

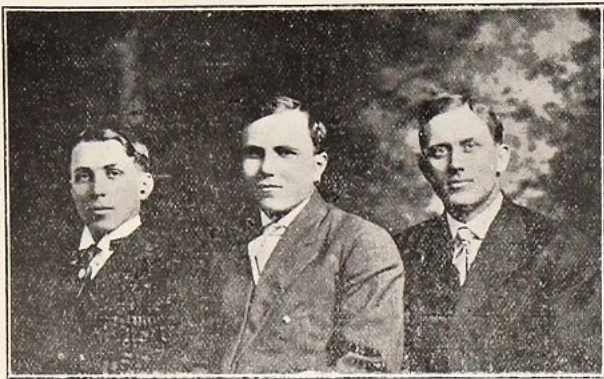
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P. J. Olson, Ray Towle and Edwin Traynor, Who Will Represent the A. C. in Friday's Debate.

A. C. Debators Will Meet S. D. Friday

First Debate Between A. C. and South Dakota State College Now at Hand.

TEAMS ARE IN GOOD TRIM

Both Teams Composed of Experienced Debators and Upper Classmen.

The debate with South Dakota is now at hand and the preparations for the event are now nearly complete. The debate will occur in the college chapel at 8 o'clock Friday evening, with the question: "Resolved, That the federal government should enact a law forbidding all carriers of interstate commerce to transport the products of an industrial establishment employing children under fourteen years of age, this to apply to interstate commerce only."

The A. C. team, composed of Messrs. Traynor, Olson and Towle, will uphold the affirmative of this question. The rules agreed upon are that each speaker shall have twelve minutes for direct arguments and three minutes each for rebuttal.

The members of the A. C. team will speak in the direct argument in the order named. Individually all three of these men are well known in public speaking circles at the college and are well capable of handling the rather difficult question with which they have to contend.

Edwin Traynor, '11, has probably had the wisest experience in debate of the three. In 1908 he was a member of the college team in the debate with Fargo College, and coming back the following year once more took a prominent part in debate, being a member of the winning team in both the Inter-Society and Stockwell debates. He has also taken part in various other forms of public speaking, being winner of third place in the recent oratorical contest. As a speaker he is forceful and easy.

P. J. Olson, '10, is also prominent in forensic activities, having won first place in the oratorical contest of this year. He won first place in the College Declamatory contests of 1907 and 1908. His experience as a debator has not been great, but as a member of the Athenian team in last fall's Inter-Society debate he showed great ability in that line.

Ray Towle, '11, has come into prominence as a debator during the past year and has rapidly come to the front in that work. Last fall he won a place on the Athenian team for the Inter-Society debate and later made good in the tryout for places on the college team. He is an easy and logical speaker and has the prime requisite of a debator, the ability to work long and hard on the question in hand.

As a whole the team is a capable one and is prepared to give South Dakota a hard struggle for the supremacy.

The South Dakota team is composed of Messrs. Russell Knappen, Ben Schaphorst and Jay Cottingham. Of the three, Mr. Knappen is the youngest of the trio. He is a member of the Miltonian Literary Society and his work in the preliminaries was of the highest order.

Mr. Schaphorst of the Athenian Literary Society is a member of the Sophomore class. He holds the position of scientific editor of the Industrial Collegian and was elected editor-in-chief of the Sophomore number. He takes an active interest in all literary affairs.

Mr. Cottingham is one of the best known of the S. D. A. C. men. He has won honors in inter-society debates and has displayed marked literary talent. He is associate editor of the 1911 Jack Rabbit, the college annual publication, and is known as an active worker in every college enterprise.

It is evident when these two teams meet there will be a good debate and every effort is being made to make it successful.

According to the contract between the two institutions, South Dakota had the choice of question and side and also two of the judges this year, giving us the same privilege next year. Unfortunately we were unable to obtain the names of the two judges picked by South Dakota in time for this issue.

The judge selected by the A. C. is Prof. Anderson of the University of Minnesota. He is a man who takes a lively interest in intercollegiate debating and is well posted on such subjects. The debators may consider themselves fortunate in securing so prominent a man for the occasion.

As the coming debate is held under the auspices of this institution, there will be considerable expense to meet, and to provide for this a general admission fee of 50 cents will be charged.

Council Elects Board Members

Final Election of Year Takes Place at Spring Meeting of Council.

CHURCHILL IS NEW G. M.

Boards of Athletic and Public Speaking Control Now Complete.

