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## A. C. Defeats The Moorhead Normal

Game Friday Results In Score A. C. 26; Normal 14.

### PLAY IS SLOW. Neither Team Does Spectacular Work.

Last Friday Night our basket ball team added another victory to their credit when they won from the Moorhead Normal School by a score of 26 to 14. The gym was crowded with enthusiastic rooters from both schools but the A. C. students outnumbered those from the Normal and had the best of the cheering. This game was not on the scheduled list but was played to fill the vacancy left when Valley City cancelled their game with us for that night. Our team has beaten the Valley City "bunch" once this season and had we played them again it is probable that the V. C. would have been defeated a second time.

At eight o'clock the Moorhead team lined up against our fellows and play was begun. The Normal boys were "husky" and played good ball but they lacked ability to shoot baskets and at no time during the 40 minutes of play was the A. C. team hard pressed. In comparison with their playing in other contests so far this season our team put up a poor game but this was undoubtedly due to the fact that they were playing against a team unable to make them use all their speed. In the first half A. C. made six field baskets and one foul while they allowed the Normal only three points and those from fouls. The score was then 12 to 3.

Between halves Coach Rueber gave our team one of his confidential, heart to heart talks, the kind he hands out when he thinks the fellows have been "loafing". And in the second half they moved around the floor in a lively style. Moorhead also came back strong and the second part of the game was more interesting.

The A. C. team made the same number of points in the second half as in the first, but the Normals greatly increased their score. They made 3 field baskets and five fouls. The baskets were distributed as follows: A. C.: Clark four field baskets and one foul, Wheeler two baskets, Haskins four, Bridge one, and Peterson one; Moorhead: Trost one, Burke two, and Tjorne eight fouls.

The line-up was as follows:  
A. C.— Moorhead.  
Drummond & Bridge f Trost  
Clark f Wood  
Wheeler c Burke  
Peterson g Tjorn  
Haskins g Anderson

Students of Minnesota who intend to enter business after graduation have organized a commercial club.

Secretary Wolf of the Y. M. C. A. will speak on The Truth About Panama at the regular Wednesday afternoon meeting.

## Band Realy Takes LongPlanned Trip

Valley City Is Scene of the First Out of Town Concert.

That proposed "band trip" which has been common laughing stock for a number of years past is no longer a joke, not in the former sense at least. Even the oldest student cannot remember the time when more or less promising plans for such a tour to include certain of the leading cities of the state, were not afoot. For at least two student generations beginners in the first band have looked forward to the consummation of this delightful possibility, until continued disappointment lead them to assume the pessimistic attitude which finally marked them as seasonal bandmen.

This year fortune favored the hopeful and in spite of the gloomy pessimism of the elder members, the unexpected happened. The Board decided to furnish the necessary financial backing to send the band out for at least two concerts. It was decided at first to go to Valley City and Jamestown and later to Casselton, but as it was found impossible to make satisfactory arrangements with Jamestown, it was decided to take in only Valley City and Casselton as an experiment, spending one night in each place.

In accordance with these arrangements the entire band with Secretary Yoder as business manager, left on the early morning train for Valley City last Friday morning.

Arriving at their destination shortly before noon, they marched to the Armory where the concert was to be given and deposited their luggage. The party then adjourned to the hotel for dinner after a rehearsal was held to put the final touches on the evening's program. The balance of the afternoon was spent as each individual saw fit, the chief point of interest during this period seeming to be the Normal School.

Thus the time passed pleasantly till evening. Shortly after supper the band repaired to the Armory to be in readiness for the program. The curtain went up at 8:30. The program rendered was considerably longer than that given at the Grain Growers' Convention, and, accordingly, an intermission was given dividing it into two parts.

The concert lasted until nearly ten, after which the band played for dancing until shortly after midnight. The entertainment was quite well attended by the town people.

With their labors over, the weary musicians returned to the hotel where they regaled themselves with a midnight lunch before retiring. It was some time before the turbulent spirits of the party would allow of repose and the small hours of the night were at hand before quiet finally prevailed.

At five in the morning every one turned out and after a hasty breakfast, boarded the early train

## Y. W. . A. Gives An Afternoon Reception

Member and Friends Enjoy Social Hour in Francis Hall.

On last Saturday afternoon the Young Woman's Christian Association was at home to the girls in attendance at the college, the lady members of the faculty and friends at Francis Hall from three to five o'clock.

The rooms occupied by the Domestic Science departments were made pleasant and home-like by the use of decorations appropriate for such occasions. Pennants and streamers of crepe paper adorned the walls and the fragrant odor of large bouquets of fresh geranium blossoms and ferns filled the rooms.

Throughout the afternoon games and contests of various sorts were enjoyed although music was perhaps the chief feature of the program.

Refreshments of orange ice and assorted cakes were served and after the singing of our Alma Mater and repeating the College Yells, the guests departed having enjoyed a most delightful afternoon.

## NOTICE.

Beginning with February 1 and not later than February 10, all classes and organizations are requested to have their group pictures taken for the Junior Annual. Consult either the business manager or the editor for appointments.

H. M. DODGE.

Don't fail to hear Secretary Wolf of Panama.

### Agassiz.

Commencing this week, all those wishing to subscribe for the 1911 Agassiz will be given an opportunity to do so in order that the business management may make final arrangements for the printing of additional copies over the number contracted for.

