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Literary Societies Have Grand Festival

Our Four Societies Combine Efforts and Give Best Literary Program Ever Given Here.

Athenians Get First Prize

For Best Play—Castallians Win First Place in Song and Yell Contest—Much Enthusiasm Uncorked.

One Literary Society often manages to give a very good program during one evening, but when four literary societies all strive to furnish the best entertainment which the talent in the society can give, an exceptionally interesting program is apt to be the result. This was certainly the case last Friday evening when we had our first Literary Society Festival. For over a month, all our literary societies have been bending every effort to show the public what they could do on this particular evening, because here the society would be judged by outsiders by the program that each rendered. Besides this, prizes were offered, and the society carrying off one of these could feel honored and one of these could feel honored and getting good, new members. As this event was talked about and advertised to a great extent beforehand, a very large crowd was present, not only students, but citizens of Fargo as well.

The program was opened by two members of the Castallian Literary Society rendering a duet. Then came the first literary part of the program, the farce presented by the Castallian Literary Society, "A Spinster's Convention." In this play every member of the society had a part. As the name would indicate, it is strictly a meeting of "old maids." Old maids they were, of every description; short and tall, large and small, lean and stout, refined and otherwise. The spectators were amazed that these old maids could really be the petite Castallians as we usually see them. Miss Katherine Ladd played the leading role, being the president of the convention. Her acting is entitled to especially favorable comment, although all those in the cast acted their parts well, but space forbids giving individual mention, on account of the large number that took part.

The object of the "convention" was to discuss the welfare of all old maids in general and to talk over the matrimonial field. Also ways and means were taken up by which some specimen of masculinity could be captured. In this connection, they took an opportunity to classify some of the unmarried members of the faculty. Prof. Makeover, who, by the way, was one of the Castallians, caused quite a stir among the spinsters with his machine which he guaranteed to transform them into young, beautiful ladies or fairies. His rattle-trap machine seemed to be popular with the girls even if it jarred the nerves of the audience. It certainly did the business, however, as the transformations it accomplished were marvelous. During the farce, songs were sung by the society which made hits with the audience.

During the intermission, the Philomathian quartet made up of Irvin Storland, Ralph Smith, Mr. Sonquist and Mr. Oblinger, sang a song while the society set the stage for their play, "Is the Editor in?"

In this farce, some of the troubles of an editor were well brought out. Here, Mugh Carr acted the part of Mr. Pastepot, a rattlebrained country editor. His acting was above criticism for here he seemed actually at home. As he was seated at his desk in the usual editorial fashion with his feet on his desk and scissors in his hand, one subscriber after another came in with some complaint for the editor. Miss Poetaster, alias Herman Halland, was the first to appear. She was one of those lovable, cute girls whose coy smiles and wily ways was enough to entice any innocent bachelor and lead him off into unknown paths. It seemed, however, that Mr. Pastepot was already spoken for, as

her cunning ways did not aid her in any way in securing enough free space in her paper to publish her poem. As Miss Poetaster, Mr. Halland showed considerable ability as an actor. Mr. Anson was an old farmer. He was not as cute as Miss Poetaster but made up for it by his cleverness as he managed to insert a little four column ad for a bushel of rutabagas. Mr. Manikowske, who played this part had a makeup which was the best of any of the amateurs.

A. C. Well Represented At International Stock Show

The A. C. was well represented at the International Stock Show, in that Dean Shepperd had charge of the Students Judging Contest. He was assisted in this work by E. J. Thompson and Burke Critchfield of the Animal Husbandry Department. Prof. Richards judged Percheron horses. He states that he found this to be quite a task. The rings were very large, in some cases, there were as many as 125 horses. He attended a large number of meetings of Breeders Associations.

Miss Magill Wins 1st Prize In Christmas Story Contest

The faculty committee consisting of Prof. Minard, Prof. Arvold and Miss Simmons, selected by the Spectrum to judge the stories in our Christmas story contest, has awarded first place to Rosabelle Magill on her story, "Peace on Earth; Good-will Toward Men," and second place to E. D. Sylvester. Miss Magill will receive a handsome leather pillow for her efforts, and Mr. Sylvester will get a pretty plush pillow. We congratulate them. The stories were all good so it was

One Of Our Old Students Passes Away

It was with regret that our students learned of the death of Maydents learned of the death of May was one of our most prominent and popular students. Since leaving here, she has spent most of her time in the West on account of her ill-health, having been afflicted with consumption for some time. She has been staying at home, her folks having moved west two years ago and now have a fruit ranch near Seattle. Carl Yerrington, a brother of the deceased, now a Sophomore in Agr-

Freshmen Give Sleighing Party To Sophomores

THREE HAYRACK LOADS OF UNDERCLASSMEN SEE ALL OF FARGO AND MOORHEAD WHEN THEY HAVE A Copper Kettle Inn

Speeches Given by Pres. Carr, Pres. Tibert and Others—Slams and Taffy Handed Out in Large Quantities.

Last Saturday evening the yearlings gave a sleigh ride party in honor of the two-year olds. Three hayracks, well filled with straw and blankets, were used to convey the seventy under-classmen.

The party left the armory at 8 o'clock and drove down Broadway giving cheer after cheer, each load of joy-makers trying to beat the other. At Front street, the party turned and drove eastward continuing their yells and songs. While crossing the Red, the whole party united in singing, "How Dry I am."

