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Twenty Receive Bachelor Degree

Cap and Gown Parade is a New Feature that Opens Festivities.

ADDRESS BY HON. S. H. BASHOR.

Hon. L. A. Ueland Presents Diplomas in Behalf of Board.

A new feature was introduced in the commencement ceremonies, Tuesday morning in the form of a cap and gown parade. This is an annual occurrence in many institutions and the class of '09 did well to inaugurate the custom here. Shortly before 10:00 a. m., the parade formed in front of the library and led by the members of the graduation class circled the campus and preceded the crowd into the Armory.

The exercises were opened with music from Dr. Putnam's down town orchestra who played as the first selection the overture "Raymond."

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Adams of the Presbyterian church of Fargo, and another selection, "Elysian Dreams," was rendered by the orchestra.



William Richard Lanxon, '09
Agricultural.

Pres. Worst next introduced the Hon. S. H. Bashor of Waterloo, Ia., who delivered the address of the day on the subject, "The Spirit of the Ages."

"Modern civilization," he declared, "is not a product of our own time. It is rather an inheritance from other generations that have lived and died, each contributing a small part to the sum total of our modern arts, sciences, and customs. Our languages, customs, laws and even ideas are almost entirely borrowed from the past.

Through all historic time civilization has moved in cycles. Nations now dead and forgotten once boasted a culture little inferior to that of our own enlightened twentieth century and on investigation it is surprising to find how little we have really added to the list of human accomplishments. The manufacture of glass, the working of steel, the microscope and compass which we are in the habit of considering as modern inventions have been known for centuries. Almost everything we now use



Up the College Walk.

has been borrowed from others." "If we trace the development of nations we find that Egypt, Greece, Rome and Middle-aged Europe each marked the uppermost point of a cycle. Each in turn rose on the ruins of its predecessors added its contribution to knowledge and declined. At present we are on a cycle which marks the highest point yet reached. In modern America we blended the best elements of all ages. The discoveries of the past are constantly being amplified and extended; yet this we cannot claim as our contribution to the civilization of the world.

Our contribution is education, and that best result of education, equality. This is new and as such we may claim it as our own. America is the first nation where "race and birth count for nothing."

"Unhindered by cast and tradition our modern society offers more incentive to individual effort and aspirations than ever before in the history of mankind. Yet the spirit of the ages is still with us. We measure the future and present by the past, and seldom do we fail to find a standard of excellence.



Albert Williams Thomas, '09
Agricultural.

From this past so full of great and noble characters in every line we should draw new ambition for the future. Achievement now makes the only aristocracy and the spirit of the ages is now as ever before the spirit of progress."

Following this address came the presentation of diplomas, by Hon. L. A. Ueland of Edgeley in behalf of the board of trustees.

In a few well chosen remarks

Mr. Ueland impressed upon the graduates the value and privilege of a college education. It also carries with it no little of responsibility for it is to the college graduates that the people will look for the solution of the many perplexing problems, which are constantly arising in every walk of life.

After a closing selection by the orchestra the gathering broke up and the graduates received the heartiest congratulations of their many friends and relatives who were present.



Margaret Magill, '09.
General Science.

This concluded the Fifteenth Annual Commencement at the College and there is little doubt that it marked the closing of the most successful graduation ever held at the institution.

Besides the Seniors the Degree Ph. G., was received by Messrs. Simmons and Foss and also the degree M. S. by Miss Edith Fowler, '04.

Senior Dinner.

The Gardner hotel was taken by storm Tuesday noon by the Senior class in their caps and gowns after the graduation exercises at the College. At one o'clock they gathered in the dining hall to partake of a sumptuous banquet of eight courses. Miss McCarty, Miss Edith Fowler, and Professor Arvold were present as guests of the class. Every body was in the best of mood and the hall was filled with mirth and laughter till three o'clock when the party broke up.

After the uncheon most of the class had their photos taken at Swann's studio. This was a most fitting close for the last year which the members of the class will spend together, and will long

remain as a pleasant memory with the members of the class of '09.

NEW SPECTRUM OFFICIALS ELECTED

Moore Gets Editorship—Traynor Is Next Business Manager.

The election of the Students Organization occurred at noon, Monday. As editor of the Spectrum Edwal J. Moore, '11; was elected over LeRoy Gifford, '11, by a majority of two votes. As business manager Edwin Traynor, '12, was elected over Allan Clark, '10, by a majority of eleven votes. Mr. Harold McKinstry was elected president of the organization, Mr. Thomas Lough, vice president and Miss Ruby Gibbens, secretary, and Mr. Ruzicka, treasurer.

"DACOTAH" CHAPTER OF A. Z. ESTABLISHED

Local Society Admitted to National Agricultural Fraternity.