All the departments of the college will be canvassed as rapidly as possible, but as this will of necessity take considerable time you can greatly assist us, and facilitate the progress of the work by cheerfully responding when approached by our solicitors.

Look up the notice of tomorrow's Y. M. C. A. meeting.

for Fargo. To pass the time while on the train an impromptu glee club was organized and with song and other harmless amusements the time was pleasantly beguiled until the train arrived in Fargo shortly before nine.

As a whole, the trip was far from discouraging. The boys showed much better form in all their playing than on any previous occasion, and individually and collectively they report a trip long to be remembered.

## College Declamatory Next Friday Evening

Seven Will Compete in Final Contest. Traynor to Preside.

The college declamatory contest will be held Friday evening at 8:15 p. m. sharp in the Armory.

President of the evening—Edwin Traynor.

Music—Selected.

Scene from "The Rivals"—Syvia Hurd.

The Lance of Kanana — Ella Heidner.

The Curfew Shall Not Ring Tonight—Edwin Evingson.

The Burgomaster's Death—Philip Meighen.

Going of the White Swan—Ben Barrett.

Sign of the Cross—Ruby Gibbens.

The Advocate's First Plea—Edgar Olson.

Music—Selected.

Judges—C. D. Spaulding of Fargo High School, Prof. David Milbreath of Fargo College and A. T. Cole.

The contest will be of particular interest to every student and it is hoped that at least eight hundred will be present.

"The Truth About Panama" will be the subject of the address at tomorrow's Y. M. C. A. meeting.

### Richards to Judge.

Prof. Richards has been requested to judge horses at the Manitoba from March 6th to the 20th. This show has one of the largest exhibits of horses in the country even excelling the International Live Stock Show in this respect. Like the Tri-State Grain Grower's Convention it always has many other attractions with it, in meetings of stock and grain growers' associations.

### F. H. Commencement Planned.

The Farm Husbandry Commencement will be held March 23, when ten or twelve Farm Husbandry students will graduate. The exercises will probably be held in the Armory, and plans for elaborate decorations are being made. The program of the evening will be as follows:—

Music ..... Selected  
President's Address .....  
..... Wm. Maxwell  
Class History and Prophecy....  
Essay ..... Urban Ebner  
Essay ..... Urban Montgomery  
Music ..... Selected  
Principal Address .....  
..... E. D. Steward of Langdon  
Music ..... Selected  
Granting of Diplomas.  
Reception.

The telephones of the college were badly mixed up over Saturday and Sunday which lead to a great deal of confusion on all sides.

Now is the time to buy L System suits, "The Hub," Moorhead.

## CONVOCAATION

The convocation address last Monday was delivered by Dean Sheppard on the topic "The Development of the Red River Valley." The talk was highly interesting and instructive tracing the development up to modern times.

Next week the program will be the regular musical one in charge of Dr. Putnam.

## Student Council Assumes Duties

First Meeting of New Representative Body Is Held on Thursday.

### NEW CONSTITUTION DRAFTED.

Proposed Constitution and By-Laws Pass First Reading by Unanimous Vote.

On Thursday afternoon the Student Council which was decided upon during the fall term to take the place of the old Student Organization, held its first meeting at which time a partial organization was effected.

The principal purpose of the meeting was the consideration of a new constitution to take the place of that of the old organization. As an amended constitution had already been drawn up it was only necessary to read and compare it with the old one. No changes were made in the proposed constitution and it passed its first reading by a unanimous vote. As it must be passed at two regular meetings before it can go into effect, the council adjourned until next Tuesday afternoon when the constitution will come up for its final reading.

Below is given the proposed constitution and by-laws in full:

### Constitution and By-Laws of the N. D. A. C. Student Council.

The Constitution of the Student's Organization to be amended to read as follows:  
**Article I.**

Section 1—This body shall be known as the Student's Council of the North Dakota Agricultural College.

Section 2—The members of the Student's Council shall consist of five representatives from each of the four College classes, two representatives from each of the three Manual Training High School Classes, and one representative from each of the following special courses: Home Economics, Farm Husbandry, Pharmacy, and Power Machinery. In case the institution shall organize other special courses requiring at least 15 months work, one representative shall be allowed from each of these special courses. All representatives shall be elected by the members of the class or course

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**Prices Of Admission  
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Full Data on Coming Contests  
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**February 4.**  
Annual College Declamatory Contest—N. D. A. C. Armory.  
Prizes—1st Place, Gold Medal.  
—2nd Place, Silver Medal.  
Medals are given by President J. H. Worst.  
Admission free.

**February 11.**  
Annual College Declamatory Contest—College Chapel.

Prizes—1st Place, Five Dollars.  
—2nd Place, Book.  
—3rd Place, Magazine.  
Admission Free.

**February 18.**  
Prizes—1st Place, Gold Medal.  
Annual Short Course Declamatory Contest—College Chapel.

Prizes—1st Place, \$5 Gold Piece.  
—2nd Place, Public Speaking Book.  
—3rd Place, Debate Book.