The greater part of Moorhead was covered and the A. C. people showed the astonished Minnesota citizens what reactions can be gotten by combining two such active elements as are the two first year classes at the A. C.

After leaving Moorhead, the party took a round about trip back to the north end of town and landed up at the Copper Kettle Inn where they were all shown seats upstairs and the real fun of the evening commenced.

After partaking in a good feed consisting of oysters, coffee and cake, the enthusiasm was uncorked "right." President Carr of the Soph. class gave the first speech in response to the one which Tibert, the leader of the Freshies, couldn't nerve himself to give, in spite of his experience on the Farmers Institute platform. Carr informed the Freshies, in a friendly manner of the advisability of returning the two missing toques, and promised that if they did return them he and his flock would help them some time when in need.

This speech was followed by one from V. Arvold, and another by Ebner, who spent some time in convincing his audience that a regular attendance at the Grand was an important factor in a college man's life. After this, some Freshmen made the remark that what they lacked in quantity, they made up in quality. Manikowske, however, failed to see any great quality in them when they couldn't "extinguish" between horned and polled Angus.

At this time Waldron found that he couldn't control himself any longer, and having lost the paper prepared for the occasion, he rose and challenged the Freshmen to games of Ping Pong, Pinochle, Dominoes, Hand Ball and Basket Ball in quick succession. Tibert manfully arose and in his usual ready manner, accepted these challenges, making quite an impression on the fair ones present.

Toasts were given by several other members of both classes, and by the able and willing chaperones, Prof. Martin and Miss Donaldson, after which the party broke up.

Edythe Grasse of our Music Department will leave for Rochester, Minn., in a few days. Her father is seriously ill under Dr. Mayo's care. He has been there for a month. Miss Grasse will join her mother, who has been there for some time. Any of her pupils wishing to see her before leaving should call at her office today.

All college students intending to take part in the oratorical contest, Feb. 23, should hand their names to A. G. Arvold at once. Work should be begun immediately.

Tom Jensen, who for several years was a student here, but for the last ten years has been in Alaska, is spending some time in Fargo. Mr. Jensen is interested in a mine near Nome in Alaska.

Lynn Burd, one of our special students in dairying last year, but now having charge of the creamery at La-Moure, was visiting the college the last of the week. He was accompanied by his brother who is considering taking up some special work here this winter.

NORTH DAKOTA

Words by A. E. Minard. Music by Dr. C. S. Putnam.

YELLOW AND GREEN

1. 4. - Hol' 2 sheen for green and yellow. Up with yellow and the
2. Here in autumn through the nations. Just to gather in the
3. Hushed upon the boundless prairies. Is the vision's underlying

green. They're the shades that deck our prairies, far and wide with glowing
spell. Throng on freight-cars from the cities. Some to feed and some to
tread. And the Redman passes with him. On his spoils the bounty

sheen. Fields of waving green in spring time. Under yellow in the
fall. But the yellow grain flows eastward. And the yellow gold flows
west. But the horse, the Celt and Saxon. With their herds increase

fall. How the great high-rising heaven looks and laughs when it all
leak. Barren cities head low plenty. And the prairies bloom lack
find. Mid these fields of green and yellow. Plenty 'en for all mankind.

that evening. Robert Pearson played the part of a middle-aged country woman, one of that masculine type which are no at all backward about giving their opinions of anybody. Any one who thinks Bob Pearson cannot be anything but docile should change their opinions of him because he can act the part of a cranky old woman.

Rueben Larson, as Mr. Sparr, was one of those athletic old-timers who preferred to retaliate by physical means. In playing the part of a "rough-neck" he did well, showing the result of long, faithful practice. Verne Oblinger was Mr. Boodlum. He looked for trouble with the editor but

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The Students Judging Contest was a Canadian landslide. MacDonald and Manitoba won first and second places. Missouri was a close third. Missouri saved the day to some extent for Uncle Sam. One of her sons won highest individual honors for scoring all classes. The showing of Manitoba speaks well for the team that represented us at St. Paul last month. That team was only beaten by 38 points out of 1728, by the Manitoba team.

Iowa Agricultural College won the Grand Championship Steer Show. Nearly all colleges within accessible distance of Chicago had a good representation of students. It is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when we will also be represented in the Students Contest, at least.

quite a task for the judges to decide which was the best. We wish to thank all who entered the contest. We are sorry all could not win a place, but believe your efforts were by no means in vain as the practice alone was worth much. We also wish to thank the judges for the work they did to make the contest a success.

The class in Botany I. took no laboratory work in this subject yesterday.

NOTICE.

The College Declamatory Contest takes place Feb. 9th. All college students intending to take part should hand in their names to A. G. Arvold and begin work at once.

culture, left Friday for his home immediately on receipt of the telegram telling of his sister's death. He will not return until school opens after the holidays. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Miss Steindahl, who three years ago was one of our instructors in Domestic Science and is well known to our old students, will be married to one of Wisconsin's prominent citizens during the holidays.

Allan Clark, '09, of the Dickinson Sub-Station, is spending the holidays in Fargo. Rumor says Fargo is soon to lose one of her popular young ladies but this rumor has not yet been substantiated by Mr. Clark. He will spend the winter in Washington, D. C., to do work in connection with his position on the sub-station staff.

Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

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The Spectrum comes out today as a special holiday edition to remind you that the close of the term is at hand. The students, if ever, are busy making one last grand effort to reach the goal, a passing grade. So it is with the Staff, and it is unfortunate that this issue and the examinations should so closely coincide as to date of preparation.