The Dacotah Chapter of the Alpha Zeta Fraternity was established at the College Wednesday morn-



Victor C. Parker, '09.
Mechanical Engineering.

ing by Professor Donehage. The membership consists of those who were members of the Alpha Zeta Phi which was organized among the upper classmen of the Agricultural Department the past year. The men who became members of the Alpha Zeta this morning are: Wm. R. Lanxon, Clarence Plath, Chas. A. Michels, Burke Critchfield, Ray Towle, Cal Hennis, Albert Thomas, Levi Thomas, Wm. O. Whitcomb.

Seniors Give Final Program and Play

Oratory Features Class Program Class History a Novel Feature.

THE CO-ED RULES A SUCCESS

Senior Play Pleases Audience and Swingout Adds to Enjoyment.

Burning oratory was the feature of the final program of the class of '09. The president's addresses took the form of a discussion of mission of the graduate of the Agricultural College and which the class of '09 pledges itself to strive to perform.

The essay, "Robert Burns" the Man and Poet, brought out clearly the power of this most humanistic of poets. The "Power of Public Conscience" was a thoughtful discussion of the country's wide demand for reform and was delivered in a way that riveted the attention of the audience.

The Class History was a novel feature of the program. Mr. Albert Thomas dressed as a farmer's hired man carried in a basket of vegetables, each labeled and described in harmony with the char-



Clarence Plath, '09.
Agricultural.

acteristics of a member of the class.

The oration, "The Relation of the State Educational Institution," was of unusual interest and showed the result of independent thought. It was a fair unprejudiced statement of the question which had we the space would bear repetition.

The other features of the program were the traditional presentation of the Hatchet to the Juniors and the Scepter to the Sophomores. The former was presented by John Magill and accepted by S. V. Anderson. The Scepter was presented by Mr. Hughes and accepted by Edwal J. Moore.

"The Co-ed Rules."

The senior class play which was written by Victor Parker and presented by the class Monday evening in the Armory was pronounced by everybody as being the best thing of its kind ever given at the College. "The Co-ed Rules," which was the name of the play, was a typical college play in three acts, everyone of which was full of life and action and was well sea-

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WANTED!

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H. J. HUGHES, Associate Editor.

Where and What the '09ers Will Be Doing.

Malvin A. Baernstien has accepted a temporary position in Fargo for the summer. Next fall he expects to go east where he will take up his chosen line of work as Pharmaceutical Chemist.

Arthur P. Murphy is one of the '09 agriculturists who, possesses an adventurous spirit, has secured a position as teacher of Agriculture in the government schools of Alaska and no doubt will soon be installed as teacher of Esquimos. Mr. Murphy expects to leave in a couple of weeks.

Levi M. Thomas, during his College course interested himself especially in agricultural chemistry and has received an offer of a position as assistant in the Chemical



Levi M. Thomas, '09.
Agricultural.

Department of the College for the coming year. His work will be on the various phases of the wheat investigations, and is so arranged that it will be possible to take up postgraduate work also.

David H. Moore, one of our three mechanics of this year, plans, when the summer is over, to journey toward the far east and take up his residence in Sche-



David H. Moore, '09.

Mechanical Engineering. nectady, N. Y., where he will take up a position in the testing laboratory of the General Electric Co., of that place.

Kent Edward Darrow, is now off for a summer's tour of Europe with Dr. Batt. After visiting the many places of interest in Northern Europe Mr. Darrow will return to his native land but not to his native state. He will take up



Kent E. Darrow, '09.
Chemical.

his residence at Baltimore as a student of John's Hopkins University where he will pursue a medical course. As a popular athlete who has for years helped to uphold A. C. honor Mr. Darrow's absence will be keenly felt next year.

William Richard Lanxon, already known as an agriculturist, and breeding of live stock and as an institute lecturer, and who has for two years upheld the A. C. in the field of oratory, plans upon graduation to step immediately into the field of education. He has been selected to take charge of the newly established agricultural department of the high school at Alexandria, Minnesota. Mr. Lanxon is much pleased with his location. His summer months will be spent in directing the cultivation of a small model farm in connection with the high school.

Miss Thompson will spend the summer at her home at Ayr, N. D.



Anna Matilda Thompson, '09.
General Science.

Later she expects to take up the teaching of Domestic Science which is her specialty.

Miss Margaret Magill, has prepared herself for the educational field and though she is not certain as to her location will take up high school instructional work in the sciences with a specialty of Domestic Science.

Mathias B. Erickson, '09.
Mechanical Engineering.

Mathias B. Erickson, of Fargo, N. D., will remain at the College during the coming months as instructor in the Summer School of Engineering. His later plans are still unsettled but he intends to follow the example of his father which he has considerable experience.

Bure Critchfield whose specialty has been Animal Husbandry, has been chosen to fill the position of Secretary of the North Dakota Stallion Herd Book Association.



Bure Critchfield, '09.
Agricultural.

In this capacity Mr. Critchfield will make the A. C. his headquarters for the coming year where he will also be able to pursue post graduate work.

