, which he dissected with great care. Prof. Dynes took an airy flight on the Wing, while Thomas Jackson stood fast on the Leg. Williams was called upon rather suddenly, and thrown the Wishbone, from which he drew a picture of the Association in its future days.

The Quartet, which has by this time made a large place for itself in the college, rendered a number of selections, and the assembled company gathered around the piano and sang a few songs before breaking up for the night.

## Vacation Rules

After listening to the statement of students called before the Discipline Committee at their meeting on Wednesday, December 4th the committee find that in many instances the students seem to be unfamiliar with the rules governing their conduct at the college and, therefore, the committee beg to call your attention to the following rules for students guidance in matters of this kind:

1. All students not living at home with their parents must secure permission for absence from the college, whether it be during the college days, during a holiday, or for any other period of time.
2. Such permission for leave must be filed with the registrar.
3. Students living in Ceres Hall must secure permission from the registrar through the matron.
4. Girls rooming or boarding away from Ceres Hall must secure said permission from the registrar through the Dean of the Women's Department. All other students shall make application for leave of absence direct to the secretary.
5. Requests for permission to leave the college should be asked for several days in advance and full information given for the guidance of the registrar in granting such excuse, and to enable the registrar to know their address at all times.
6. Failure to comply with the regulations and secure such permission to leave the college is a direct violation of the college regulations, and will be so considered in all cases coming before the Discipline Committee.
7. Students who have absented themselves from one class, in order that they may complete work for another department, shall be conditioned in the work neglected until such condition has been removed to the satisfaction of the instructor in charge.
8. Students who have absented themselves before or after a holiday, or at the beginning of a term, are conditioned in their subjects until the work for the period has been completed to the satisfaction of the instructor in charge; and no excuse, be accepted in the future by the Discipline Committee for absence at the beginning of school exercises following such holidays or inter-term vacations, which, in reality are only a continuation or part of the regular college year.

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**Musical Department**

By David Sonquist '14

At the last Music hour, Dr. Putnam initiated the student body into the proper spirit of using our national hymn. The musical editor rendered Schuman's "The Two Grenadiers" and Herman Lohr's "Roumania Mountains" (Many, Many, Mountains according to the Courier News). Dr. Putnam also played several beautiful cornet Solos.

Mrs. H. O. Kallgren assisted Prof. Dickinson of Wisconsin at the Grand Nov. 17, by singing several beautiful selections. The singing of "The Rosary" was especially effective.

The College Y quartette furnished the music at the Y. M. C. A. feed

Thanksgiving evening.

The Treble Clef club and the Y quartette will sing at the Xmas vacation Program, Dec. 16th.

The Band Dance was a success. The boys worked hard in decorating the Armory and their band numbers were subject to encores everytime.

The band hiked to the Masonic Temple Friday afternoon and played several selections at the close of the initiation of a large number into the Scottish Rites, among whom was Dr. Putnam. The band's coming was a complete surprise to the assembly. The boys remained for the banquet.

**AGRICULTURE AND VETERINARY**

By Theodore Stoa '15.

Dean Shepperd returned Saturday morning from Chicago where he was in attendance at the International Stock Show. Prof. Thompson returned Thursday morning.

Prof. Doneghue has again compiled a valuable bulletin. The Better Farming Association has issued it under the title "Crop Rotation". It is written with the view of familiarizing the farmers of the state with the necessity for and the benefits of systems of Crop Rotation.

Saturday was boys and girls day in the city of Fargo, the event being a district com. potato and bread contest, held for the pupils of the city schools and vicinity. Miss Jensen of the D. S. department judged the bread exhibits which Prof. Palmer had charge of the Agricultural products.

Cal Hennis visited Bismarck and Wilton last week in the interests of the department of farm management. This week he intends to visit the Helendale Stock Farm, a farm which is owned by J. B. Powers, a former president of this institution and operated as one of the most successful stock farms in the state. Full and complete records of the farm have been kept for about twenty years and will without a doubt be a great source of valuable information and furnish splendid data for practical and successful farm managing.