**February 18.**  
High School Debate—Valley City vs. Agric. and Manual Training High School at Valley City, N. D.

**February 22.**  
Y. W. C. A. Play "Our Girls in Camp"—N. D. A. C. Armory.  
Admission 35c.

**February 25.**  
Annual Oratorical Contest—N. D. A. C. Armory.  
Prizes—1st Place, Trustees Prize \$35.00.  
—2nd Place, Trustees Prize \$15.00.  
Admission 25c.

**March 4.**  
Non-Partisan National Political Convention—N. D. A. C. Armory.  
Admission—Students 25c; Other 50c.

**March 23.**  
Farm Husbandry Commencement Exercises—College Chapel.  
Note—Details of all programs will appear in the Weekly Spectrum.

Dr. Abbott has installed an emergency still in the organic laboratory which, while it is entirely home made, is giving the most satisfactory results. It is constructed of a discarded kerosene can, some glass tubing and a little rubber hose, yet is quite as good so far as utility is concerned as any still which could be bot.

A hood has also been arranged out of sheet iron with a stove pipe leading out of one of the windows which is doing good service.

According to past custom, clinics classes are being held every Saturday morning in the amphitheatre of the Veterinary building under the direction of Drs. Cliff and Harris.

**Congressman Hanna  
Secures Year Books**

400 Copies to be Allotted To This  
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tribution.

The 1909 Year Book has recently been issued, and in accordance with their usual custom the college has endeavored to procure as many copies as possible for distribution among the students of the Agricultural Department.

Congressman Hanna of this state kindly took it upon himself to act in behalf of the institution in the matter, and has been able to procure 400 copies, which will be distributed by the Agricultural Department as soon as they arrive. These books are of great interest and value to all who are interested in agriculture, and the students of that department are very much pleased that so large a number could be procured.

A great deal of credit is due to Congressman Hanna for his efficient action in getting these books as it involves not only considerable work but often more or less expense. The securing of so liberal a number of copies for this college is greatly appreciated by the students.

**Girls Working Hard.**

The Y. W. C. A. Play will be staged Feb. 22, in the armory. The admission will be 35 cents and the proceeds will be used to send delegates to the Geneva Convention next spring. Several loads of special scenery have been secured and the effect secured will be very pleasing. The girls are hard at work getting their parts well learned and the arrangements are progressing very rapidly. Drills are every day occurrences and each participant is striving to make the play a success. The play has an extra good plot with plenty of good vocal music. Arrangements are being made to accommodate a record breaking crowd.

**Advanced Vaudeville.**

The management of the Fargo Opera House will present vaudeville of an advanced type, at popular prices, commencing Monday, January 31. The matter has been under consideration for some time but owing to the difficulty experienced in getting the acts that they desire they have not been able to make any announcement before. This will not conflict in any way with the booking of the big road attractions as the intention is to fill open dates only. Matinees will be given on Monday, Thursday and Saturday. Entire change of program Monday and Thursday. Two performances nightly, 7:30 and 9 o'clock. Prices, entire lower floor 20 cents, balcony and gallery 10 cents. Boxes 30 cents. Matinees 10 cents to all parts of the theatre. Get the Habit.

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Oal Hennis appeared considerably flustered when, as he was slowly wending his weary way toward the Seed House last Saturday afternoon he was confronted by the long line of Y. W. C. A. beauties, and as he was approaching Francis Hall and was congratulating himself on being able to evade the vast majority he was nabbed and nearly floored by one of the fairies. However, with his accustomed diplomacy, etc., etc., he affected a compromise and she grudgingly allowed him to pursue his onward course toward his destined end.

Those white coats that Prof. Ziefe wears are all that is left to remind one that there ever was such a thing as a Veterinary Department in Francis Hall now that the delightful odors that the Vets bequeathed have been permanently replaced by the sweeter perfumes of carbolic acid, phenyl iodide and iodoform.

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One of the Veterinary students received an affirmative reply when he asked the professor if any deduction should be made for the saliva that run into his pipette.  
The High School dance was largely attended by a number of A. C. people after the Basket Ball game Friday evening.  
Prof. Perry of Armour Institution was lecturing on the efficacy of a furnace and boiler, and remarked: "To obtain the highest efficiency from a furnace and boiler we must cut down as much as possible the air supply without hindering combustion."  
To this Sacheim asked—Isn't air cheap?—Ex.

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**Sec. Wolf to Speak.**

A meeting of unusual interest will be held for the men of the college tomorrow, when Secretary Wolf of Panama will speak on The Truth About Panama. Mr. Wolf is well fitted to speak on this subject, being well versed in all phases of life in that country, and is sure to give an address which no man in the institution can afford to miss. The meeting will be held at the usual hour of 4:30, but instead of being in the association room, will be in the Physics lecture room in the Engineering Building.

**German Club.**

The German Club held the regular meeting Friday afternoon. Tho a number of the members absent a very pleasant hour was spent, with various guessing games and conversation.

**KANSANS OBSERVE THEIR STATE DAY**

**Party of Faculty Members Banquet at Hotel Gardner.**

A number of the faculty members who are either natives of the state of Kansas, or have at some time lived there, celebrated Kansas Day Saturday evening with an informal banquet at the Gardner. The party who participated in the celebration were as follows: Miss Hoover, Miss Fowler, Profs. Householder, Stevens, Zieffe, Mr. and Mrs. Fitz and Mr. and Mrs. Parrott.