Leo Peter Nemzek plans to remain at the College for another year and work up for a master's degree and at the same time conduct part of the paint investigation work under the direction of Professor Ladd. After this Mr. Nemzek proposes to attend the Boston school of Technology for a couple of years and pursue research work in Industrial Chemistry.



Leo Peter Nemzek, '09.
Chemical.

Asa Ross Babcock has accepted a position as sales clerk for the Standard Oil Co., at Fargo, North



Asa Ross Babcock, '09.
General Science.

Dakota. Mr. Babcock has already been initiated in this work and is much pleased with it.

Hugh John Hughes, B. A., of Lawrence University and of journalistic fame, has been chosen as permanent head of the department of journalism and the publicity bureau of the College and in that



Hugh John Hughes, '09.
Agricultural.

capacity will remain at the A. C. for the coming year. He has also accepted the position of associate editor on the staff of the Farm Stock and Home.

John Magill is the first A. C. man to graduate from the Civil Engineering course. Mr. Magill has interested himself in road and bridge construction and especially in road construction in North Dakota. Mr. Magill has not completed his plans but will spend a short vacation at his home before going into his chosen line of work.

Charles Arthur Gordon Michels, is another of our agriculturists that plans to go into the field of



Charles A. G. Michels, '09.
Agricultural.

education. Mr. Michels immediately takes up a position as teacher of Agriculture at the Fergus Falls High School.

Albert W. Thomas, will before another week has rolled around have crossed the Rockies and have headed toward his future home at Ashland in Southern Oregon. Mr. Thomas plans to attend the A. Y.

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P. Eposition this summer after which he will go into business with his father for the present.

Clarence Plath has been selected to fill an excellent position at the Edgeley Sub-Experiment Station and will take charge of cooperative breeding work for the United States Bureau of Plant Industry. Mr. Plath will take charge of this position immediately. He will also spend his winter months at Washington, D. C.

William Orr Whitcomb has specialized in Agronomy and will continue in this field in the employ of the Bureau of Plant In-

dustry as experiment in dry land farming. Mr. Whitcomb's location will be in Williston, N. D., for the present. His work there will be in connection with the Sub-Experiment Station. In this position the winter months are spent at Washington, D. C.

Ewan Webb Hall, has returned to his home at Elbowoods, North Dakota, where he expects to establish himself as a practical live stock breeder. For the present he will have charge of a fancy stock farm upon the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation and will demonstrate the possibilities of Agriculture to the aborigines at that point

Travel and Education Abroad.

Thomas Manns, '01.

A Novel and Interesting Plan advocated by Thomas F. Manns, '01, who is at present assistant Pathologist at The State University.

Traveling for novelty is fast giving way to travel for the educational and diplomatic value it affords. Is it possible that the time is approaching when along with our "Seed Grain Special", our "Movable Schools of Agriculture," etc., etc., there will come a time when Maritime Travelling Universities will be in vogue. Think of the idea, turning several of our superfluous battalions into Universities, which would give American young men and women opportunities of Collegiate and Post Graduate courses in History of Civilization, Colonization, Languages, Biology, Sociology, Anthropology, etc. etc., directly in those fields richest for study and research. Think of it, instead of the torpedo fleet a host of naphtha launches conveying classes to the very gates of knowledge—English Literature with Dickens in "Old Curiosity Shop";—English History, political and otherwise in sight of the chalk hills;—German a la Kaiser Wilhelm at Berlin,— "oui, oui, oui" among the people who would not be caught speaking English. Think of the rich fields in Sociology, Religion, Politics, etc., found in Continental Europe and the Orient. What an opportunity to study the "Rise and Fall" of Rome in sight of the Coliseum and the Pantheon. To learn by her converts why Mohammedanism is fatal and on the other hand why Christianity is the predominating influence in the world today.

Again what an opportunity to help awaken the slumbering Chinaman and note the alertness of the Jap. To follow a Darwin, or tramp Malaysia with Wallace. Impossible you say—not with a Roosevelt, nor yet with an American. Of Americans it may be said we are a people conversant in one language; even this, some may say, cannot be said of many other nations.

Probably no one thing would

better finish off a candidate from under graduate work than to launch him from college, stranded, with the requirement that he spend the first half of his last semester in Continental Europe, and the last half in the Orient, passing the Golden Gate with a grade of not less than 75, providing he fell not below forty while at Port Said. Imagine the arrival of a senior class which had worked its way to Liverpool.—How much of the spirit of a High School football team carrying a hotel by storm, would be felt.

A college graduate may be likened to broadcloth fresh from the loom; much handling and cutting takes place previous to becoming a properly fitter garment. Jostling elbows with neighbors and shifting environment are means which assist in bringing about many adjustments. Probably no better means could be used to bring out individuality and likewise impress us with the mission of our people among others, than to be thrown into service among Orientals;—into such a service as is supposed to be elevating to the people among whom we labor.