Many of you will spend the two weeks of well earned rest at home and while there, the college will be judged in a great measure by changes wrought in yourself during your stay here. This factor, combined with your expressed convictions regarding the A. C. will largely determine how your friends will regard the institution. Remember, that you are a representative of the greatest institution in the state and act accordingly.

Make your New Years resolutions and in them include that if you have made mistakes in the terms work, now about to be completed, you will avoid them when you come back. Now do not delay retaining as so many are wont to do. Begin the term when the term begins and in this way help yourself and those who must listen to lectures rehearsed for your benefit.

Thirty students have already signified their intentions of going into the preliminaries to compete for places on debating teams at the S. D. S. C. at Brookings. That should serve as a stimulus to some of our students to begin to think of trying out for the team.

When a number of the "men" of the Sophomore class, with an ingrowing sense of humor find it necessary to assault a member of the Spectrum staff, such an action should be considered as a disgrace to the school, and to the class which these "men" represent. The most notable feature of the affair was the bravery with which it was conducted, ten of these "men" against one. Such people are sometimes called cowards, such actions cowardly. When a bunch of half-baked individuals arrive at the point where they believe that the college and the college paper should devote most of its time to exalting their performances, and are willing to take such cowardly methods of defending their lilywhite reputations, the place for them is on a desert island, not among civilized people. The courage and the intellect of these people is on the same plane with that of the mobs of the south. It is unfortunate that a few who are distinguished rather for noise than for brains, for strength rather than for courage, for vulgarity than for good taste, should take it upon themselves to represent their whole class. We believe, though, that the majority of the class would be guilty of nothing like this, and will unite with the rest of the college in condemning this and all similar actions. It will take a good deal more than this to intimidate the Spectrum, or induce us to lower our policy to a plane with theirs.

WHY?

Is the engineering department a special department of the institution to be controlled by one or two members of the faculty, or is it a department that should enjoy the same rights as any other department of this college?

Is the engineering department of any value to the institution? Look over the number of students and it will be found that the students taking engineering courses of some description compose about one-fifth of the entire student body. This seems

to intimate that engineering is of some value to the college.

When the engineering building was built the specifications called for a room to be set aside for the engineering society.

Up to the time of the burning of the chemistry building, the engineers enjoyed the room as their own personal property. Then through courtesy of the society, the room was given up to be used as a classroom with the understanding that they were to regain the room for their own use after a new chemistry building was completed. With this in view, the society, immediately at the beginning of the fall term appointed a committee to interview the registrar in regard to securing the room. This was done and the committee was informed that the room was being used for four full hours a day as an English room.

The registrar stated that he did not know of any particular room that was available at that time, but if a room could be secured in the meantime to satisfy the purpose for a classroom, the engineers would once more regain their room. It was suggested and advised that the committee interview the two college literary societies in regard to obtaining their room, as they only used their room twice a month. Permission was granted by the Athenians to transfer the English class into their room. Then the committee, after constant effort all fall, reported the Athenians decision to the registrar. He flatly refused to fulfill his part of the agreement.

WHY?

(Signed) The N. D. A. C. L. E.

BOOST FOR A RINK.

Seven hundred students are waiting to see a skating rink materialize in this part of the city. The South side is well provided for,—but who cares to go so far, for a couple of hours skating? The Athletic Park has been mentioned as a suitable place and it seems feasible. Bob Flynn has offered to start a subscription list with five dollars and other ways and means might be available. Dean Hoover, realizing what great benefit would be derived by her charges, if a rink were established, has suggested, that the space north of Ceres Hall would be an ideal location. It has also been rumored that the "powers that are", have seen fit to grant the space north-east of the creamery for such purpose. The proximity to the Power House with the inevitable ruination of the ice by ashes and dust, puts that place out of running. In as much as Hockey is a form of athletics, it seems that the Athletic Management might well boost for this project. Talk it up if you are interested and come back after vacation, resolved to do your best to help procure this necessary recreation.

BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS THURSDAY NIGHT

Basketball is now well under way and two teams are being put through a strenuous scrimmage every afternoon. As yet no definite team has been picked to represent the institution, but Coach Reuber will probably select a team this afternoon or tomorrow which will appear against the Moorhead Normal five on Thursday evening.

The game Thursday evening will give Coach Reuber and assistant Coach Birch a chance to get a line on their material. The game will by no means be a walk away for the A. C. The Normal boys have been practicing for some time and have played several games including the University.

Coach Kingsford of the Moorhead Normal stated that he would use several men for each position and that his team was in fairly good condition for the contest.

The game will be played at the Normal gym and this being the first game of the season for Reuber's aggregation, a larger attendance of A. C. students to back the team will be greatly appreciated.

While there will be considerable changing of men the following line will probably be on the floor.

Moorhead Normal—	A. C.
Paxton.....rf	Hackett
E. Johnson	Elden
A. Johnson.....lf	Nolet
Mathiason	Hall
Burke, Capt.....c	Wheeler, Capt.
	Simpson
Stally.....rg	Darrow
Lowman.....lg	Dalsinger
	Dawson



GUNCKEL SPEAKS JAN. 9.

The second number of the lecture course will be on Jan. 9, when John A. Gunckel will speak about his work with newsboys. Mr. Gunckel is known far and wide as the newsboy king, and his success as a practical philanthropist has attracted attention throughout the whole country. Mr. Gunckel first became interested in the newsboys of Toledo, and organized them into an association, trying to inculcate into them manliness and self respect. He has succeeded so well that his work has spread to other cities and the association is now national. Mr. Gunckel is a splendid speaker, and with his interesting subject, and the host of anecdotes he uses to illustrate it, the lecture is sure to be valuable and interesting.

