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## A. C. Quint Wins From Mayville Braves

### Fans Go Wild—Capt. Darrow Shoots Basket That Gives Tied Game to A. C.

### CLOSEST GAME OF SEASON

### Normal Boys Show Fine Form and Take the Lead at First.

Fans went wild last Saturday when the A. C. defeated Mayville quint by a score of 27 to 30. At the end of the first half the score was 18 to 18 and at the end of the last 27 to 27 and then the most desperate struggle ever played in the A. C. gym was played to decide the game.

The spectators had gathered that night with expectations of a close contest and they got their money's worth. Our boys were the first to make a score and the rooters settled back. The A. C. would win. But just then the visitors dropped a couple through and then the rooters groaned. The enemy began to walk away and at one time the score was 18 to 10 in their favor. But now the A. C. boys got down to business, cut out bum passing, and at the end of the first half the score was 18 to 18.

Enthusiasm was now at its highest and between halves the rooters sat in dead silence impatiently waiting the team to appear. At last they lined up for the time of their lives. In this half the majority swayed from one side to the other by one or two points, and slowly the score was raised to 27 to 27, and then time was called.

Now came the most heated serenade of the evening. First a foul was called upon Mayville, and between two gasping lines of people Kent threw the ball and it fell true. This gave the boys hope and they fought harder than ever, the guards sticking to their men like glue and the forwards continually trying for the coveted baskets. At last Captain Darrow rose to the situation and the game was ours.

Like a den of roaring lions the throng rose to their feet and gave vent to their joy. Never before had it witnessed such a struggle and as all crowded on to the floor it was like a mass of human hyenas. Not until they had left the campus had the fans at last succeeded in controlling their frenzied voices and then they thought their joy in silence.

During the first few minutes our boys failed to get down to business and did some poor passing but when they realized the danger they ground their teeth and fought their hardest. The normalites ignored their new surroundings from the first and indeed showed speed, accuracy, and

## BACHELORS TURN THE TABLES ON BENEDICTS

### Faculty Base Ball Had Interesting Developments Friday Evening

Friday evening in the Armory occurred an athletic event which although the audience was small, deserves to be classed among the athletic events of the week. The Benedicts of the faculty were again pitted against the Bachelors at in-door base ball, and as a result of the contest the Bachelors came out victorious by a score of 25 to 35. The features of the game were Parrott's base running in which he always reached the goal just a little too late and Randlett's vain attempt to slaughter the umpire for his alleged unfair decisions.

As a result of this brilliant contest the unmarried are rejoicing over their superior prowess while the Benedicts, chafing under the sting of defeat, are looking about for another umpire for the next game at which they hope to get revenge.

## NOTED SOCIOLOGIST HERE NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday evening attendants at the Grand Theater lecture will be given an opportunity, rarely afforded to Fargoans and that is of hearing an address by Professor Edward A. Ross of the Department of Sociology at the University of Wisconsin. He will deliver his famed lecture on "Latter Day Saints and Sinners."

Professor Ross is one of the foremost students in America and one of the greatest authorities on sociological questions in the words world. He is the author of the well known books "Sin and Society," "Social Psychology" and "Social Control." Students would do well to plan to hear Professor Ross.

## A. S. E. TO DISTRIBUTE PROF. ARVOLD'S ADDRESS

Madison authorities of the American Society of Equity were so impressed with Professor Arvold's speech before the Tri-State Stock and Grain Growers' Convention, "The Land Where the Farmer is King," that they have had it printed in pamphlet form and it will be distributed throughout the state of Wisconsin. This is certainly a compliment to Professor Arvold.

## RECEIVED RIBBONS

The students who competed in the student judging contest at the North Western Live Stock Show last fall have lately received their ribbons from the management of the show designating their places in the contest. Each ribbon bears an appropriate inscription in gold letters which makes it a very pretty souvenir of the contest.

## Defeat At St. Cloud Retrieved By Victory

### Minn. Pedagogues Fall in Close and Hard Fought Contest.

Thursday evening the basketball enthusiasts of the College were given an unexpected treat and the A. C. boys retrieved their previous defeat by the Normals of St. Cloud by turning the tables to the tune of 24 to 28.