The Students Council held the first meeting of the term last Tuesday and elected two boards, one the student members of the athletic board together with the faculty manager of athletics, and the other the Board of Public Speaking Control.

The members elected on the first board were Prof. Churchill Faculty Manager of Athletics; Chester Holkesvig, Chas. Ruzicka, Frank Darrow, and Palmer Foss, student members of the board. As the board now stands it contains two faculty members elected by the faculty, one faculty member, The General Manager, elected by the Student Council, and four student members elected by the Council. Thus the Athletic Board now consists of Prof. Minard, President; Prof. Slocum, Treasurer; Prof. Churchill, General Manager of Athletics; Chester Holkesvig, Chas. Ruzicka, Frank Darrow and Palmer Foss, student members of the board.

The Board of Public Speaking Control which was elected, consists of Ray Towle, Chairman; LeRoy Gifford, Chester Holkesvig, Edwin Traynor, and Irvin Stotland. This board will have control of all Public Speaking events this spring and also thruout all of next year. The Chairman will reside at all public programs unless circumstances intervene.

Both this Board and the Athletic Board, while they are elected by the Student Council, are left to formulate their own rules of action. These rules will be almost constitutions in themselves. It was the intention of the Council that these boards meet at once and draw up their constitutions this spring, so that probably some action will be taken in the near future.

EVERYBODY HAPPY.

It is reported that the Sophomores introduced an unscheduled act at the Freshies' party Saturday night. The trick was an old one and thus furnished amusement for both classes. The Sophs knew just how to introduce the ammonia and the Freshies were equally familiar with the method of neutralizing the evil mixture. Lack of space forbids a detailed account, but both the Freshies who occupied the reception room above the floor and the enterprising Sophs who occupied spaces between the foundation stones beneath report a very pleasant and profitable evening.

Amos Ewen was at the college the first of the week on a short visit and states that he hopes to be able to return for the remainder of the spring term.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
Executive Department.

Arbor Day Proclamation

Next to the soil, our forests are our most valuable resource, contributing to the making of nearly everything we use in home or profession, regulating the water supply and water flow of stream and river, warming the cold winds of winter, cooling the hot winds of summer, conserving moisture for the nourishment of all plant life, and feeding the ever flowing springs of pure refreshing water; giving life, strength and fertility to the soil itself and protection to all animal and bird life. Unlike our other resources, they need not become exhausted except through our own fault. By united effort we can restore the natural in all its original beauty, and grow forests where trees have never grown before. Every lot or parcel of waste or unsightly land in the state should be made a beauty spot, useful and valuable, by planting in trees, and for the purpose of encouraging the planting and growing of forest trees in this state, and in accordance with a long established custom, I do hereby designate

Friday, April Twenty-second, as Arbor Day

for this state, and I earnestly recommend and request the officers of the different cities and towns throughout the state to unite with the county superintendents of schools and the superintendents and teachers of the public schools of the state, in the preparation and execution of suitable exercises for and on Arbor Day. And I further recommend and request each freeholder in the state to plant as many trees as possible on his own freehold, and let us make this coming Arbor Day a day long to be remembered in the state.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of North Dakota, at the Capitol, this ninth day of April, A. D. 1910.

(Seal)

JOHN BURKE, Governor.

By the Governor:

ALFRED BLAISDELL, Secretary of State.

Gov. Burke Attends

Last Board Meeting

Much Important Business Is Transacted At Regular April Meeting.

PLANS ARE APPROVED.

Plans For New Chemical Building Receive Official O. K. — Six Added to Faculty.

Governor Burke was at the college last Tuesday to attend the meeting of the Board of Trustees, which on account of the large amount of important business to be transacted was one of special significance. The plans for the Chemical Building came up for final consideration and six new members were added to the faculty in addition to the usual routine business.

The plans for the Chemical Building which were prepared by Haxby and Gillespie of this city met with the approval of the Trustees and final bids on the building will be opened on the tenth of May. The cost of the completed structure will be in the neighborhood of \$90,000. It was in connection with the approval of these plans that Gov. Burke found it necessary to be present, as chairman of the Emergency Commission.

Six new members on the faculty were elected as follows:

H. A. Hard to succeed Prof. Willard as Professor of Geology.

A. F. Schalk to succeed Prof. Cliff as Assistant Professor in the Veterinary Department.

G. E. Miller to be instructor in Biology.

A. McMeans Assistant Horticulturist.

E. E. Ware to succeed Dr. Abbott who is to leave at the close of the present term.

Nellie L. Thompson to be assistant in the Department of Home Economics.