After ample justice had been done to the sumptuous banquet which had been provided the party adjourned to the hotel parlors where college songs and stories were indulged in.

The entire party report a most enjoyable evening and feel that their celebration of their state day was a decided success.

**Y. W. C. A.**

The devotional meeting on last Wednesday evening, Jan. 26, was on the subject, "What is Worth While" and was lead by Miss Emily May. The speaker took in to account the college girl and confined her remarks principally to that type. Miss May's talk on such a practical subject was made intensely interesting as well as instructive.

The girls of the association who are members of the Freshman class will have charge of the next meeting on Feb. 2nd.

**Agricultural Club.**

A very interesting program was given by the Agricultural Club on Saturday evening.

It consisted of a recitation by Wayne Cochrane, an essay by Lars Reiten on alfalfa, a paper by Carl Hofstrand on Sanitary Coinditions in our Farm Stables and a debate on the question; Resolved: that federal grain inspection would be most beneficial to the American farmer. The decision was for the negative.

At the business meeting it was decided definitely to give the farmers' institute February 12. Only a short program will be given next Saturday evening at 7:30 so

as to give members an opportunity to attend the A. C.—F. C. game. All short course students are urged to join the club and to appear in the program at least once during the term. The purpose of the club is to give you practice in parliamentary practice and public speaking.

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

The regular weekly meeting of this association was held in the association room at 4:30 Wednesday afternoon, when the assembly was addressed by Rev. Leonard. His subject was "The Young Man's Question." In dealing with it he confined himself to no special phase of the topic but rather brought out the many perplexing problems which confront the average young man.

The address itself was short and was followed by a general discussion in which all present took part. This feature of the program proved of special interest.

**PROF. WILLARD GETS EXCELLENT POSITION**

**Sudden Resignation Result of Offer From Northern Pacific Railroad.**

A rather sudden vacancy has been made in the faculty during the past week by the resignation of Prof. Willard, head of the department of Geology. This unexpected change was the result of an excellent offer on the part of the Northern Pacific railroad. The position offered was that of General Development Agent. By closing up his business here as quickly as possible Prof. Willard was able to leave for St. Paul last night and will take up his new duties with the company the first of the month.

His work will be of quite a varied nature, taking in all phases of the development of the territories into which the road penetrates. All matters pertaining to the possibilities of soils, the drainage of swamps or the irrigation of arid lands will come under his supervision. Besides these features of the development of the tillable regions he will investigate the mineral resources along the line and decide upon their value and the possibilities of their utilization. These are only the chief divisions of his work as he will act as general scientific expert in all matters relating to the development of natural resources in the regions traversed by the road. His office will be at the main offices of the road in St. Paul and he will work on all territory between the Twin Cities and the coast.

As a member of the college faculty Prof. Willard came here in 1903 to take charge of the department of Geology which position he has held up to the present time. In connection with his duties here during the school year he has done a great deal of work on the geological and soil survey of the western part of the state, spending the summer months in that occupation. In this position he gave special attention to soil

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investigation doing much original work in that field.

In literary endeavor Prof. Willard has gained himself no little distinction, having written "The Story of the Prairies," and a number of geographical supplements on North Dakota, all of which productions are accepted authority in their line.

It was the wide recognition which Prof. Willard gained as a practical field man which lead to his securing this new position, and it is certain that he is especially well fitted for the rather difficult work which he will take up.

As his headquarters will henceforward be in St. Paul, he will locate permanently there, although he will not move his family from Fargo till spring. While at this

institution Prof. Willard has made many friends who unite in congratulating him on his new position and wishing him continued success.

So little time was given to make arrangements that it has been impossible to make permanent provision for Prof. Willard's classes. At a late moment it was decided to give charge of the work to Miss Spence who has been teaching in the mathematics department. She has had considerable experience in teaching geographical and geological subjects and will be quite competent to carry on the classes for the remainder of the school year.

Let's all go to Moorhead and get L System clothes, "The Hub."

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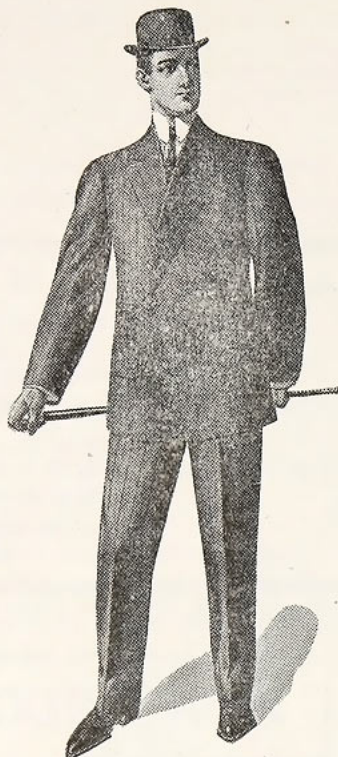
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### From Exam Papers.

The following answers are taken from a number collected by a teacher in the Topeka schools:

"A blizzard is the inside of a hen."

"Oxygen is a thing that has eight sides."

"The cuckoo never lays its own eggs."

"A mosquito is a child of black and white parents."—Ex.

The Girl—Isn't this play tiresome?

The Young Man—It's an awful bore. But there's no use, Miss Pinkie, of your trying to conceal a yawn with that fairy little hand of yours; it can't half cover—er—I mean that is—!—Ex.