The game was an interesting one from start to finish, the A. C. taking the lead from the beginning and holding it to the last. In the first half the A. C. boys got a start of seven points but the normalites came back hard in the second and crept up within one or two points of the leaders only to lose the ground gained. The play on the part of the A. C. was characterized by better team work than they had shown at any previous time on the home floor and it was only ill luck when it came to the test of finding the baskets that prevented them from forging ahead and leaving the pedagogues hopelessly in the rear.

The work of the normal team, however, was featured by occasional flashes of team work and a better eye for the baskets. In the last half referee Day by clever handling of the ball and timely use of the whistle nearly turned the tide of the battle, which resulted in the calling forth of uncomplimentary remarks from the fans. Such occurrences as this are of unpleasant savor and would indicate the necessity of care in choosing of officials.

In individual work Captain Darrow must again be given the credit of saving the day as he rolled up sixteen of the twenty-eight points, making four points on fouls and six field baskets. Clark's heady and lightening work was rewarded by three field baskets. Nemzek at center showed rare ability at getting the ball at the opportune time. Drummond took his place in the last half and played a good game. Frank Darrow was there all the time. "Big" Walt Haskins incurred the wrath of the referee in the last half by his repeated fouling but nevertheless did good work handling the ball.

For the visitors Williams with his three field baskets and ten baskets off free throws tied Darrow for first honors. Ahles at center outplayed his opponent and made three field baskets.

A. C. Mayville.  
Darrow, rt. F. Williams  
Clark Lt. f. Marchik  
Haskins rt. Mocktios  
Darrow, F. lt. G. Patent  
Haskins rt. g. Mocktios

Field Baskets:—Kent Darrow, 6; Clark, 3; Frank Darrow, 2; Walt Haskins, 1; Williams, 3; Ahles, 3; Mocktios, 1. Baskets on free throws: Kent, Darrow, 4, and Williams, 10.

## ATHLETES AWAKEN TO SIGNS OF SPRING.

### Baseball Schedule Will Be Arranged This Year—Indoor Track Needed.

Spring is coming, and with it come track work and baseball. At the present time no schedule has been arranged for either of these lines, but several of the institutions have applied for baseball dates and among them is the old rival St. Thomas. For material we have three big men, Nemzek, Bert Haskins, and Walt Haskins and the little man Murphy. These men we know, and others lurking in the background will probably surprise us. As to the prospects for a track team little is known except that we will have representatives in that also.

An indoor track is needed to develop a good team and a petition has been presented by the Athletic Association and the board of trustees asking for the installation of one in the Armory. This, however, has not been heard from as yet.

## RED RIVER DENIZENS FILL THE AQUARIUM.

The Aquarium in the Biological Greenhouse contains quite a collection of denizens of the Red river. Scott Stambaugh was the collector. About all the species of snails, frogs, clams, lizards and so forth are represented. It is hardly safe to go in the biology greenhouse any longer after dark.

## PROMOTIONS.

The following promotions were recently made in the Band. Sergeant Allen Clark to be first sergeant and Cadet P. R. Gussman to be corporal.

## BOARD MEETING.

At the regular monthly board meeting Wednesday the budget for the year was gone over but no definite decision was reached, it being left for the next meeting to complete this rather burdensome job.

## GO WEST.

This week the basket ball team take their western trip. They will play the Valley City Normal upon the twentieth and Co. A. of Bismarek upon the twenty-second. May good fortune follow them.

The Engineers Hop set for Saturday evening promises to be an exceptional occasion. The music will be of an order quite beyond anything before furnished at a students dance. The President, the Deans and heads of the various departments will act as patrons.

Too many men have their wish bone where their back bone ought to be.—Lou J. Beaucamp.

## Prof. Waldron Deliver Eulogy Upon Darwin

### The Man that Shed the Light that Directed Trend of Modern Thought.

### ONE OF THE FAMED OF 1909.

### Laws Expounded by Darwin Stands Unshaken by Half a Century.

Professor Waldron was the convocation speaker yesterday and appropriately his subject was Charles Darwin, the peer among the scientists of the nineteenth century, the man who by the publication of his famous book upon the origin of the species completely changed the thought of the world. Before the day of Charles Darwin the world was faced in one direction with stated hopes, tradition beliefs, manner of living and thinking. Since the working of his marvelous mind has become known to the world it has faced about and is marching in a new direction.