We know too little of our distant neighbors. To know such neighbors better will be to know our own nation better. However to know our Trans-Atlantic or Trans-Pacific neighbors will require travel. The tendency of the times is, if you cannot bring the mountain to you, you can go to the mountain. With the comforts, speed, and cheapness of travel much will be done in the future to broaden higher education. Would it not even be wise for our government to give free transportation to worthy students desiring to study abroad. We love to repeat in mission study of the rapid strides made by Japan and China thru their educating several thousands of their students abroad, who upon the completion of their courses, carried back home the essence of what they found good among other peoples.

It would pay us as a nation to maintain or assist in maintaining several thousands of our promis-

ing young men and women in study among the foremost European and Oriental people that we may readily catch the trend of advance in each, thus helping America to use proper diplomacy, and to better know her mission among nations.

Had Russia but a slight knowledge of the Japanese and the rapid advance they have made, she might thru diplomacy, have been saved an ignominious defeat, and the lamentable loss of thousands of her brave sons, now buried in foreign lands.

It is true that the knowing is but a phase of individual or national make up; yet this important phase of knowing other nations and our mission with them ought not to be neglected.

We under estimate the Japanese; we laugh at the slumbering Chinese; Great Britain nervously watches the inhabitants of India; the international problems are many; we ought to know well the part we are able to take in the event of each possible crisis that looms upon the horizon. The English speaking people cannot too early measure the pulse and possible advance of European and Oriental people. None other than the student in his formative period can properly measure the value of his associate. For such reason it is a wise policy to stimulate and foster the travel and education abroad of increasing numbers of our young men and women.

FACULTY TENDER

SENIORS RECEPTION

Graduating Students of Normal and Fargo College Present.

Last Wednesday evening the President and Faculty were hosts at a reception given at the Dormitory to the Seniors of the College and the graduating class of Moorhead Normal and Fargo College. The parlors were tastefully decorated with flowers and appeared very cosy in the subdued light. The receiving line, which was composed of President Worst, Mrs. Shepperd, Professor and Mrs. Keene, and Major Ulio, gave the guests a hearty welcome.

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schools and the faculty were soon making acquaintances and introducing their friends. A short musical program was rendered in which Miss Grasse, Miss Peterson, Mrs. Willard, Dr. Putnam, and Professor Beckwith took part. The music was much appreciated by those present as was evidenced by the hearty applause.

Refreshments of wafers and frappe were served and the guests took their departure voting the evening a most pleasant one.

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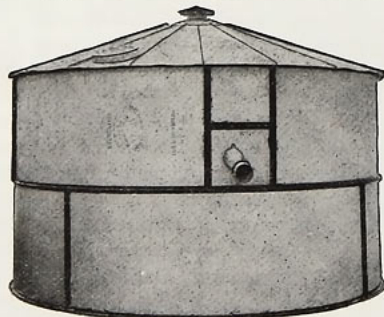


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FAREWELL.

With this, the 35th number of the Spectrum '08-'09 ends the record of another college year. It has been a banner year, full of pleasant episodes and events, to which one and all may look back upon and smile. True College spirit, we believe, has flourished and grown stronger this year than ever before. The faculty has not restrained the legitimate expression of this college spirit we believe that where they required and encouraged a higher standard of scholarship there has only resulted deeper respect and love in the hearts of the students for their Alma Mater.

We have said it has been a pleasant year. As the '08-'09 editors lay down the pen they reiterate this statement. The task which to us looked so large in proportions, has been completed. As we look back we see many hours of labor; abstinence from pleasures which others enjoyed. Yet the work has not been without its pleasure or reward. It is not drudgery for there is a fascination in the recording of events coming events passed, serious and frivolous, all going to make up the story of the doings of a busy College year.

As the Spectrum staff says "good bye", we offer no apology. Not that we have attained all that can be desired of a College paper, but that we know we have done what we could. We have endeavored editorially to maintain a sane student view of affairs. We have maintained that that which said will do no good, should remain unsaid, believing that reform is not wrought by revolution, or destructive method. We have striven to avoid the knocking habit other than to discourage knockers; believing that reform is to be best attained by the encouragement of the worthy rather than of destruction of that which is not perfect we have not found it necessary to often write the "schating."

In our news column we have en-

deavored to give you all the news and present it to you in a newsy way and to lend publicity and praise to all worthy student activities. For what has been no small credit should be given to the reportorial staff who have worked unceasingly for the year.

As we turn over the Spectrum to another staff we do so cheerfully, for we have completed our work. To the new staff we would like to say that you have no small task to perform for in doing the work the Spectrum requires and yet maintains the standard of scholarship that becomes a leader of student activities you have a very busy year before you. Whether it means little or much, you will at all times have the best wishes of the '08-'09 staff for the highest successes.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT ALUMNI REUNION

Over One Hundred Covers are Layed—Mikkelson, '05, Toastmaster.

DANCING FOLLOWS FEAST

F. O. Olson Heads Association For the Coming Year.

The eight annual alumni banquet and reunion was held in Pirie's hall Tuesday evening, June 8, laid and members of the alumni from various parts of the state from various parts of this and adjoining states joined with the faculty and alumni in a five course banquet.