Mr. Henry Reddy was a guest at the Dormitory for last Sunday dinner.

## Stockham Speaks On Mineral Oils

Instructive Discussion of Subject Given Before Regular Polytechnic Meeting.

The program of the polytechnic society for last Wednesday consisted of an address by Prof. Stockham on the subject of mineral oils and the state laws governing them.

He took up the matter of the composition of the crude petroleum in some detail, showing the different series of hydro carbons of these series which are contained in petroleum as it comes from the ground. It is that that petroleum was produced by the decomposition of both animal and vegetable matter although this is mere conjecture however, we do know that it always occurs in a layer of and laying between layers of shale, and that by boring down thru this shale we can get at the oil.

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The state laws specify that kerosene to be sold in this state must come up to certain requirements as to flashing point, color, fire test and gravity and in order to enforce these laws they have stationed deputy inspectors at certain places designated as ports of entrance, and these inspectors are expected to take a sample from every car of oil that passes their station and they make certain crude tests of these samples then if they think the oil is all right they let it go ahead, but if there is any doubt as to whether it will come up to specifications they ship the sample to either the Agricultural College or the University and hold the car until they get the returns from the tests.

Similar inspection is carried out upon the gasoline and other petroleum products before they can be sold in the state.

The next meeting will be on Feb. 9th, when Dean Keene will deliver an address on "Modern Illumination."

On hearing one of the students singing, "O, fair co-ed, O, college bred," an OAC youth asked at once, "Is that something new they put out in the Domestic Science department?"—Ex.

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Benjy met a bear—  
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The bear was bulgy,  
The bulge was Benjy.—Ex.

British scientists are making investigations to determine whether a man's head grows larger after maturity. Some men's heads do, occasionally, temporarily.—Ex

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**Thursday Was Day Of  
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Rev. Leonard Addresses Students  
On Utility of Prayer In  
Daily Life.

Thursday of last week was Day of Prayer for Colleges, a day which is observed in colleges throughout the country. In accordance with the usual custom at this institution all classes were dismissed at eleven and a general meeting held in the Armory.

The assembly was favored by an address by Rev. Leonard of the First Methodist Church, who spoke on the utility of prayer. He brought out strongly the fact that no matter how well equipped a person might be in other respects, the highest success could not be hoped for without prayer. When we examine the pages of history we find that the men and women who have attained the best things in all ages and countries have been those in whose lives prayer played an important part.

This is particularly applicable to the student who by his superior training is best fitted to gain high positions. His college work gives him the necessary knowledge to begin his activities in the world, and if, with this mental equipment, he has the proper moral strength, there is no height possible to human attainment to which he may not aspire.

The address was a particularly able and helpful one and was greatly enjoyed by the students.

**AGRICULTURAL CLUB  
FARMERS' INSTITUTE**

Will Be Held February Twelfth  
in the Armory.

The Farmers' Institute to be put on by the Agricultural Club is now an assured thing. The date set for it is Saturday, Feb. 12. In all likelihood it will be held in the Armory.

The following speakers have promised to go on the program: Hennis, McLain Cooper, John Dinwoodie, Carl Yerrington, Ray Towle and Miss Pierson. Others have signified their intention of going on the program. Mr. P. J. Olson will preside on that evening.

**Something Doing.**

The big college event for this year is the Non-Partisan Political convention which is to be held in the Armory March 4. Forty-seven states will be represented by some 240 delegates. They will meet, adopt platforms, nominate several persons for the presidency of the United States and transact other business pertaining to a regular convention. Several hundred yards of bunting will be used to produce a very patriotic and gorg- have been worked out.

Every effort is being put forth to make this the best commencement ever held at the college, and all members of the class are busy making preparations.

Those new hats the boys are wearing come from "The Hub," Moorhead.

Prof. Willard addressed the class in farm chemistry on the soils of North Dakota Friday morning.

"Guess maybe she's hung 'em up for Christmas," said the small boy.—Ex.

**MORTON GETS A  
GOOD POSITION.**

Is Appointed Government Food  
and Drug Inspector.

Mr. Morton who has been engaged in food and drug inspection work in this state and has done considerable work about the college has severed his connection with the institution to accept a position as government drug and food inspector.

The position which Mr. Morton will assume is an unusually good one considering the fact that it is his first government appointment. In most cases inspectors are confined to either food or drugs with correspondingly lower wages. Only those of special ability are given work in both lines. As a government inspector, Mr. Morton will deal entirely with articles of interstate commerce. All products made and sold within the state come under state laws and inspection.

Mr. Morton will go first to Washington to receive his instructions. He will either then be given a certain territory to work over or, as is more probable, be located permanently in the city of Washington.

**Magazine List Increased.**

The following magazines have been added to the list in the Library.

- Journal of Infectious Diseases.
- Political Science Quarterly.
- Journal of Biological Chemistry.
- School of Science and Mathematics.
- Beautiful Homes.
- Fliegende Blaetter.
- Advocate of Peace.
- Craftsman.
- Hygiene and Physical Education.
- La Follette's Magazine.
- The Public.
- Journal of Education.
- Education.