Darwin's great contribution to the world of science was the explanation of the origin of things organic as explained by the working of the law of the survival of the fittest or natural selection. Before this day the thinking people of the world groped in the dark with nothing better to cling to than the doctrine of special creation as handed down through the traditions of the Hebrews. His work was as a flash of lightning, to one lost upon an open field, which suddenly reveals a road which though it may not lead directly home will yet carry him in that general direction.

To day, after a half a century of criticism of the ideas and laws as expounded by Darwin all are giving his work recognition as surviving the attacks of the greatest.

## THE MERRY MINSTRELS

Will be seen and heard at the Fargo Opera House, Wednesday, Feb. 17th. This is a minstrel troop composed of the best black face talent available in this part of the country. If you care for the latest and best in the way of choice minstrel opera entertainment, don't fail to see this great black body performance.

If societies or clubs wish to obtain the best possible entertainment at moderate cost, then, by all means, form a box party or a dress circle party and be at the Opera House Wednesday evening.

Students and citizens, here is an opportunity to have a grand entertainment, see to it at once and procure your seats early.

Michigan is to have a dormitory system which will accommodate 900 men. Speed the time when A. C. will have a like system.

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# Coming! "The Great Merry Minstrels" Fargo Opera House, Wednesday, Feb. 17th.

## Lincoln's Centenary Observed Fittingly

Special Assembly on National Holiday is Impressive.

### MUSIC FEATURES PROGRAM.

Mrs. Remington Delivers Address "Lincoln the Good Great Man."

The Centenary of the birth of the greatest American was observed Friday in the College Armory by impressive and appropriate exercises. Music and address were the features of the program. The exercises were opened by the Overture, Sweet Briar by the College Band which was followed by the "Song of the Flag" from the Knickerbockers by the Choir, Professor Beckwith handling the part of soloist.

Two readings from the productions of Lincoln by Professor Minard were next heard. One was a letter to a New England widow who had lost five sons on the field of battle showing how that this man at that time when responsibility lay heaviest upon his shoulders could find time to comfort a sorrowing mother. The second reading was the famous passage from his second inaugural address in which we find the words: "Fondly do we hope, fervently do we pray, that this mighty scourge may speedily pass away . . . ."

In the "Tone Poem of the North and South" the band found a selection which, because of its pleasing variations and splendid rendition brought forth a hearty burst of applause at the closing. The singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" was followed by a selection by the College Orchestra an overture Rose d'Armour, which also came in for its share of the applause.

The address "Lincoln, The Good Great Man" was to have been delivered by Miss Abbie L. Simmons of the English Department but illness prevented this and in order that audience should not meet with disappointment Mrs. Remington consented, though upon short notice, to deliver the address which had been prepared by story of the life of "The greatest story of the life of "The greatest man since Jesus of Nazareth" and the portrayal of the character of this "good great man" was told pleasingly in the address. Mrs. Remington handling the presentation with ease and with a mastery that riveted the attention of the audience.

The life of Lincoln was traced from his boyhood days with abundant illustration that portrayed him as the peer among men; the greatest American prophet, matched in the depth of his thought with that of Ralph Waldo Emerson. A dreamer and yet a reminder of the fact that "the dreamer lives forever while the toiler dies in a day".

The "Man of Destiny" left nothing undone to improve his education but in all his practice as a lawyer or a campaigner, common sense and justice was his stronghold. It was his interest in the Kansas-Nebraska bill that brought him in to the Legislature of his adopted state and it was this that two years later brought him into the halls of the Bloomington convention where he made that speech which put him on the road to the presidency.

It was in the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates that he with all

his conviction uttered these words at an opening of a speech: "A house divide against itself cannot stand. I believe that this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the union to be dissolved—I do not expect the house to fall—but I do expect that it will cease to be divided." "In his speeches he constantly rang the knell, Slavery is wrong, slavery is wrong," and it reverberated throughout the length and breadth of the land.