In addition to the election of

CONVOCATION

A blockade on the road made it impossible for Supt. Davis of Amenia to be present to deliver yesterday's address, as had been planned. President Worst acted as substitute, speaking on "Man's Dominion Over Nature."

Arbor Day exercises will be held from 10 to 12 Friday, and in consequence of this there will be no convocation exercises next Monday.

Preps Lose In

Lively Debate

Carrington Highs Get Decision In Favor of Mayor and Council Government.

DEBATERS SHOW ABILITY

Both Team Have Good Delivery Local Preps Put up Good Fight.

In a hard fought debate on the commission plan of city government the local Preps lost to the Carrington High School last Friday night. Both teams showed good form in presenting their arguments and the contest was an interesting one from beginning to end.

Some delay was caused at the beginning of the evening program by the non appearance of Prof. A. G. Crane of Jamestown who was to have acted as one of the judges. It was finally found that his train was blocked and at the last moment, Supt. Hoover, was to preside, was drafted into the as the third judge. Pres. Worst then acted as the presiding officer.

The program opened with music by the High School Girl's Quartette. The debate was opened under the following rules: "Each speaker in his opening address is allowed ten minutes. "The first four speakers in rebuttal are allowed five minutes.

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HANNON RECEIVES OFFER FROM N. P.

Excellent Position as Foreman On N. P. Vegetable Gardens Offered to College Gardener.

Mr. Thomas Hannon, the garden foreman at the college has received an offer from the Northern Pacific Railway Co. of a position at Paradise Montana, as foreman of a tract of land upon which the N. P. grows vegetables for use in the dining car service. The dining car garden consists of 240 acres near the Flat Head Indian Reservation. Mr. Hannon was chosen in preference to any men representing the group of agricultural colleges among which were, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and Minnesota.

Mr. Hannon is the fourth man from the A. C. who have received a good position from the N. P. The other three being students two of which went to Hillsboro, accepting positions at sixty dollars a month and board. The third student Thomas Killand, went to the soldiers home at Lisbon, where he fills a good position. There also was a man wanted to plant trees along the Great Northern but Prof. Waldron was unable to recommend a man for the position. Mr. Hannon intends to take a trip to Montana, sometime this week to look over the position offered to him.

MERCER WILL BE HIGH SCHOOL PROF.

Prominent Senior Secures Excellent Position In Canby, Minnesota.

William Mercer, of the Senior Class, and special student in the Department of Biology, has lately accepted a very satisfactory position in the Canby, Minnesota, High School. Mr. Mercer is to teach Agricultural Botany and superintend the school farm, which has been established in connection with that High School. The school also plans to carry on a type of agricultural extension in co-operation with the farmers of the district and this work will be under the supervision of Mr. Mercer.

Mr. Mercer has taken the regular Agricultural Course and carried a Student Scholarship in the Department of Biology. During the summers he has been working with Professor Bolley in the plant breeding gardens, and he will therefore go to his new work at the Canby High School extremely well fitted to carry out the agricultural ideas which that school wishes to introduce.

At the present time Mr. Mercer is at Canby laying out and seeding the plots of the Demonstration Farm, after which he will return and finish his work for graduation.

This position in Canby is one of the best of the High School positions open this year for work in agriculture and Mr. Mercer is to be congratulated upon securing it.

BOLLEY CORRESPONDS WITH FLAX GROWERS.

Seed. Commissioner. Cooperates With Farmers in Breeding Immune Seed Flax.

Prof. Bolley has sent out his third annual letter to farmers co-operating with him in breeding resistant flax. In this letter, Prof. Bolley gives instructions as to how to prepare the land and plant the seed. He also keeps a record of all farmers who have bought seed of the former cooperator and it is to these farmers that this letter is sent. If any of the persons raising resistant flax do not receive this letter they should write Professor Bolley and inform him of the fact.

DEMONSTRATION TRAIN LIKELY TO TOUR STATE.

Arrangements Now Being Made to Send Special Train Along N. P. Line.

Plans and arrangements are now being made for a novel form of institute and extension work to be put into effect during the month of June. The intention is to send a demonstration train along the lines of the Northern Pacific in this state. Stops will be made at all the important towns, and demonstrations and lectures will be given in connection with the exhibits which will be taken along.