Toasts.

Following the first part of the banquet Mr. A. M. Mikkelson, '05, rose and called for order and in a few appropriate words, introduced the speakers, Miss Katie Jensen, who was to have responded to the toast, "Reflection of an Alumnus," was not present. Miss Matilda Thompson, '09, responded to the toast "Just Out", in a few well chosen words. "Looking Backward" by Dr. Merton Field, '95, proved especially interesting as he related his feelings on returning to Fargo after an absence of ten years and how the College had developed during that time. His reminiscences of the early days when there were only a few students, proved interesting and entertaining.

The closing number on the program was "Looking Forward" by Pres. J. H. Worst. His words were words of welcome and encouragement to the alumni present and words of good cheer to everyone. He pictured a bright future for the eye to look at.

Alumni Meeting.

At the meeting of the alumni which followed the following officers were elected and the class of '09 entered their names on the book.

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alumni and their guests during the remainder of the evening, and the year of 1908-09 was ended with many happy thoughts and glad tidings for the future.

NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CHOSEN

Northwestern Man Chosen to Fill Coach Magoffins Place.

At the meeting of the board of trustees upon June 8th, the applications for the positions of athletic director were considered. Mr. Arthur Reuber's application was considered favorably. Mr. Reuber is a graduate of Northwestern University where he achieved football fame as a half back. Since graduation, '05, he has been employed as coach, the last two years being spent at Whitworth University, Tacoma, Wash., where he has met with signal success. Mr. Reuber comes with recommendations not

only as a coach of experience and ability, but as a man of strong character and personal qualifications.

Alumni Luncheon.

Several of the '06 and a few of the former students of the College who were present at the commencement exercises enjoyed a pleasant luncheon at the Gardner Tuesday noon. Among those who were present were Miss May and Messrs Porter, Swenson, Greene, and Lee.

New Catalog Out Monday.

The college catalog created a stir on the campus by finally arriving at noon, Monday. The document this year reveals many changes in the curriculum. Two more full 4 year courses are added, Veterinary and Domestic Science. The classification of all the students is also a feature which is a decided improvement over the former catalogs.

Y. W. C. A.

The last meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was the Mission Study Class Tuesday, June 1. The book "The Chinese Slave Girl" was finished and a social hour was enjoyed afterward. The senior girls Margaret Magill and Matilda Thompson, were presented with a little remembrance from the association.

Refreshments of lemonade and wafers were served and the meeting was pronounced a decided success.

WIRE WORMS REPORTED AT PORTLAND

A letter from Portland, N. D., which is near Valley City, to Professor Waldron bore the information that the wire worms were eating up the crops in that vicinity. A worm which he sent to the Professor for identification proved to be nothing other than the much dreaded wire worm which does so much damage to crops in many parts of the country.

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**COMMENCEMENT CONCERT
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Annual Musical Event is Well Attended and Highly Praised.

In spite of the rather unfavorable weather a large crowd attended the commencement concert which was held in the College Chapel last Friday evening. The concert was given under the direction of Dr. C. S. Putnam and the following program was rendered:—

- Program:**
 Morerau Characteristic—
 'Frisolous Cupid' Losey op. 267
 Orchestra.
 Glee—"Little Jacky Horner"—
 Caldientt.
 Choir.
 Violin Solo—
 a) "Dances of the Pusztza" Keler-Bela
 b) Intermezzo from Cavilaria Rusticana Mascagni
 Olaf Hendrickson.
 Baritone Solo—
 "The Bandolero" Leslie Stuart
 T. D. Beckwith
 Piano Solo—Scherzo No. 3, in B-Flat Minor Chopin
 Geo. Edwards.
 Soprano Solo—"O, My Heart is Weary," from Nadesachda Goring Thomas
 Edythe Grasse.
 Cornet Solo—Waltz Caprice—"My Regards" Llewellyn
 Dr. C. S. Putnam.
 Chorus—"Softly Fall the Shades of Evening" Hatton
 Choir.
 Caprice—"La Cinquantiane" Gabriel-Marie
 Orchestra.

In every respect the concert showed an improvement over past years. Every part was well rendered and hearty encores were received.

The solos were particularly good and were much appreciated. The cornet solo by Dr. Putnam and the vocal solo by Prof. Beckwith deserve special notice.

The orchestra and choir were somewhat handicapped by the loss of a number of their members but both did good work and received their share of the applause.

LAWN MOVERS WERE MUCH IN EVIDENCE SATURDAY MORNING

The campus was given its first trimming. "The Seniors think they're very high, Because they're nearly through, But soon they will have to show their wit, In getting work to do."—Ex.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Thomas Manns, a former student and wife of Thomas Manns '01, was among the commencement visitors at the College. She comes from the University of Ohio, where Mr. Manns has professorship.