It was the Douglas debates that brought Lincoln before the people in such a way that his election was assured. His public life at this time gave expression to such a dramatic quality that made him the greatest dramatic figure in all history. He was more. He was a preacher and a prophet. The words of his most famous speech need only be repeated "With malice toward none with charity for all; with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right let us finish the work we are in."

When Lincoln was inaugurated Feb. 23, 1861 no man was more misunderstood and this misunderstanding existed in the North as well as in the South, in Europe as well as at home. In all his life in the White House he was calm, quiet and sagacious, meeting unflatteringly the great problem and responsibility that devolved upon the head of a nation involved in civil strife, with a depleted treasury, with dissatisfaction even among his own constituents the people of the North. As a statesman he stood above his eminent contemporaries, Seward, Chase, Stanton, Sumner, Trumbull and a score more of noted personages.

The horrors of war weighed upon him as no other man and he himself admitted that it was only the hour spent upon his knees before the infinite that gave him strength "To finish the work."

When compromise in regard to slavery had proved itself of no avail, came the Emancipation Proclamation. "In the centuries of the future it may be a question whether the South had not right to withdraw from the union and form a new combination, but it can never be a question that the United States founded upon the Declaration of Independence should never become a slave empire. Therefore the emancipation proclamation was in many respects the greatest document ever penned by man."

"In this year of 1909, the centenary of the greatest American citizen, it is well for us to think often and long of the man with the grand great head, noble profile, lofty brow, mystic eye and imposing figure. This man free from anger, from jealousy, from vanity, from cynicism. This man who takes the first rank as a mimic, as a story teller, as an orator, as a statesman as a philosopher as a philanthropist. This man saved a race from slavery, a nation from disruption and the republican form of government for all ages from oblivion. If a man's greatness is to be measured by his helpfulness to humanity then Abraham Lincoln stands next to the great Nazarene, "One of the many of a mighty land, made by God's providence the Anointed one."

With the rendition of "Float on O Flag, Forever" by the College Choir and the singing of America by the audience accompanied by the Choir the Band, and the Orchestra the assembly broke up.

The band had special session Thursday to get in trim for Friday morning.

## CHAUTAUGUA PROGRAM IS BILLED FOR THIS WEEK

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Among the events of this college week will be an innovation in the form of a unique program to be delivered daily by the class in public Speaking beginning at 3:30 on the 17th of February and ending at 4:30 on Feb. 20th. It will be Chautauqua program with none of the popular features left out and with a list of distinguished speakers many of which will for the first time appear before an A. C. audience. We print the program in full below.

Wed. Feb. 17, '09.

Platform Manger . . . Hon. H. B. Darling.  
3:30 Roll call Adress of Welcome.  
3:35 Ross Babcock—Celebrated Tenor—Ten Minute Prelude.  
3:45—Lecture—"Golden Grapes"—"How to Press them"—Senator Merce.  
4:05—Monologue—"Where Will We All Be"—Floyd Becker—"Editor of Humor in Science".  
4:20—"Ghosts"—Peter Nordby—Lecturer.

Thursday, Feb. 18, '09.

Platform Manger . . . Prof. Burke Critchfield.  
3:30, Quotations—Roll Call.  
Chautauqua Schute.  
3:40—Music—"The Dacotah Trio" (Misses Grest, Eyolfson and Thompson).  
3:50—"Indian Games"—Miss Fowler.  
4:00—Lecture—"Dried Apples"—Major Staples.  
4:15—Closing Remarks—Gen. Wiesbach.

Fri., Feb. 20, '09.

Platform Manager—H. B. Darling.  
3:30—Roll Call.  
3:35—Music—The Hungarians.  
3:50—Ten Minutes of Mystry—Joseffy Darrow.  
4:00—Exagerations—S. V. Anderson Ph. D.  
4:10—"Trusts or Monsters"—Hon. H. McKinstry.  
4:25—The Pilgrims—Senator Gifford.

Sat., Feb. 21, '09.

Platform Manager, Burke Critchfield.  
3:30—Roll Call.  
3:40—Music—"The Jubilees."  
3:50—Monologue "Fun and Mirth in the Hereafter"—Edwal J. Moore, Esq.  
4:00—"Physical Culture"—Director Hall.  
4:15—Lecture—"Wild Apples"—Colonel Larson.  
4:20—Speech "The Soil. Did God Make It?"—Mr. Ford.