Already considerable correspondence has been carried on and at present the plans seem quite certain to materialize. The N. P. is now fitting out a demonstration train to be used along its lines in Montana late in June, and later in Washington, and it is likely that it can be engaged for this state before going farther west. The train will be especially equipped for the purpose of carrying the speakers and exhibits. There will be a diner and sleeper so that the speakers may live entirely on the train, and three cars will be devoted to exhibits. One of these will be a flat car on which will be the most improved dry farming machinery, while the other two will contain various exhibits of grain, fruit etc. An animal Husbandry exhibit will also be an important feature.

An efficient corps of institute speakers accompany the demonstration train and a number of addresses will be given in each town at which the train stops. It is proposed to start out on June 6 and spend two weeks on the road, during which time about 36 towns will be visited. This will in a way take the place of the farmers' excursions to the college and farm which have been held in former years, and the aim throughout will be to encourage better agriculture and give the farmers new and helpful suggestions.

The proposed plan will not interfere with the regular institute direction of the College of Agriculture and finally judged by an expert, at a corn show to be held in each county in the fall.

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The School of Traction Engineering will open its fourth summer session June 6th and will close July 2nd. It will take up a very thorough study of the steam and gasoline engine. Any one who is interested in this should write to Prof. C. I. Gunness.

The Poultry Department is carrying on some extensive experiments on the lines of intensive and extensive poultry culture. This spring fifty chickens will be yarded and fifty will have free range. A study will be made of the egg production, also of the size of the egg and the weight of the bird as well. Another study is being made with the view to determine if there is any relation between the size of the egg and the size of the hen. Experiments are also being carried out on the production of eggs on typical North Dakota rations.

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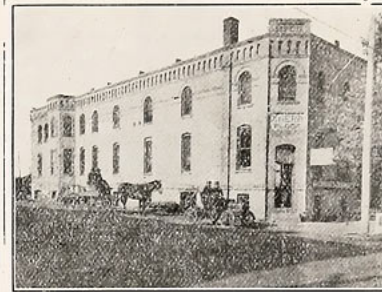
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SIX ADDITIONS TO THE FACULTY.

Board. Elects. Three. Professors and Three Instructors at Last Meeting.

Of the six new faculty members elected at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Messrs. McMeans and Schalk took up their work at the college the first of the present month and have already been mentioned. The other four will not assume their positions till the beginning of the next school year in September.

H. A. Hard, who is to fill the position of Professor of Geology, which was left vacant by the resignation of Prof. Willard is at present located at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He received his B. S. at the Ohio Wesleyan and is at present doing graduate work at Ann Arbor. He expects to receive his doctorate during the summer before coming here. As a teacher he has had several years experience in high school work in which he met with good success. He has also had experience in the government service doing soil survey work. He is highly recommended for the position and seems well fitted to take up the management of the Geology department.

E. E. Ware will take charge of the work in industrial chemistry when Dr. Abbott leaves at the end of the spring term. Mr. Ware graduated from the University of Michigan in 1904 and since that time has been engaged in practical industrial chemistry, gaining very favorable notice in that field. For some time he was chemical manager of a cement plant in Kansas. At present he is doing advanced work at Ann Arbor. As an instructor he has had considerable experience at that place and has shown capability in the work.

Mr. George Miller, present professor of science at the Jamestown High School was elected instructor in Biology in the Agricultural and Manual training High School. Mr. Miller has been a successful teacher in the Jamestown High School and for two years previous to going there was located at the Devils Lake High School. His work here will be chiefly along the lines of Agricultural Botany and Economic Bacteriology. This addition will greatly relieve the present worker in the Biological Department. Mr. Miller is well recommended for the position which he is to occupy.

Miss Nellie Thompson was elected to the position of instructor in the Home Economics Department, to take up her duties there on the first of September. Miss Thompson will graduate from the Kansas Agricultural College in June, receiving the B. S. degree in the Domestic Science Course at that institution. She is the daughter of George Thompson who was for many years in the employ of the U. S. Department of Agriculture as an expert on angora goats.

It is likely that one or two more instructors will be added to the faculty before the beginning of the beginning of the next school year to keep up with the rapid growth of the various departments.

Among the new books is one of special interest to Agriculturalists on Soil Fertility and Permanent Agriculture by Prof. Hopkins of Illinois. This book treats in a thoro and exhaustave manner the subject with which it deals.

IMPROVEMENTS IN MACHINE SHOPS.

Prof. Erickson Installs New Equipment — Plate Girder Being Made.