Mrs. Neva Stevens Jensen, who will be remembered by many as one of the college orators, was a pleasant visitor at the College during commencement.

Query:—Who took the icecream at the senior faculty reception last Wednesday evening?

Professor and Mrs. Bolley, Professor and Mrs. Waldron, Mrs. Shepperd, Mrs. Ash, Mrs. McVeety, and Professor Arvold were guests at the inter-society banquet Saturday evening.

Mr. Ruzicka's parents were in the city during commencement week and were present at the exercises at the College.

Mark Keeny left Tuesday morning to take up a position as rodm-an on a survey on the N. P. railroad.

Miss Mary Thompson, a former student, visited her sisters at the Dormitory during commencement.

Professor Arvold is still wondering how the waitresses at the Gardener found out about June 16.

Mrs. Thompson from Ayr, and her son, who is a former student of the College, were present at the commencement exercises the first of the week.

Professor Weeks goes to Amenia on June 11 to speak at the commencement exercises of the high school at that place. His subject will be "New Duties of Education."

Mr. H. B. Darling was recently elected to the office of secretary-treasurer of the Western League of Oratory to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Whiteomb. He attended the inter-state contest which was held in Grand Forks under the auspices of the University, Tuesday.

Mr. Chambers was among the visitors at the College during Commencement week.

Mr. Lumry was a visitor during commencement and helped the band boys furnish music for the guests at the track meet.

Professor Weeks was recently elected as a member of the "National Society for the Scientific Study of Education."

Harrison Bunt was busy the latter part of last week putting up some apparatus to be used by the summer school engineers.

John Swenson, '06, blew in last Saturday evening just in time for the inter-society banquet and stayed for all the commencement events. John said it seemed like old times to be back at the old A. C. again.

Among the commencement visitors that were at the College the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, of Orr, N. D., Mr. and Mrs. Parker of Denhoff, N. D., and Mr. and Mrs. Whiteomb of Crary, N. D., who were present to see their sons graduate.

Rufus Lee, who was a member of the '07 class in his junior year, was a pleasant visitor at the College during commencement.

Ham Greene, who left the College some years ago to take up the study of law in the University of Minnesota where he graduated

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last year, was among the old students who took in commencement at the College.

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 Maccalaster or Carleton, Minn.
 Fargo College.
 Brookings, S. D.

Misses Laura Wright and Hetvig Peterson were present at the class day exercises and graduation.

Miss Genevive Holkesvig arrived at the College from her school at Cavalier in time to join in the commencement festivities.

Adolph Mikelson, '05, and John Thysell, '08, were among the alumni that took in commencement and alumni reunion.

Messers Ruzicka and Olson left Tuesday morning to take-u their summe's work as land examiners in Montana for the N. P.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer May, '05, of Hardwood were among the commencement visitors.

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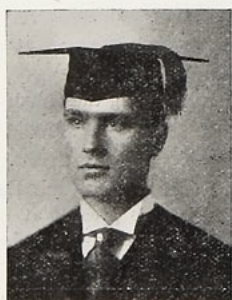
The address of the afternoon was by Dr. Marion Shutter of the Church of the Redeemer of Minneapolis. He took as his text Cor. V. 7: "We walk by faith, not by sight." He showed that from time immemorial men have faced the same vital problems and have had the same aspirations and interests as we must face to day. Now, as formerly, these difficulties must be fairly met and overcome. No infallible rule of conduct can be laid down that will fit all cases and each must choose his own path on his own responsibility.

A. Working Theory.

What we most need is a working theory, some broad and general rule to guide us, and there are always two which offer themselves to us. We may choose the hypothesis that

the universe is the result of chance and that our lives have no great purpose than the gratification of our personal desires. On the other hand we may chose the theory of a supreme power which governs all things. It is this latter theory which every person should adopt in taking up his life work and with this to guide his actions press fearlessly ahead.

Take the optimistic view of life which recognizes evil but does not submit to it. The present status



William Orr Whitcomb, '09. Agricultural.

of human affairs is not fixed but is readily susceptible to change. Evil there is, we admit, but it is not uncomtable and every life properly lived can do much to improve conditions.

Accordingly everyone should strive to so conduct himself as to leave the world a little better for having lived in it. Virtue should be practiced not entirely as a means but as an end, for "Good-

ness is the chief succes in life and character the highest attainment."

Many things arise which we cannot understand, but through perplexity we do know that it is better to be good than bad, noble than ignoble, and what we cannot understand we may well leave to work out itself. "We walk by faith, not by sight, and we have something greater than a living to make, we have a life."

In closing Dr. Shutter spoke of the many difficulties and obstacles to be contended with but declared that these were necessary to the fullest developmt of our characters, for "Life was made for victory and will be its outcome."

The services closed with the hymn, "Lead Kindly Light," and the benediction by Bishop Mann. A feature of the service was the music, the two anthems by the choir being especially well rendered.

The regents of the University of Washington have ordered a linotype machine and other necessary equipments to allow the students to do the entire work of getting out the "Pacific Wave."