The editor was busy when he was asked—"How are the markets?" The man was referred to the office devil, who looked wise and said—"Young men, unsteady; girls, lively and in demand; papas, firm, but declining; mammas, unsettled, waiting for higher bids; coffee, considerably mixed; fresh fish, active and slippery eggs; quiet, but expected to open soon; whiskey, still going down; onions, strong, yeast, rising; breadstuff, heavy; boots and shoes, those on the market are sold and constantly going up and down; hats and caps, not so high as last year, except foolscap, which is stationery; tobacco, very low and has a downward tendency; silver, close but not close enough to get hold of."—Ex.

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For when they met their proper f8.

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When boldly we as ever st8,  
That not a woman then was 18  
In gobbling up the tempting b8.  
—Ex.

**Coach Has Obesity Cure.**

The track coach at Minnesota believes that he can reduce a man's weight by massaging and began a demonstration on a student on the track squad.

The coach hopes to reduce the waist measure at least one inch and the weight eight pounds in

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two weeks. The student is jubilant at the prospect of future slenderness.—Ex.

Novelties in shirts, hats and shoes arrive daily at "The Hub," Moorhead.

Missouri has put a ban upon women rooters. The ban declares that shouting at a game makes them appear ridiculous.

Prof. Dynes was at Casselton Farmers' Institute Corps with their program at that place. His talk was on poultry.

The underclassmen at Syracuse have a snow rush to decide the question of class supremacy.—Ex.

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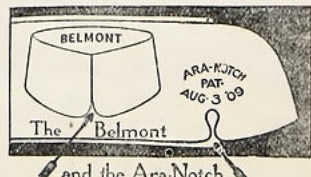
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Less than a month now remains before the date of the Annual Oratorical Contest, at which time the representative of the college for the intercollegiate contest will be decided, besides determining the college championship.

To win first place in the local contest and represent the institution in the intercollegiate contest later, is one of the highest honors which a student can obtain and is in itself a goal worthy of the most ambitious. This year there is an additional incentive in the form of most liberal cash prizes for those winning first and second places in this contest.

Of the \$50 offered, \$35 will go to the contestant awarded first and \$15 to the one awarded second place. Either of these prizes would well repay the student for all the time which would be required to prepare for the contest.

Up to this time there are only seven entered for the contest, leaving room for at least three more. There is no doubt of there being more than seven students in the institution who are perfectly capable of entering with good chances of landing one of the prizes. There is still ample time to prepare for the contest and those who have been putting off the decision as to whether they should or should not enter are urged to hand in their names at once and get down to work. It will soon be too late and then when you see someone else carrying off the prizes you will deeply regret that for the lack of the right decision at the right time you did not try your chances at winning it.

None of last year's orators are back and with a few minutes' work each day from now till the date of the contest you can enter with as good a chance of winning as anyone else. Even if you do not win a prize the training is worth many times more than the labor it costs and will give

you a vast advantage in next year's contest.

The critical moment has arrived. Don't make a decision which you will always regret, but put aside your doubts and fears, enter your name with Prof. Arvold at once, and get into the contest with the determination to make every effort of which you are capable to win credit for yourself and for the institution of which you are a part.

There has been no little complaint during the past month of the lack of courtesy on the part of a large number of the students. This has manifested itself in various forms. Some things, such as crowding and pushing in the halls might be excused in part from the fact that so large a number of students are obliged to pass in and out of the buildings in a limited time.

A number of incidents have occurred, however, which cannot in any way be excused on the ground of necessity. There is no reason why a crowd of men should rush into a car the instant it stops, making any ladies who wish to board it wait till the car is filled to its full capacity and all the seats are taken; still it is not uncommon to see just such acts when a crowd of students takes the car at the corner of the campus. The only condition which would account for such an action is a lack of common courtesy. In this and many other instances there seems to be a tendency, particularly among the short course men to show the mob spirit wherever a number happen to congregate.

Another glaring instance of discourtesy was the action of a large part of the students at the basketball game Friday evening. The decisions of the referee in calling fouls on the A. C. were greeted with hoots and howls and each time a member of the opposing team attempted to throw a foul a chorus of yells and jeers was set up in an attempt to confuse him.

Those who were guilty of the acts may have imagined they were displaying college spirit, but in reality it was only an exhibition of plain rowdyism. In the first place no one who had any knowledge of the game would be guilty of such an action. The decisions of the officials may generally be taken as fair to both sides, and even if they are not, jeers from the crowd only make matters the worse. As to hooting at a member of the opposing team who is throwing a foul shows the densest ignorance of the rules of the game. The officials have the same right to call a foul for such jeering on the part of the crowd as for rough play on the floor.

Cheering should in no way be confused with disconcerted howling. Organized yelling at the proper time is always to be encouraged and is not only a help to the team but a credit to the institution. Hoots and jeers work in direct opposition to the home team and bring discredit to all concerned.

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ed to bring up such a matter as this in connection with the students of a college, but it cannot go unnoticed. It is to be hoped that those who have been guilty of such indiscretions in the past will behave in a more gentlemanly manner on future occasions.

Two events are to transpire during the coming week which should claim the attention of every student. On Friday evening the Annual Declamatory Contest will take place in the Armory and the following evening we meet our old rivals, Fargo College, in basketball.