On Feb. 29, 1912, Mr. Edmund Vance Cooke, the well known poet, humorist and impersonator is the attraction. Mr. Cooke has a wide reputation, being variously known as the poet of Nineteen Hundred and Now, the Impertinent Poet, the Laureate of the Little Tots, etc.

PROF. RANDLETT CONDUCTS EXTENSION SCHOOL

From the 4th to the 13th of this month, the Extension Department has been conducting an extension school at Lisbon where practical instruction was given on agricultural subjects by members of our faculty and other speakers. This short course was attended by a large number of farmers and townspeople. The instruction given in much the same way as in farmers' institutes, only the subjects were covered much more thoroughly. Special features were lectures by Dr. Gillette of the University, Prof. A. P. Hollis of the Valley City Normal, and by Prof. G. S. Martin, Miss Donaldson and Mrs. Randlett of the A. C. and demonstrations in judging dairy cattle and corn. Prof. Randlett director of the Extension Department had charge. He was assisted by Supt. Lanxon of the Hettinger Sub-Station. More of these short courses will be given at different points of the state during the winter.

Supt. Lanxon of the Hettinger sub-station is here to spend a month at the college to assist Prof. Randlett with his extension work. This week he is looking after arrangements and is giving instruction to the boys and girls attending the Boys' and Girls' Institute, which is being held here.

After this is over, he will begin to look after the corn show that is to be held in Fargo in conjunction with the Grain Growers convention.

At the end of his month's stay here, he will again lecture before the short courses in agriculture which are to be held over the state.

Thursday Prof. W. C. Palmer judged corn at Lakota and during the latter part of the week he went to Minneapolis on business relative to editorial work of the Extension Department.

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Farm Husbandry, Power Machinery and Homemakers' Courses Begin Oct. 16th

Miss Leahy, Prof. Bolly's private secretary will go to Los Angeles next week to spend the winter.

The Lyceum of Engineers met Friday evening and at which time the following program was given: The Sugar Industry.....Eric Martinson An Engineering Course in an Agricultural College.....J. W. Nolet The Drayton Bridge.....Prof. Slocum

Each of these gentlemen had good talks prepared and ones that were of great interest to the members of the society. At the close of the program some lantern slides of college scenes were shown.

While at the International, Prof. Richards purchased for the College Herd, the pure bred Shorthorn sire, May Flower Prince, 349768. He is a Canadian bred sire of good breeding and will make a very valuable addition to the College Herd.

Prof. Shepperd after attending the International took a short business trip to South Florida.

Mr. Burke Critchfield of the Station Registration Board is now hard at work on its second annual report which it is expected will be ready to send to press in a couple of weeks. They have enrolled nearly 1,000 new horses this year. These reports are going to be distributed free of charge to all persons in the state interested in horse breeding.

Mr. Thompson, after spending a few days at the International, took a short trip to his home at Nameo, Ill., and also stopped off at St. Louis and Champaigne.

On his way home from the International, Mr. Burke Critchfield spent a few days with C. A. Michells, who is taking post-graduate work at the U. of W. He also conferred with

the Horse Breeding department at the institution.

Victor Steindahl of Menominee, Wisconsin, was visiting Mark Heller one of his classmates, in high school. Mr. Steindahl was just returning from a trip through the west. He is a brother of Miss Steindahl, who was one of the instructors in Domestic Science three years ago.

Y. W. C. A.

This week's meeting was led by Miss Marlon Cox. Miss Jacobson spoke to the girls on "Christmas Spirit" and read a very interesting Christmas legend.

Misson Study Club did not meet this week on account of the fact that everyone wanted the afternoon off to shop.

Only three girls, it is reported, will spend Christmas at Ceres Hall.

During the past week the food commissioner has held a number of hearings for manufacturers to appear and show cause why the dealers should not be prosecuted for the sale of oleomargarine misbranded, and in fact so labeled and sold that it may be mistaken for butter.

During the holidays, Dr. Batt expects to attend a union meeting of the Modern Language Association in Chicago. This Association is in two sections as a rule, but every four years they join and hold a union meeting. This is the first time a union meeting has been held so far west, and it is considerable of an experiment.

If Mabel Sears to have been proposed to, would you imagine that Congdon (e) it?

AT THE GRAND.

There will be no lectures at the Grand for the next two weeks, but they will begin again Jan. 7, when Dr. Dolt will give an illustrated lecture on "Egypt."

In collecting the news for the week is quite often happens that some items of more or less importance are omitted. Such omissions should not be taken as personal slights, as the true cause is nearly always that none of the staff happened to hear of the event. While we make every effort to keep in touch with all that takes place about the College, the field is so broad that some things are sure to escape us each week. The number of such omissions would be greatly reduced if every student would take the trouble to inform some member of the staff of any item of interest which may come up.

A number of the student organizations have shown this spirit of co-operation by appointing a member to report their doings.

Many of the organizations, however, are not doing this and are losing the opportunity of showing they are alive. Perhaps they are not.

Any spirit of co-operation is greatly appreciated by the staff and if individuals would also help to keep us informed there would be much less likelihood of important items being overlooked. If you know of any news we would be most grateful if you would either inform some member of the staff or have the information put in box 57 at the post-office.