Edwin A. Palmer of Williston, a practicing attorney at that place was in the city on legal business last Tuesday, and while here visited with his brother Prof. Palmer.

Prof. Randlett is working overtime these days to fill all his engagements which he has in the various cities and towns thruout this state as director and judge of the many com. contests. On Wednesday and Thursday he was at Val'ev City, the Barnes Co. contest and on Saturday forenoon the afternoon of the same day Rugby occupied his attentions.

Hal. Pollock, Maurice Winter, and Mr. Metcalf, a former A. C. Student were among those who took in the sights at the International Stock show this year.

The 1912 International Live Stock show which took place in Chicago last week is now history. This years show was equal and better to any formerly held and every thing was run off smoothly and satisfactorily. The show of horses as well as those of the various classes of cattle and hogs being exceptionally good. A serious handicap to the show of sheep being the fact that none could be imported due to the seriousness of the foot and mouth disease which has been prevalent in England this past season.

One feature of this show was the students stock judging contest held in this connection and under the charge of Dean Shepperd of this institution. The contest was won by the Iowa team with a total score of 3885 points out of a possible 5000, while Kansas and Missouri won second and third place. That our own state and Agricultural College is not

represented in this contest is a regrettable fact when we consider that we have at our disposal equal opportunities to develop as strong a team as at least some of the entries. Manitoba was represented with a strong team and the fact that the grand champion steer of the show was exhibited by a Brandon, Manitoba, breeder argues well for the northwest and its possibilities in this line.

**CROP ROTATION.**

Office of Agr. Editor, Extension Department, N. D. Agrl. College, Fargo, N. D.—W. C. Palmer, Agrl. Editor.

The results of 20 years of crop rotation work is given in Bulletin No. 100, North Dakota Experiment Station. Plot No. 2 has been in continuous wheat. The average yield for the 20 years is a little over 13 bushels. In this connection it is interesting to know that in England the average of continuous wheat for 48 years at The Rothemstead Experiment Station was 13 1/2 bushels.

Introducing a corn crop every fourth year increased the wheat yields the first year 7 1/2 bushels—the second year 7 1/2 bushels and the third year 2 1/2 bushels. The first crop of wheat after fallow was 6 1/2 bushels greater than wheat after wheat. The second crop 4 1/2 bushels larger and the third crop 4 1-5 bushels.

Rotating wheat with oats and barley resulted in a slightly decreased yield of wheat, though weeds were less than on the continuous wheat plots. Flax, when rotated with wheat, had no appreciable effect on the wheat yield. Manure applied to corn or millet increased the yield of the crops of wheat that followed and made the greatest increase in the third crop of wheat. Manure applied to corn followed by three crops of wheat gave an increase in crop equal to \$1.40 per load of manure—applied to millet followed by wheat the increase was worth \$1.65 per load of manure.

The 64 pages of the bulletin gives complete results of the field work. The authors are Professors J. H. Shepperd and R. C. Doneghue.

The Extension Bulletin "Guide for North Dakota Bird Study" will be off the press early this week. It will deal with the subjects of bird protection, economic value of birds, lists of birds suitable for general study in the state, and literature which will be especially useful to North Dakota bird students. The bulletin has been compiled and edited by Dr. Bell.

Winney Crouch won out in the competitive drill contest held by Company A. last Friday. This sort of drill should be continued as it creates a great deal of interest and makes the cadets concentrate their thoughts while drilling.

**Wanted:—**

A disciple of Sherlock Holmes to discover the Why and the Wherefore of that clouded countenance and that worried look on Nolet's face since Thursday last.

Drill was dispensed with Wednesday as some of the officers were forced to join the wholesale Discipline Committee meeting and will eat Turkey in the city next year.

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