Classes for instruction in the sports of rowing and canoeing have been started at Iowa.

A. C. walks are again the favorite for Fargo people.

Visitor, gazing at the Power House—"Some kids must have got hold of some paint."



Arthur P. Murphy, '09. Agricultural.

THIRTEEN ANNUAL INTER SOCIETY AFFAIR

Social Meet Proves a Pleasant Feature of Commencement Week.

The Thirteenth Annual Inter-Society Banquet has come and gone. Held Saturday evening at Hotel Gardner, it proved to be one of the most enjoyable of the society events of the year. About sixty guests were in attendance and all report a most pleasurable time with a most sumptuous banquet capped by spicy toasts at the ending.

The menu as served by the Hotel Gardner, was one that would tempt the appetite of one and all and needs no better commendation than itself.

Menu.

- Fruit Mint Cocktail
- Queen Olives Radishes
- Chicken Consomme in Cup.
- Wafers Ripe Olives
- Sweet Gherkins.
- Broiled Lake Trout au Beurre
- Sliced Cucumbers
- Potatoes Julienne
- Fresh Lobster Newburg
- En Bordive.
- Punch Detroit
- Wafers
- Roast Young Turkey with dressing
- Creamed New Potatoes
- New Asparagus
- Cranberry Sauce
- Lettuce and Tomato,
- German Dressing
- Toasted Cheese Crackers



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Cake Coffee

Toasts.

The toasts that followed were short and spicy. The numbers were introduced by Toastmaster Lanxon who with a display of English wit and clever turning put the crowd in a receptive mood for the feast of reason and the flow of wit. "Students and other Things" was responded to by S. V. Anderson, Philomathian; "Farewell", was the subject of a thoughtful toast by Margaret Magill, '09, who for the Seniors said a farewell word for societies. For the "Has-Beens" C. I. Guinness, '07, responded for the Alumni of the societies, telling of the success and failure of their efforts in the past and commending them for their late endeavors and progress.

In the toast "Next Year" by LeRoy Gifford there was the word of prophecy as to the events of the future and especially as to the

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new Dormitory. The toast "Who Runs the College," was listened to with interest, the conclusions of our practical forensic instrutor, Prof. Arvold as to who runs the College, shows that his mind of late has dwelt upon the powers of the fair sex, "who," says Prof. Arvold "run the College."

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Everybody wants the farmer to prosper. The farmers' business is so fundamental to all other occupations that when he prospers everybody else does. The close relation of agricultural conditions to state and national welfare was clearly recognized in the appointment of the Country Life Commission by President Roosevelt. The appointment of the Commission meant two things. That the nation needs prosperous agriculture, and second, that agriculture is not now sufficiently prosperous. To this last point we in North Dakota may feel like taking exception, but North Dakota is in her early prime and the causes that have operated in other states upon agriculture have not had time to produce the ill effects seen in some of the other and more exhausted parts of the country.

The paramount question with the citizens of North Dakota of whatever occupation is the proper husbandry of the state's natural resources. Whatever educational, social, civic, and industrial improvement may further this end is to be sought without undue delay. It is being realized as never before that the way to get at the question of country life and country prosperity is thru the schools. By instruction in early years one comes to employ the principles of science to productive processes as easily and naturally as the old-method man clings to antiquated and



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Civil Engineering.

ruinous practices. North Dakota of twenty-five years hence will be what the education of the boys and girls in school today leads to. The prosperity of this state next year, even, depends upon the stratum of thought in which the producer is living. And we must bear in mind that of all productive forces knowledge and intelligence, science and experience, are the greatest. Proper methods surpass mere force. Ideas, as well as trees, bear fruit.

The particular problem with which the Agricultural College is wrestling is to diffuse as widely as possible those parts of science that mean most to the people of the state, especially those engaged in agricultural pursuits. To this end provision has been made for closer connections with the public schools. In schools, which, sur-

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rounded by farmers and farming, have nothing to do with agriculture, there should be set up courses designed to further the real interests of the community. On the teaching staff should be at least one representative of applied science. The Agricultural College expects to do its part and expects communities to do their part. The Department of Education recently organized at the College to train teachers of agriculture and related industrial subjects was organized, in a word, to connect up the local schools with the surces of industrial knowledge and further the industrial development of the state.

A most interesting feature of the work of the Agricultural College on the public school side is the Agricultural Summer School to be held on the campus and farm of the Agricultural College this summer for the educators of the state. Teachers of whatever rank, city, and county superintendents, editors and whoever feels the need

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Saturday the big North Dakota Inter-Collegiate Track Meet was pulled off on our Dacotah field. This was one of the foremost of the feasts in the athletic line that has ever happened in the state. About forty men were entered in the fourteen events, these representing five different institutions. Perhaps nothing in college sports could do more in bringing the athletes together in an apparently and truly friendly gathering than a meet of this kind.