A complete set of apparatus for observing the weather has recently been installed at the University.

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Engineering Building, Room 16

if it were but a mere toy. With just as much ease, a freight car that had rolled down the embankment, was placed on the tracks.

After the wreckage was cleared away, officials arrived on the scene and the injured wheat was sold to the highest bidder, who, in turn, sold it to the farmers from the surrounding country at a ridiculously low price and many farmers piled up their grain bins with enough wheat to last them for several years.

A train was made up at Chester with what was left of the "Wheat Special" and we continued our trip to Boston, arriving there early in the morning, nearly a whole day late. The first thing that I did was to report to the superintendent and then I boarded a streetcar and hurried home.

Never before had I seen such glad and surprised faces as those that met me when I reached the house, for the news of the wreck had traveled ahead and they had imagined that something terrible had happened to me. In vain had they tried to find out something about the wreck, but no full reports had been received as yet. The superintendent had been asked, but he knew nothing definite. Telegraphic inquiries revealed nothing of my welfare. Consequently one can imagine how the tears of joy were shed upon my appearance at the door. The great strain was then released when I told them that I was unhurt, and all tears were wiped away. The rest of the day was spent in relating again and again the story of the wreck of the "Wheat Special," which made that Christmas remain in my memory as one of the most happy and thankful of all the Christmas Days that I have ever celebrated.

J. '14

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A Christmas Awakening

At the court room window stood a man who, with wrinkled brow, gazed out over the city's business section. Suddenly he turned and his eyes rested on the other two figures in the room. One was that of a severely dressed woman, now passing out of the door; and the other an elderly man who sat at the desk arranging some scattered papers. A moment later he left the window, and his partner at the desk looked up inquiringly.

"Well, we've lost the case; and to a woman."

"Yes, it is hard to lose to a woman; but she's square; no tears or sympathy appeals from her; and if we had to lose I'd as soon Miss Burblank would win as another."

"This is the third big case she's won this year. Seems to me she brought up every decision since Noah's time which had any bearing on this case. How do you suppose she remembers them all?"

The senior attorney hesitated a minute then, looking at the junior member with a meaning glance, replied, "By close application and continuous study; knowledge like hers doesn't come with a bound."

By this time the papers were in order and the two men left the court room.

Meanwhile Mary Burbank was making her way, with a buoyant step, to the imposing hotel which she called home. On reaching her apartments the wraps and expensive furs, which had protected her from the chill December breeze, were thrown aside and the severely cut gown was exchanged for a becoming afternoon dress. Thus transformed, she sat down to rest and to think over the day's efforts. As she sat there few would have suspected her of having any connection with the dreaded law court. Her fair hair was arranged with taste and the expressive face showed no lines of age after all the struggles of the ten preceding years.

Finally she picked up her mail and, glancing through the letters, picked out those she wished to read. The first to be opened was addressed in a rather shaky hand, and after reading it she seemed completely absorbed for several minutes.

Musingly she thought of the writer of that letter, her father; of the childish pleasures in which he had been an active participant. Then of his consent when she wished to go away to school, of his surprise when she enrolled as a law student and finally of his congratulations when she won the first big case. Yes, father had always surrounded her with a worshipful love. When things went wrong he had comforted and encouraged. But with these recollections were entangled others. She thought of her mother, who had planned for her a career as a teacher; who wished her to take domestic science; and with the idea a smile passed over her face. Clearly she was not fitted for domestic work, but then there was Louise, the little sister, who, following the narrow path marked out by mother, had enrolled in an unheard of agricultural college in the middle west, graduated, taught a year and had now settled down to a life of infinite calm tending her household duties and caring for her two children. What a fate, after what she had planned for Louise! Why, the girl might have taken a classical course at the best college in America and then she could have studied law and what cases, they, as two sister attorneys, might have won!

And now father had written asking her to spend the holidays with him in Louise's home. Yes (and with this she picked up a second letter), here was Louise's letter extending a still more urgent invitation and picturing the pleasure a family reunion would give; incidentally it also told of a guest, Ray Hopkins, who was spending a few weeks at the sister's home.

Ray Hopkins! At the very name Mary Burbank's lips curled in scorn. He was the friend who had begun the law course a year before she enrolled and had encouraged and applauded the decision which brought about her enrollment in the law department. But what of him? O, owing to his father's poor health he had left when half through his junior year, in order as he said, to look after the farm. At the time this excuse had seemed rather flimsy to the girl's practical mind and when he had appealed to her to give up the thought of a career and to return with him, she, feeling sure that his shallowness was fully demonstrated, had indignantly dismissed him.

Then there was that first year, when she was striving to gain recognition, and those dark days when, discouraged, she had half wished that she had followed his advice. Today, however, it was different; she was

acknowledged as the best woman attorney in the state.

With an effort she recalled the father's letter and invitation. Would she go and spend the holidays with the family? At first she thought not; at least not at her sister's home, where it would be necessary to meet and recognize that brother-in-law who had ruined her plans for Louise. Later, however, her expression changed. A new idea had come to her. Yes, she would go. And while there she would demonstrate to Louise the glory which a public career could bring. Not only would she dazzle her sister, but Ray Hopkins as well would find that he no longer possessed even the slightest attraction for her, a woman of the world.

Thus it was that the day before Christmas found Miss Burblank entering the sleepy little town where she had promised to spend the holidays.