### Y. M. C. A. GETS OUT INTERESTING PAMPHLET.

The Y. M. C. A. Student Directory has finally appeared in the form of a neat fifty-two page pamphlet containing most useful information that will make it a handy reference book. It contains first of all a faculty directory, a list of all the students and their rooming places in the city, and lastly and appended map of the city.

The book is a credit to the association and, although, unavoidable difficulties have been in the way of getting it out at the early date that was planned, it is welcome nevertheless. To Mr. Balfour, on whom fell a great deal of the work of compiling the information a word of credit is due as there is also to Mr. Magley, who assisted materially. The book will be distributed free of charge.

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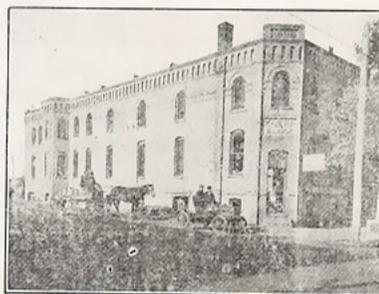
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Many of the students took advantage of Friday adjournment and paid a short visit to their homes.

LITERARY

IN OLD MEXICO.

Customs of people about whom we are unfamiliar seem strange to us and we often think that those people are behind us in the progressive procession. And indeed, it is often true that they are but many times there is reason and necessity in the backwardness. Some of the customs of the Mexicans, for example, are strange to us but considering the climatic condition and the passionate nature of the people they may not be so far behind us after all.

That our sister republic to the south of us is behind us in many things must be conceded. Perhaps, in a few things, it may be well, for we of the United States move so rapidly that we really almost get ahead of ourselves to our own disadvantage.

Mexican houses in the larger towns and cities are built almost on the sidewalks and the walls of the adobe buildings present smooth, unadorned surface which gives no idea of the furnishings of the interior. The walks are narrow, not more than two people being able to walk abreast upon them. To further inconvenience the pedestrian the windows project out beyond the walls. This is pleasant for the inhabitants of the dwelling for they can sit in the window and view the whole length of the street. While this places them in a conspicuous position it does not seem to greatly trouble them. These windows are usually in that style that can be opened wide on hinges after the fashion of folding doors. However, these windows do not open directly onto the walk for, in front of them are placed strong iron bars much resembling prison bars. These are placed in position and fastened at the time of the building of the structure so that to remove them is difficult. They are so close together that only the arm can be passed through them. Passing along the street one sees many fair maidens behind these bars as though they were imprisoned. Very frequently, at

these windows, may be seen young Mexican gallants talking quietly to the fair ones and if one could understand the language he would hear the passionate words of wooing. Appearances are not always deceiving and by observing closely it is seen that more than friendly greeting is being expressed. Words of love and tenderness are being passed back and forth through the bars and close observation shows the passion of some of them. No thought of the passer-by or the public place is in the minds of the wooers and the pedestrian seldom gives notice to the incident. In this manner many of the Mexican youths make love to the fair ones of their choice.

Beautiful plazas are to be found in Mexican towns of importance which frequently present the statues of heroes to the public gaze. Flower beds and tropical shrubbery are arranged inside of the broad walks surrounding the plazas. In the center of some of the plazas are bandstands which on certain evenings of the week are occupied by well-uniformed musicians.

The Mexicans are very fond of music and people of all classes appear on the plazas to enjoy it. The ladies appear in their gala costumes and the better class is not outdone by the most aristocratic of the United States. The ladies walk about the plaza in the same directions. The men all walk in the opposite direction but if a man is with a lady he must walk in the ladies' procession. The custom of walking in opposite direction has long been adhered to and is seldom encroached upon by the Mexicans and Spaniards.

The young gallant who meets his adored one may not stop and enter into lengthy conversation. . . neither may he turn and walk with the lady unless he has passed into that happy state of engagement. It has been established by custom that when a young man is seen walking on the plaza with a young lady, his action shall be considered as the announcement of the engagement.

In the cities near the United States flippant young Americans encroach upon the long established custom and do not adhere to the engagement rule. Perhaps the older customs may be good. . . maybe we are behind or ahead of

civilization. . . and we should give ourselves pause to consider our short-lived customs.