84 Points.

The A. C. was the giant of the day making 84 points out of the one hundred and forty. Fargo College came second with 27 points; Wahpeton Science School 15; Valley City Normal 11 and Concordia College 2. Pollock of Fargo College was the hero of the day, winning 15 point; Miller, Darrow and Men Nemzek of the A. C., won 13 points apiece while several others of the home team were almost as high.

The main feature of the day was the mile relay by the A. C., Valley City Normal and the Wahpeton Science School. In this Wheeler ran the first lap for the A. C. but lost about twenty yards, Clark then took up the chase and came in ahead of his man. Darrow took the third round and gained about thirty yards and Herron easily kept his distance in the last heat.

Events of Records.

Below is a list of the events, records, and medal winners.

100 yd. dash—time 11 and 1-2 sec.—Frank Darrow, A. C., first; Clary, Fargo College, second and Ewen, A. C., third.

220 yard dash—time 25 and 2-5 sec.—Darrow, A. C., first; Clark A. C., second; and Woodward, Fargo College, third.

440 yard run—time 59 and 2-5 sec.—Ewen, A. C., first; Butterwick, Valley City, second, Anderson, A. C., third.

One-half mile run—time 2 min. and 15 sec.—Herron, A. C., first; Butterwick, Valley City, second; Hanson, Concordia College, third.

One mile run, time five min. 13 sec.—Cooper of the A. C., first; Wagle, Valley City, second; Brown, A. C., third.

120 yard hurdles—time 19 and 1-3 seconds—Anderson, A. C., 1st; Miller, A. C., second; Ewen, A. C., third.

High Jump—height 5 feet — Pollock, F. C., first; Darrow, A. C., second; Brothers, Wahpeton, Science, third.

High Jump — height 5 feet— Pollock, F. C., first; Darrow, A. C., second; Schumann of Wahpeton Science, third.

Broad Jump—17 feet 9 inches;

Miller, A. C., first; Clary of F. C., second; Thayer of F. C., third

16 lb. shot put—distance 35 ft., 6 in.; Nemzek, A. C., first; Pollock, F. C., second, Sehranz, A. C., third.

16 lb. hammer throw—distance 84 feet 6 in.—Nemzek, A. C., first; Mannikowski, W. S., second; Pollock, F. C., third.

Discus throw—distance 105 ft. 6 in., Pollock, F. C., first; Nemzek, A. C., second; Mannikowski, W. S., second, Valley City third

The pennants for the relay and the institution winning the highest number of points were both awarded to the A. C.

For the success of the meet which was pulled off without accident or hitch no small credit is due the officials and especially Manager Dynes.

Miss Ruby Hicks, '08, who has been taking post graduate work at the University of Minnesota, was among the commencement visitors.

SENIORS GIVE FINAL PROGRAM AND PLAY

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soned with local color The hall was fied to its capacity with college people, parents and friends of the graduating class, and the alumni.

Cardinal and Silver Gray were the predominating colors and large flags on either side of the stage helped to add to the attractiveness of the scene. The stage with the class motto "See That Every Stone Is Turned," in silver gray and the large streamers extending across the hall were the subject of many favorable comments.

The Players.

Every person in the play played their part with naturalness and ease that was a credit to themselves and the class. Arthur Murphy, Levi Thomas, Burke Critchfield, Clarence Plath, and Malvin Baernstein, who played the part of college boys who carried out away as much as possible from the plot of keeping Miss Masters governing board, so the plans for the new womans building would be adopted, worked together with such naturelness that it seemed almost a reality. Miss Matilda Thompson, who acted the part of the freshman girl that helped the boys in the plot, and Miss Margaret Magill, who so ably played the part of the preceptress that was kept from the board meeting, both won the praises of the audience. Dave Moore, who acted the part of the professor, added much to the humor of the play by his many odities which he carried out so well.

Swingout.

Following the play the floor was cleared and two pleasant hours were spent in dancing to the music of Dr. Putnam's eight piece orchestra. Light refreshments were served during the latter part of the evening by the class.

Burning Midnight Oil.

At twelve o'clock the Seniors sent the beams of the burning of the midnight oil shooting out in to the darkness which hid the campus. As the flames grew bright the members of the class circled the center of light and gave the college and class yells. Thus ended the fitting close of the most elaborated and successful class day in the history of the College.

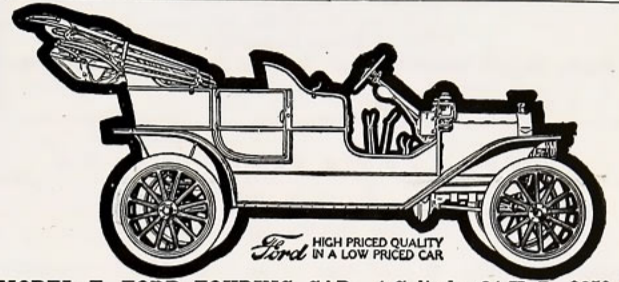
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