In Friday evening's contest the picked declaimers of the college courses will strive for the gold and silver medals offered by Pres. Worst to those who are awarded first and second places in the contest. All those who have qualified for the final contest have shown special ability in public speaking and most of them have had previous experience so that every number on the program is sure to be of a high quality. Admission is free and a

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**PERSONAL**

Mr. Nemzeck has returned from his eastern trip.

Miss P—in public speaking class "Professor Arvold, please tell me how to spell my fellow's name."

The first subscriptions for the 1911 Agassiz were taken Saturday.

Miss Clara Bakke was confined to her room by illness a few days last week.

Ida Billings and Lulu Challey were entertained at the Keene home last Friday evening.

Miss Lillian Pearson accompanied Miss Hoover on her trip to Harvey last week.

Miss Schaffer was pleasantly surprised by a visit from a friend from her home last Friday afternoon.

Miss Hurd was Miss Edna Abel's guest at supper last Wednesday evening.

Max Waldron has been selected to take Herman Halland's place on the Agricultural and Manual Training High School debate team.

The debate team for the S. D. and N. D. A. C. debate has secured the old Y. M. C. A. room in the Library in which to work.

The Polytechnical Society has been making arrangements to entertain the Academy of Science when they meet here in March.

Pres. Worst will deliver the address at the Grand next Sunday evening upon the subject, "Was Lincoln a Man of Destiny?" This same address was delivered before the legislative assembly at the Lincoln centenary last year.

Miss Porter of Mayville visited the Home Economics department last Tuesday. She was especially interested in the work as she teaches Domestic Science in the schools of that city.

A group of Dormitory girls made their appearance at the Opera House at the "Man of the Hour." And the man made a favorable impression. Oh! for a man!

On account of her brother's illness, Miss Cornelia Van Heesch left for her home at Rockfird, last Thursday morning.

Miss Hoover spoke in Fergus Falls at the Farmer's Institute, last Saturday afternoon. Her topic was Domestic Science and Home Making.

A fireless cooker, kerosene stove and two sewing machines have been donated to the Home Economics Department by different firms down town. This shows the interest of the business man in this work.

It developed Saturday afternoon that at times even the Y. W. C. A. gives way to the exuberance they feel. On this particular occasion it took the form of a harmonious whistling chorus that approximated—nearly—the strains of the Merry Widow.

Personally the engineers feel the greatest interest and friendship for the chemists, but still find the characteristic smells of a chemical laboratory rather hard to bear. As soon as they learn to enjoy an atmosphere of sulphurated hydrogen diluted with chlorine and ammonia, perfect peace and harmony will reign in the building.

Mr. Hartman of Page, member of our Board of Trustees, was a caller Thursday.

H. U. Thomas, recent commissioner of agriculture and labor for North Dakota was a caller lately.

Cheer up Engineers, don't mind the chemists down stairs, the agricultural men are beefing too. As misery loves company, why not get together.

Somebody had the nerve to cut a dance on Manager Parker Friday evening. What do you know about that?

Emilia Olson spent Saturday and Sunday at her home at Tower City.

Fortunately nothing was hurt but the overcoat. It was torn to shreds.

A short course man recently entertained one of the stock judging classes by a series of gymnastics in which he, a lively horse and a splendid new overcoat, were the only participants.

The University is trying out a new system of registration in beginning the second semester. Students will draw numbers so that they may be registered in order. This it is hoped will do away with all confusion and save much time for all concerned.

Word has been received at the mill that Mr. J. D. Shanahan, head of the Grain Standardization Board and J. W. T. Duvel, who has general charge of the baking laboratory, will visit the college mill, within the next few days. Mr. Shanahan endeavors to visit all such laboratories in his territory at least once a year and oftener if possible.

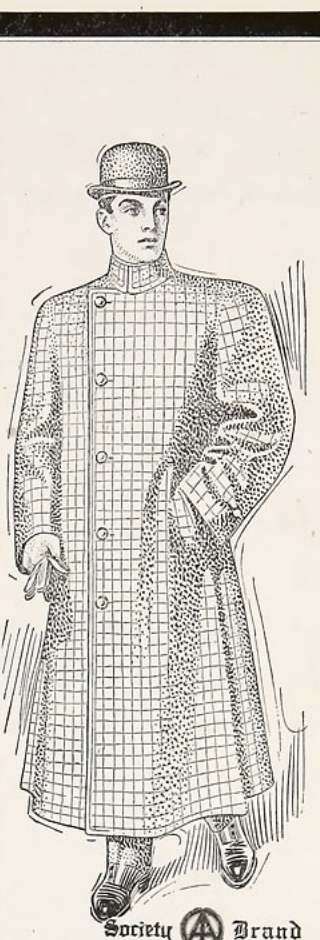
Next Friday Prof. Donegheue is due to speak at New Rockford, Prof. Beckwith at Larimore; while Prof. Willard intends to speak at Grafton. Prof. Willard may have to cancel his date on account of his new position.

Pres. Worst and Miss Hoover assisted Mr. Michels at the Farmers' Institute given in Fergus High School Saturday. Pres. Worst spoke on Man's Dominion over nature while Miss Hoover spoke on "Domestic Science or Home Making."

The College has recently purchased a splendid team of geldings and a registered Clysdale brood mare. The mare is one of the best in her class having many ribbons to her credit.