During the past week there has been installed in the Machine shop three new chucks for the different lathes. One is a monster and will be used on the big lathe. This chuck is independent, universal, and reversible, as is the next smallest one while the smallest one is a three jawed universal chuck.

In addition to these chucks there has been added a planer vise which will materially increase the usefulness of the big planer. Prof. Erickson has been gradually doing away with the lacings on the belts until now all except one or two are glued. Another improvement which has long been needed but until recently was never consummated was for someone to clean up the tray in which the oil cans stand. As this is a particularly delicate job Prof. Erickson would trust no one else but himself to do it and after a day's hard labor the bottom was once more visible.

The mechanical Department has under the process of construction a built up Plate Girder which will be used for demonstration purposes in the Civil Engineering Department. This will soon be finished, and then it can be used by Prof. Lembecke in his class in Details.

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO COLLEGE TRACK MEET.

Twenty-six Prizes Will Be Offered Only Four May be Held by One Man.

The attention of all the students is called to the College track meet to be held a week after the State High School meet. This will consist of the usual thirteen events besides the relay with two prizes in each division. That will make 26 prizes besides a special prize to be placed in the relay. No person will be allowed to compete in more than four events so there will be a chance for anybody who wishes to compete. Every student who has time should go out and practise for some event. The winners will represent the A. C. in the University track meet. The intention is to make the relay race a special feature, as a race between two rival classes or departments.

Prof. Richards has been appointed Superintendent at the State Fair to be held here this summer. He is now compiling a list of prizes to be offered. He is also receiving numerous requests from Secretaries of County fairs throughout the state asking for assistance in arranging a live stock classification for the premium lists.

Its an ill wind that blows no good. The debris of the Chemical building is being used to fill the yards around the barns. This will make a firm foundation upon which the bricks will be laid eadewise. This will make an excellent pavement.

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A number of the candidates who took the State Board Veterinary examination held in Fargo last Tuesday and Wednesday were visitors to the Veterinary Department Thursday forenoon.

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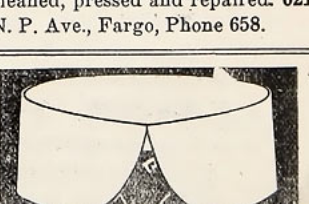
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Weather conditions may be blamed for the small attendance at the High School debate last Friday night as it was not strange that very few cared to venture out in the blizzard. Next Friday night we expect good weather and a good crowd. If the weather refuses to cooperate with us in the matter we intend to be there anyhow.

A blizzard may stop a baseball game but a forensic contest is not effected by atmospheric conditions and after the long months of preparation for the coming one, the student body will be showing poor spirit indeed if they do not turn out in force.

One side will of course lose, and we may be on the losing side, but after all the decision of the judges cannot be said to decide the success or failure of a team and the institution it represents. We know our team is prepared to quit both themselves and the college most creditably, and it only remains for the students to be present in a body to make the occasion a decided success and a fitting beginning for the series of intercollegiate debates which we hope will be a yearly event in future.

Of course we want to win, and mean to make every honest effort to do so, but it must be remembered that an occasion of this kind has a far deeper significance than a mere trial as to which side can present the strongest evidence for or against a given question. It is a measure of the loyalty and patriotism of the students and the showing which they make in this respect will be remembered long after the question at issue and the decision thereon are forgotten.

Less than a month now remains before the regular spring inspection of the college Cadet Battalion and Band much remains to be done to get the boys in readiness for the ceremony. Particularly is this true of the band.

Out of justice to the band men, however, there are certain facts which should be taken into accounts before commenting too harshly on the small number that have been appearing for inspection. A number of the band men are without uniforms and it is against the rules to appear for inspection without full uniform. All those who are now without are members who are drilling overtime and accordingly should receive uniforms from the college. Up to this time there has been less urgent need of full equipment but now that inspection is drawing near the boys are beginning to wonder about those uniforms. If prompt action is not taken the band will be crippled by the absence of a number of its most important members, on May 14.

With the meeting held last Tuesday the Student Council practically finished its work for the year and a strenuous year it has been. Beginning early last fall the plan for changing from the old general assembly form to the representative system of government now in power, began to take form, and from that time on there was constant activity along that line.

The election of the boards of Athletic and Public Speaking Control last week marked the final step in the year's work. The Council is now securely established, and the old athletic and oratorical associations have been replaced by boards of control which promise far better results than the old system.

All this has required much careful thought and no little work on the part of the officers of the Council and great credit is due President McKinstry for his untiring efforts in carrying this work to a successful completion.