Her father and sister were at the station to welcome their guest and as she stepped to the platform their arms and caresses were about her. They exchanged a few commonplace remarks about her health, trip, etc., and then rushed her on to their home. The heads appeared in the window

As they neared the cottage two lit and behind stood a man, tall, well built, and with pleasing countenance lit up with steel gray eyes. As they neared the door he stepped out on the porch and Louise blushing introduced her husband.

On entering the house, two little girls, one three and the other about five, rushed up to greet Aunt Mary. The sister sat down and the little girls promptly climbed upon her lap, and before she knew it Mary Burbank, the well-known attorney, was caressing these children and talking amiably with their father, whom she had intended to treat with dignified coolness. Someway Louise's life was not so nearly ruined as she had pictured. Louise herself was as pretty and young looking as ever and more than that, a happiness seemed to emanate from her face which increased and etherialized her beauty. What was the meaning of it all?

That night Miss Burblank pondered long over the question. Was it possible that with all her public success she had yet to experience real happiness? Someway, after thinking of Louise, household duties and motherhood took on a new beauty and Mary Burblank almost regretted her career.

Christmas day Ray Hopkins came and somehow that old attraction was not as fully overcome as Mary had imagined. His genial nature and thoughtfulness pleased her and she found herself listening to suggestions and plans which a month before she would have scorned. After all, Louise had experienced a great many pleasures which she had missed, and now a real home, she decided to abandon that Ray Hopkins offered his love and forever her brilliant career and become Mrs. Hopkins. No long engagement for these, who too long had been robbed of life's happiness. New Year's Day found them on their honeymoon and a month later, with a hopeful heart, Mrs. Hopkins entered upon a course of domestic training which would fit her to fill the new duties in her farm home. After all Louise was right; every woman enjoys and longs for a real home.

B. M. C. '14

"Greater Love Hath No Man"

Big Dave slowly put down the bit of mirror which he held in his hand and lay silent for a minute. Then he called Joe from his place by the fire. Joe rose quickly and crossed over to Dave's bunk.

"Want anything, Dave?" he said gently, looking down at the pale face and fever wasted body of his partner and dearest friend.

"Where's Davie?" asked Dave. "Out in the kitchen with Rags, washing dishes," Joe answered. "He sure is a bully, little kid. I don't know what I'd do without him."

"Aye, Davie always was a good lad," Big Dave murmured to himself. And then to Joe, "What date is it?"

After a lengthy calculation on a seldom used calendar, Joe announced that it was the 20th.

"The 20th," said Big Dave, half sadly. "Five days till Christmas." Then, with a wan smile, "I'll no be giving you or Davie anything this Christmas, and it's thinking I am that I'll never have another to make it up on."

"Why?" Joe demanded anxiously.

"Look," whispered Dave, as, with his one well hand he bared his swelled and blackened gums.

Joe went white and his hands closed convulsively on the bunk studs.

"Scurvey!" he gasped.

"Yes, it's scurvey, Joe; and it's

small chance I have in the shape I'm in and us with no fresh vegetables and no chance of getting a doctor."

"It can't be!" Joe stopped abruptly by Rags, who was proudly carrying a much mauled and exceedingly dead pack rat by the neck. As Davie began to tell his father of Rags' desperate battle with the rat, Joe left. He had to be alone, to think, to plan something — anything was better than standing there and listening to Davie's happy talk and overflowing spirits, which were likely to be crushed soon, unless something was done.

"Scurvey!—and he can talk of Christmas!" he groaned. He went to the window and looked out. He could hardly see the windlass at the top of the shaft leading into the little mine that was their sole means of existence, so thick was the driving snow. "If I could only get to town! Why, it would mean saving Davie's life." He stood staring out the window with unseeing eyes, until he heard a burst of boyish laughter from the other room. He turned with sudden decision and snatched his skis from their racks on the wall.

He was risking his life and he knew it, but to that he gave not a second's thought. When Davie returned he had his small preparations all made, and while Davie was finishing his dishes he went in to tell Dave of his purpose.

Briefly—almost curtly, for it was hard to hide his emotion—he told Big Dave what he was going to do. Dave begged and pleaded with him not to go, but all to no avail.

"Joe! Joe! Don't go. Forty miles alone in this weather and every trail blocked. I know what it is outside. It's getting worse every minute. It's bad when the weather's good and think of the shape those trails are in!"

"It's no use, Dave; I'm going," said Joe, decidedly. "Here comes Davie. Don't let him know. Remember now."

"Davie," he said as the lad entered, "I'm going to town for—for some things for our Christmas. Can you take care of your father while I'm gone?"

"Sure," said Davie, proudly; "I wish you didn't have to go, though."

Joe swung him high in the air and then set him down gently. "I'll be back soon," he said gaily; stooped and patted Rags, wrung his partner's hand and was gone before Dave could say anything.

Three days later a line rider from the Grant ranch, searching for cattle, since the storm had let up early that morning, paused in amazement at the foot of the old Baldhead mountain. Far up, showing almost as a speck, appeared the figure of a man on skis. The figure halted for a moment and then dropped down the open side of the mountain. Traveling at a terrific rate and growing larger every second, it swung in a large curve along the edge of the Devil's Slide. The watcher gasped at the daring of the man and then stood petrified and helpless. As he watched, a puff of now jetted up in front of the skiman. The figure swerved, crumpled in a heap and then fell slowly down the pitch of the slide.