E. D. Stewart, '01, present director of the Langdon Sub-Station, will give the commencement address for the Farm Husbandry graduates this year.

Miss Hoover spoke at Harvey, North Dakota, last Wednesday evening. This is one of the series of lectures given in the High School Lecture Course by the Extension Department. Miss Hoover spoke on Fireless Cookers and Insulated Ovens, also on Domestic Science and Domestic Art. The seven half size forms from the Sewing Department formed a part of the exhibit.



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Pres. Worst was at Fergus Falls, Minn., Saturday where he spoke at the Ottertail County Farmers' Institute. His subject was "The Dominion Of Man Over Nature."

The Biology Department has been a scene of great activity of late, as the annual report of the department is now being gotten out, also a report of the Seed Testing Laboratory for the latter months of the past year. Until this work is completed the workers in the department will have no time to spare.

Three horses were treated before the classes in clinics Saturday morning. One of the features was a demonstration by Mr. Gunning on how to give a horse linseed balls.

Robt. Brander of Souris, N. Dak., who is visiting in Fargo, has been an occasional campus visitor during the past week. He says this is an extremely fine winter for all fall sown crops.

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Herman Halland, who for the past two weeks has been very sick at St. Lukas hospital, is slightly improved, though it will be some time before he will leave the hospital.

Secretary Wolf of Panama will address the men of the college in room 22 of the Engineering building, at 4:30 tomorrow afternoon.

Remember the address at the Y. M. C. A. meeting tomorrow.

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which they represent. Membership in said classes and courses shall be determined by the registrar. Representatives shall be elected annually not earlier than the 15th of October, and not later than the 25th of October, and shall assume their duties on the first Monday in November the same year.

Section 3—Its officers shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and editor-in-chief and business manager or the College Spectrum, all of whom must be bona fide members or the Junior or Senior classes during the time in which they hold office.

**Article II—Duties of Officers.**  
 Section 1—The president shall preside at all meetings of the Council, and shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for by a majority vote of all members present.

Section 2—The vice-president shall perform the duties of the president in his absence.

Section 3—The secretary shall keep a full record of all meetings including reports of all resolutions, appointments of all committees, and such other business as the council may transact.

Section 4—The treasurer shall have charge of all funds for which the council is held responsible, including those of the College Spectrum and shall render a full account of all moneys received or expended at each annual meeting or at such other time as one-fourth of the members shall desire it. He shall pay no bills not signed by the secretary and countersigned by the president, and shall place all funds exceeding \$25.00 on deposit with the college Secretary.

Section 5—The editor-in-chief of the College Spectrum shall have entire charge of the editorial part of the paper and shall appoint such associates and assistants as he shall deem necessary.

Section 6—The business manager shall have entire charge of the finances of the college paper, and shall make a financial report to date at the annual meeting held for the election of officers or at any other such time as one-fourth of the members present at any meeting of the Council shall desire.

(b) In addition to this, he shall be required to pay the editor-in-chief 50 per cent. of the first one hundred dollars net profits, and 25 per cent. of the net profits above that sum.

**Article III—Amendments.**  
 Section 1—This constitution may be amended at any meeting of the Council by a three-fourths vote of all members present, but the proposed amendment must be brot before the council at least ten days previously, either at a subsequent meeting or by a notice upon the bulletin board in the Administration building.

**Article 4—Impeachment.**  
 Section 1—Any officer of this council may be impeached by three fourths vote of all members of said Council.

The By-Laws of the Student Council be amended to read as follows:

**By-Law 1**—A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of two-thirds of all members of this council.

**By-Law 2**—A meeting may be called at any time by the president of the council or upon written petition of one-third of the members of this council. Notice of any meeting must be posted upon the bulletin Board of the Administration building in a conspicuous place at least 24 hours in advance of the time of meeting.

**By-Law 3**—All officers of the council shall be elected on the second Monday in March of each year, and shall assume their duties at the close of the spring term, and shall hold office for the term of one year.

All the officers of the council except the Spectrum staff shall be considered as representatives from the class to which they belong without the formality of an election by the class and shall have equal voting powers with the other members.

In case officers are elected who are not members or the council they shall assume their duties as herein specified, but shall have no voting power in the council until the regular fall election of representatives. In case any vacancy occurs in any office, the council shall elect a person to fill the position for the remainder of the term of office.

**By-Law 4**—All candidates for the office of editor and business manager of the Spectrum shall announce their candidacy at least ten days before the time of election either thru the columns of the Spectrum or by notice upon the bulletin board in the Administration building. In case no such notices are posted, the council will still have the power to elect such officers.

**By-Law 5**—These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of the council by a three-fourths vote of all members present.

The Alpha Zetas held an initiation Saturday night when Alfred Anderson and Bert Haskins were put thru the solemn ceremonies which go to make full fledged fraternity men. After they had been properly introduced to the mysteries of the order an informal but bounteous banquet was enjoyed.

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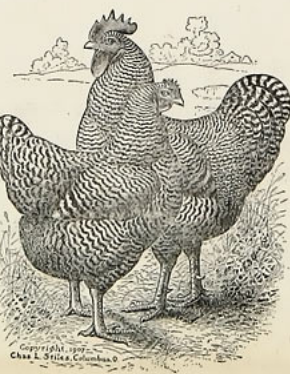
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