Prof. Doneghue enlarging the plant breeding work. He will begin work on breeding peas and soy beans, and new varieties of corn will be introduced. The ear-row method will be used i. e. one-half of the selected ear will be planted in a row by itself and the rest saved. Notice will be taken on each row as to growth, yield and diseases. The second year the remainder of the corn from the ears that have been proven best will be planted where they can be bred pure. The work on wheat, oats, barley, alfalfa, clover, buckwheat and millet will be continued on the centgene plan.

Clyde Bailey left for Washington Friday evening to be gone for some days. He will go by way of Manhattan, Kansas, where he will confer with Mr. Fitz and will proceed thence to Washington to write a report of the year's work at the baking laboratory at this station.

It's great to be popular. According to current rumor, competition became so lively at the dormitory Friday night that a number of the girls drew straws to decide who should use Darling's second ticket to the debate.

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The professors who went on the trip to New Orleans were snowbound and failed to appear on Monday according to schedule.

BANQUET TONIGHT.

The session of the Laymen's Missionary Convention which will be held in Fargo for the next two days will open tonight with a banquet in the College Armory. This convention is especially for the purpose of interesting business men in the various phases of missionary work. Conventions similar to this are being held throught the country.

Madge Baker who has been ill at St. Johns Hospital for some is now nearly recovered, and will soon leave for her home at Wall-halla.

Supt. T. A. Hoverstad returned from Williston on Friday morning.

Howard Darling intends to go to his claim in South Dakota some time this week, if the weather becomes sufficiently favorable.

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Among the articles in the last issue of the Farm Stock and Home are two by A. C. graduates one on alfalfa in Western Dakota by B. R. Waldron and another by George Grout on Dairy inspection.

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Other details of business were the authorization of the erection of a residence at the new Hettinger Sub-Station and of a seed house at the Dickenson Sub-Station, the paving of the pig lots at the college barns and the establishment of a deer park to the rear of the farm house. It was also decided to purchase sufficient scenery for the college theatricals. Thus in future it will not be necessary to produce scenery for each individual play.

The regular "board dinner" was served by the Home Economics Department in Francis Hall at five in the afternoon. Gov. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Ladd and Mrs. Yoder were guests at this function. The Home Economics girls proved themselves quite equal to the occasion and the dinner was a most decided success.

Y. W. C. A.

At the regular devotional meeting on last Wednesday evening, Miss Ella Heidner spoke on the subject, "Have I an Aim?" She spoke on the necessity of having an aim in life and this aim should lead to the one great end—that of eternal life.

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Later in the evening the entire party attended the Grand, where the fraternity boys had engaged a box for the evening. In spite of the unfavorable weather, their entertainment proved an unalloyed success, demonstrating once more the ability of the Alpha Mus as entertainers. Miss Hoover acted as chaperone during the afternoon and evening.

FRESHIES HOLD SOCIAL SESSION

Francis Hall Is Scene of Jolly and Informal Class Party.

Saturday night's blizzard did not in any way dampen the spirits of the Freshies who made merry with a party in Francis Hall during the evening. Committees were busy all day preparing for the occasion and early in the evening the entire class gathered for a social evening.

Various games and dancing furnished amusement during the early hours until the proper moment arrived for the banquet which was a prominent feature of the occasion. After this more games and dancing were indulged in till at a late hour the party dispersed with the pleasant conviction that they were quite capable of getting up a most successful party without assistance from anyone.

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Prof. A. McMeans of the Guelph Agricultural College, Canada, comes to the A. C. as assistant to Prof. Waldron in horticulture. He will assist both in teaching and the improvement of vegetables, especially tomatoes, sweet corn, mellons and early potatoes. The Horticultural Department is in receipt of quite a shipment of bullpine, Jackpine Siberian Larch which goes into the tree plantation. New varieties of the tree and bush fruits that seem to have promise for this section will

soon reach the station to be tried out as well as a number of ornamental shrubs.

The Spectrum has a last been recognized as a news venter of the first rank. The initiation process will take place in the near future when the farm hands sue for criminal libel in connection with the article run two weeks ago telling about their unsuccessful strike for higher wages. Its going to be great. They demand a certain sum of money to sooth their shattered character and a discontinuance of publication.

It is said that Edwin Evingson is thinking seriously of running for watch inspector in this state. He tested the first watch last week by running Alfred Anderson's through the centrifuge in the soil laboratory. As a result it is now in the hospital. If you have a watch which is not very reliable, better send it to him to have it tested. His charges will no doubt be moderate.