When the line rider, ten minutes later, slid off his spent, steaming horse at Joe's side, he thought him dead. When he gathered the battered body into his arms, however, the head turned and the bruised, bloody lips gasped out—

"Dave—scurvey—at Big Bend—get doctor quick." Then the voice trailed off and died away murmuring something about "Christmas—Dave—Rags—"

Early Christmas morning little Davie opened the door in response to insistent knocking, to a group of hollow-eyed, weary men who had been traveling for two days and nights without stop. If Dave had nothing to give for Christmas at least Joe had.

When Dave, late next spring, finally got to town, he found on visiting the little graveyard that the people of Curlew had seen to it that Joe was not forgotten. At the head of Joe's grave was a huge granite boulder with an inscription on it. Hat in hand, and with eyes so blinded by tears that he could hardly read, he read the simple epitaph. Just two lines—the upper, just one word:

"Joe."

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—"Sunrise."

—R. D., '14.

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The Youth
Christmas has come with its joy and its song, With its clamoring noise, children marching along; With balsams and spruces bediz'ned with light, And the shining of jewels in faces more bright.

Your pleasant smile is the one now to wear, 'Tis better than diamonds adorning your hair; "Merry Christmas to all" in emphasis sweet; Is better by far than good things to eat.

The Child.
"Will Santa come tonight Mama, in fly'n 'sheen or sleigh? I think I'll hang the lantern out so he'll come this way; If he comes whiz'n thru the air I'm 'fraid he'll never stop Or if he 'lights upon the house, I'm 'fraid his toys will drop."

"Don't be afraid my little lad for Santa is quite spry, He never thinks about the roof if it is wet or dry; He hustles down the chimney without a single track, So "cuddle down" my little dear and take this goodnight smack."
—F. J. S. 14.

MISS GRASSE'S PUPILS GIVE INTERESTING PROGRAM
There was a good attendance at the recital given by the piano and voice pupils in the Music Hall on Saturday evening and those present report that the program was unusually excellent. The work of the girls showed that they had done a great deal of work in preparing for the program and their performance reflected much credit upon themselves as well as their teacher.

Miss Grasse delivered a short but interesting talk upon the "Sonata Form" which showed her thorough knowledge of the classical side of music. Her talk was illustrated by the Moonlight Sonata, Beethoven, played by Maud Engle; and by the Sonata No. 2, Mozart, played by Lila Elliott. Both of these selections were played with a feeling and understanding which made them fit in admirably with Miss Grasse's remarks.

The following numbers were rendered equally well by other students:
Festival March Joseph Low
Estelle Madison
A Love Token Cadman
Thelma Lears
Romance Anton Rubenstein, op. 44
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Skylarks Morning Song Koelling
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Clara Larson, Miss Grasse
Valse Chopin
Lila Elliott
Goodbye, Sweet Day Varmah
Bessie Knarreborg
The Two Larks Leschetizky
Ada Lackner
Slumber Boat Gaynor
Julia Shelver

The work of the Department during the past year has been of an unusually high grade and a larger number of students than ever before are taking either piano or vocal lessons. In fact, almost every piano on the campus is in use, for practice purposes, all the time from 8 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock at night.

In addition to her teaching, Miss

Grasse is also leading the Girls' Glee Club and this organization is doing some very creditable work.

PERSONALS
O. H. Dolve of Hatton, several years ago one of our basketball stars, visited his sister and brothers here, last week.

Last week was a busy one for the literary societies. The players were rehearsing their plays every day and all the rest of the members were practicing the songs and yells.

The Athenian caste in the play, "In the Wrong House," used the roast chicken which it won as first prize in the play contest of the All Literary Festival, as a nucleus for a feed, Saturday evening. The repast was enjoyed in the same spirit as the prize was won.

Dr. Fulton of Moorhead brought a very difficult case to the A. C. Veterinary Department, where he made use of the operating table and apparatus.

The North Dakota Stallion Registration Board met Thursday of last week in their offices at Francis Hall. The out-of-town members present were Dr. E. J. Walsh of Minot and Mr. John Donnelly of Grafton.

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Ceres Hall
Mrs. Marshall and Miss Jacobson visited the Barnes farm at Glyndon last Saturday.

Miss Stella Jaque left for her home in Tokio, N. D., Saturday on account of the illness of a sister.

The Misses Mabel and Marlon Cox were guests of their parents' down town all day Saturday.

Mrs. Poole of Steele, while on her way back from the Twin Cities visited her daughter, Ethel, at Ceres Hall.

Miss Thordis Eyoifson visited Ceres Hall over Saturday. She left for her home Sunday, accompanied by Miss Cecelia Eyoifson.

The Domestic Science dinners have been very greatly enjoyed by all who are fortunate enough to have attended. They were excellent dinners. All who were there will admit that Domestic Science girls can cook.

Miss Hoover left for an extended trip through the East, Thursday. She intends to visit Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Boston, New York, and Washington. On her way back, she will visit her home in Kansas.

The little girls are arriving daily at Ceres Hall for the Institute. They are going to dress dolls in the Sewing Department. The instructors in Cooking will be assisted by the Junior Girls in Domestic Science, 6.

Dean Hoover's classes have been excused from all examinations.

The Home-makers class in Cooking under Miss Lamb, entertained the Home-makers faculty at dinner Friday.

A special room is being fitted up in the Department of Home Economics for exhibits.

The class in Domestic Art did not meet Thursday morning on account of Miss Jacobson's illness.

There will be no gymnasium classes next week. Miss Haggart wishes all the girls a Merry Christmas and told them to exercise at least once during vacation.