Ethel Dolan has been ill for the past few days.

For the last three years a short graduate course in Agriculture has been held at the different prominent Agricultural Colleges every summer under the auspices of the American Association of Agricultural Colleges. This year that course will be held in Iowa State College at Ames Iowa. The lecturers will be among the very best to be found in the world in their respective lines. Only graduate students will be admitted. Prof. Doneghue is the only one from this College who is sure of going at present.

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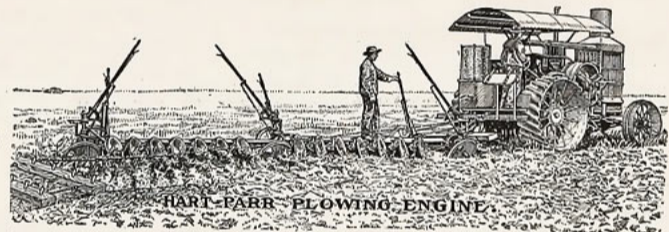
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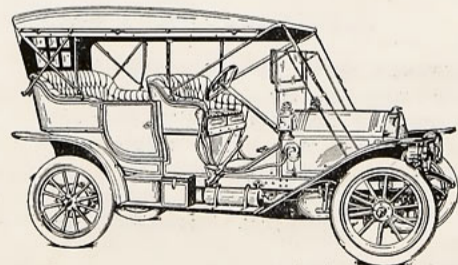
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PERSONAL

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The sudden change in the weather the last of the week deprived the baseball enthusiasts of the first game on the season's schedule.

During the past week the Freshies have posted their defiance of the Sophs and declare themselves ready to accept any and all challenges. The latest plans call for both a track meet and a cane rush of which the cane rush is to be the deciding event.

Dr. Bell is rapidly recovering from the operation which he underwent recently and will soon be able to leave the hospital.

The meeting of the Student Council last Tuesday settled most of the standing political issues of the day, so that student politics are likely to be rather quiet for the rest of the term.

The time of the appearance of the Agricultural and Manual Training High School Catalog is still indefinite as the printing is going very slowly.

Chas. Ruzicka made a short business trip to Detroit Thursday afternoon, returning early the next morning.

Target practice was held in the afternoon instead of the forenoon this last Friday, so that the cadets would not be compelled to miss classes. Some very good shooting was done. Ole Hagen got the highest mark, with a score of forty two.

Prof. Householder is having charge of Prof. Dolve's class in surveying while the latter is away at New Orleans. The class is somewhat handicapped by lack of instruments which have been ordered but have not arrived as yet.

The third annual report of the Supt. of Demonstration farms of N. Dak. is now off the press. It contains a detailed report of the system of crop rotation used on the different farms and the results on the crops, also reports on soil analyses, on milling tests of wheat from the different demonstration farms and other useful information.

The Horticultural Department is expecting several assignments of apples and plum trees also bush fruits which will probably arrive within the week. These will be planted east of the Green House and south of the tracks. There will be also some ornamental bushes such as French lilacs and Dahlias which will be used for both ornamental and experimental purposes.

The Laymen of Fargo will give a banquet which will be held at the A. C. Armory Tuesday night, April 19. There will be over five hundred present.

Prof. Bergman delivered an address at Minot last Saturday before the North Western Teachers Association. His subject was "Birds and Their Relation to Agriculture." He used stereopticon views to illustrate his talk, the slides having been prepared by Dr. Bell.

Clarence Waldron has been offered a position at Dickenson breeding alfalfa at a establishment

which has been installed there. He has engaged, however to work for Professor Bolley, this summer studying the diseases of wheat. He will be required to mount specimens and make notes upon their condition.

W. R. Porter, Supt. of Demonstration Farms, reports that alfalfa is ten inches high at Bismarck and six inches at Beach. Warden Hellstrom at Bismarck is sowing fourteen acres of alfalfa on the strength of the success on the demonstration farm. He also reports clover doing well.