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got mixed up with the husky roughneck instead. Max Waldron was the printer's "devil." He did not have any oral part so his usual wit was not brought into play. His makeup, however, was good. He looked as unkempt as a personal devil could appear.

This play as a whole was very interesting and every part was well acted, showing that with more training some very good talent will be developed in the Philomathian Society.

Following this play, the Athenians were given the stage. They presented the short play, "In the Wrong House." This play had fewer characters than the other plays, but each one had longer parts, and more real acting was necessary.

Mrs. Clapper was a middle-aged, good-natured boarding house keeper, who, like others of her kind, was after all the money that could be secured from the business. Tom Jarvis, called T. J. for short, was one of her boarders who was taking an extended vacation, so was not occupying his room at the time although he was paying for it. In the meantime, Mr. Themistocles Judd, an author, appeared on the scene. He wanted a quiet place where he could produce literature which would in time save the world. Mrs. Clapper, of course, had just the place he wanted. She gave him Tom Jarvis' room. The author was just making himself comfortable when loud raps, sounding like hammer knocks, were heard on the door. On opening the door, a very irate old man, Mr. Nathaniel Nokes, appeared. This old man's daughter had eloped with a fellow she called "T. J." for short and this house was the place where he stayed. The author, he thought, must be the man. After a heated controversy he left to return at some future time.

But Mr. Judd had barely settled down to his studies again when Tom Jarvis returns unexpectedly and brings a bride with him. He finds Judd in his room; he wants to know what excuse Judd has for being there and begins to take action to evict him. Mr. Themistocles Judd just as strenuously objected to Jarvis' presence in the room and wants to take means of ejecting the intruder. At this point, a detective appears on the scene to arrest somebody. He takes steps to arrest Jarvis who looked the most guilty, but the quick-witted Lotty had a way of saving her husband. She throws her arms around Themistocles and pretends to sob because he loves her no more. Mrs. Clapper was called to determine which one was her rightful husband. Having known Tom as a bachelor for a long time, she said he certainly was not. Her father now again appeared

on the scene, and proceeds to condemn the faithless husband which he believes the author to be. Themistocles Judd is completely frustrated. He can see nothing but a conspiracy in the whole thing to marry him to this girl, and denounces the conspiracy in the loftiest language at his disposal, as marriage was far beneath him. Old Mr. Nokes now renounces to some extent and offers to give his blessing to Lotty and Mr. Judd. The real couple seize this opportunity of making up with the "old man" so the truth is told. Tom Jarvis and Lotty get the blessings of the old man, although the whole affair seems somewhat of a mystery to Themistocles Judd.

As Mr. Themistocles Judd, Chester Holkesvig was great. His enunciation was so clear it could be heard distinctly in all parts of the room; his facial expression and actions so typical of an antiquated author that it hardly seemed possible that he was only acting. If Mr. Holkesvig's inclinations were toward the stage, we would predict a good career for him in that capacity.

Arthur Ogaard played the part of Mr. Nathaniel Nokes, which was a very difficult role. With the exception of Mr. Holkesvig, he was easily the star of the evening. Reginald Colley as Tom Jarvis was very acceptable. Edwin Evingson, who took Mr. Yerrington's part as the detective, only a few hours before on account of the death of Mr. Yerrington's sister, did exceptionally well, considering the very short time he had in which to learn the part. Addie Stafford, who took the part of the eloping bride, was as pretty and winsome as any bride could be. Miss Poland was the old boarding house keeper, and was so good natured that many, especially members of the Freshman Class, decided that she would be an ideal housekeeper.

While the Hesperians were arranging the stage for their play, the Athenian quartet made up of Ewen, Evingson, Williams and Holkesvig, sang "Down by the Old Mill Stream," and Miss Mikkelsen sang a solo, which, as usual, was greatly appreciated by the audience. The Hesperians opened their play, "A Convention of Papas," with music. With banners and posters flying, they marched to the platform from the back part of the room with their band. This band made a hit. The play was a kind of a campaign for men's rights. Speeches were given by almost all in the cast. The play concluded with "What's the Matter with Father." Mr. Christianson as Col. Highertower, and Jack Kerr as Walker, are entitled to special mention.

Following the literary part of the program, came the noise making. All the societies were entered in the song and yell contest. The Castellans sang a very catchy song and gave a num-

ber of yells with a great deal of snap to them which landed the prize. Mary Gibbons was their splendid yell leader.

The Philos were all out in military uniform for their stunt. The stage was darkened and all gathered around the campfire except the sentinel, who paced back and forth, and all sang the "Old Camp Ground." This was quite impressive. They gave their yells with snap and vim and were easily entitled to second place. The Athenians had some very good original songs and yells. In a responsive reading, some good-natured puns were gotten off on Prof. Arvold and his stand on segregated literary societies. Their yelling lacked the unison which is acquired by practice. The Hesperians favored the audience with some more music from the band and gave some good yells when the student part of the program of the first literary festival was over.

On account of the late hour, the "Seven Minutes of Mystery" had to be postponed to some future time. In "The German Village" twenty-two kinds of food were given to the members of the literary societies and their friends.

While the crowd was eating, Prof. Arvold announced the decision of the judges, who were Prof. Minard, Dr. Putt, and Mr. Parrott: First place to the Athenians for the best literary program; and first place to the Castellans in the song and yell contest; and asked for the sentiment of those present in regard to making this an annual affair. All were unanimous in favor of it as this was about the most interesting evening ever spent at the A. C.

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