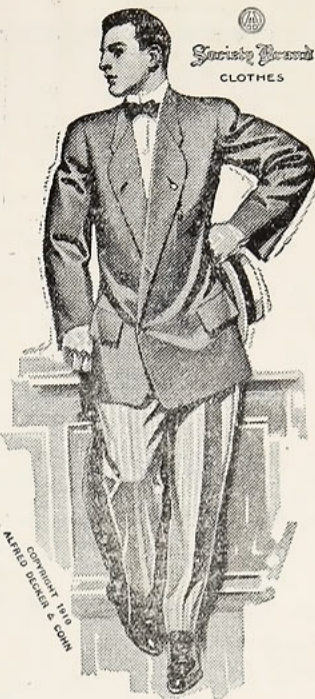
Prof. Richards reports that there have been 1,650 applications for licenses under the new stallion law. Temporary licenses are issued. About May 1st veterinary examinations be held at different parts of the state. After the examinations a one year license will be granted to those that successfully pass the examination which is the most exacting of any state in the Union. A horse under ten years must be re-examined in three years. The examiners have been selected by the board for their reputation and integrity. The law is being complied with very freely, in fact stallion owners seem anxious to do so.

Prof. G. W. Randlett, Supt. of the Extension Department, has just sent corn to twenty-eight county sperintendents for corn club work, and there are yet two counties to be supplied. Last year he had twenty out of the forty-five counties engaged in this work, and 5,000 students taking part. Illinois had about 1,100 students and only two out of the 102 counties organized. Iowa had 4,400. Indiana and Ohio had each 5,000. This shows that the work which is comparatively new here has developed very rapidly.

Registrar A. H. Parrot is in receipt of a letter from the New York State Board of Education stating that the B. S. degree offered by the North Dakota Agricultural College is satisfactory in any of their courses requiring a B. S. degree as entrance.

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"The closing speaker on each side is allowed seven minutes."

Roy Dynes was the first speaker on the Affirmative and stated the question: "Resolved, that the commission plan of city government as provided for in chapter 45 of the session laws of North Dakota, 1907, is superior to the Mayor and Council System". The omission plan was explained to mean a city government by a board of five commissioners to be elected at large. One of the five shall act as the president of the board, while each of the other four shall act as the head of one of the departments of the city. The mayor and council system referred to was accepted as meaning the common form now in general use.

This form of government was attacked on the ground that it required too many officials and thus gave too much chance for graft, and that it was expensive and inefficient, various instances being cited in evidence of these assertions.

Harrison Brown then took up the argument from the side of the Negative, and, accepting the definition of the question as stated by the affirmative, went on to show that centralization of power was desirable in city government and that this should only be obtained by such a plan as the mayor and council system. He also cited cases where the commission form had been tried and had been proved a failure.

The second speaker on the Affirmative was Irwin Storland who proceeded to explain the commission form of government in some detail, and pointed out the simplicity and business like manner in which the affairs of the city were managed. Moreover, the election at large did away with ward politics which are in so many respects undesirable, and by having only five men their actions might be much more closely watched by the people whom they represented than if there were a large number of officials.

Mabel Hogue next took up the argument for the Negative. She declared that the mayor and council formed a perfect system by which each could act as a check on the other, and insure the proper management of affairs, while with a commission, there is no check on any of the members or departments and confusion results. The commission was also

attacked as undemocratic and accordingly out of harmony with American institutions.

The closing argument on the Affirmative was delivered by Max Waldron who devoted most of his time to the presentation of facts concerning cities in which the commission plan is in operation. It was shown that in these cities the debts were paid off, taxes lowered and the general tone of the city greatly improved. From the success with which commission government was being met in these cities it was evident that the plan was passed the experimental stage and was on a firm footing.

Walter Hutcheson closed the debate for the Negative. He argued that commission government could not succeed, because it had no definite head, and because in any government there must be both legislative and executive functions which, he contended were impossible with only five men. In addition to this it was argued that five men were not enough to cover the affairs of a large city, while the mayor and council form was claimed to be more adaptable to the changing needs of municipality.

This closed the direct arguments and individual rebuttals followed in the order of the sers. In many respects the rebuttals proved the most interesting part of the debate and many of speakers. In many respects the rebuttals proved the most interesting part of the debate, and many of the best points for both sides were made at that time. One of the most effective blows delivered by the Negative was the reading of a letter from Mr. Packard, president of the board of commissioners at Mandan where that form of government is in practice, strongly opposed to the commission plan.

While the decision of the judges was being taken the audience was favored with a cornet solo by Dr. Putnam which was well received. Pres. Worst then announced the decision which was in favor of the Negative. This marked the fourth victory for Carrington, giving them a good chance in the finals for the trophy cup offered by the Grand Forks Herald.

Both teams showed debating ability of no mean quality, the arguments being clear and forceful and well delivered. The local debaters did especially creditable work in delivery and proved themselves debaters of great promise.

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