FISHES' FACES.

Did you ever stop to examine the expression of the face of a fish? At the zoo, people watch the monkeys and remark how human they are, but beyond a passing glance, give no thought to the fish. Surely they are to be preferred for steady company. How quiet they are with out a word of complaint or chattering fault finding. How easily supplied are their simple wants. Monkeys may amuse children, but it takes a mature man to appreciate the good manners, quiet deportment, and solid character of a fish as written upon his features.

Text books contain page after page on the bone structure of the fish, but say not one word about the features of his face. That expression which is a constant sermon and inspiration to the observer, and in which lies the highest expression of the creatures, nature. All the rest of its body is mere machinery for getting about.

There are only a few animals that may be said to have any facial expression. The cow and deer melt you with their eyes. The horse and dog find expression with the movements of their head and tail. But to find a paralled for these fish you must go to the camels. There is found the same stoical determination to make the best of it. The mouth expresses it all.

Some observers have likened a fish to a fool, but the expression on the faces of many of the boys in school would compare favorably with it. A fish seems to see everything that is going on. His eyes follow you constantly, but the mouth is ever prominent. He seems to be all mouth. He chews as though his very life depended upon it (and it does) and as if he were determined not to let one atom that came his way from the outside world escape him.

You cannot pet a fish. He is above that sort of thing and his dignity is to be respected. He will not submit to slavery no matter how fair his mistress.

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Professor Doneghue has received a centrifugal machine for the mechanical analysis of soils. This will be used by the soil physics classes in the spring term and will greatly facilitate the work in mechanical analysis.

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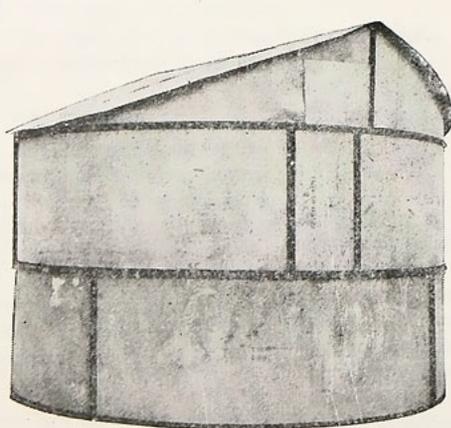
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**Societies**

**AG. CLUB.**  
 Friday evening the Agricultural Club will meet and the Farmers' Institute program that was to have been given last week, but which was postponed because of basket ball will be given. An interesting program is promised.

**Essay Prizes.**  
 The list of prizes for the Agricultural Club Prize Essay Contest has been completed. The prizes are varied and appropriate and each is well worthy of the best efforts of the contestants. For first prize the club offers a silver cup. The second prize consists of a handsome gold fob which is also given by the club.

For the third best essay Professor Shepperd offers a book entitled "The Flock" by May Austin. The fourth prize is also a book offered by Professor Richards, "Sheep Farming in America." Professor Churchill is the donor of the fifth, which is a very interesting and valuable book "Horse Sense" by J. C. Currier. One year's subscription to the "Reliable Poultry Journal" given by Professor Dynes will constitute a sixth prize.

With this excellent list of prizes, there is every reason to believe that the contest will be a success. In justice to those who have been kind enough to offer these prizes each contestant should do his best to make his essay a worthy production.

contest was answering questions as possible from the name "Abraham Lincoln", Fern Dyne received ladies' prize and Victor Parker, gentlemen's. Another contests was answering questions concerning the life of Lincoln. Ruby Gibbons received ladies' prize and Earl Hunt gentlemen's. Each class was requested to appoint one member to give a three minute talk upon Lincoln. Wm. Janson represented the Seniors, Howard Darling the Juniors, LeRoy Gifford the Sophomores, Amos Ewen the Freshmen. Mr. Gifford was awarded the prize as having given the best speech. Refreshments of lemon ice and cake were served. After supper dancing was enjoyed.

**TEACHERS.**  
 The Teachers held a meeting in Chapel Friday evening, Feb. 10. The President was unable to be present so the vice-president had the chair. The following program was rendered:  
 Vocal Solo by Anna Hendrickson  
 Reading by Ole Nelson  
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**FRESHMEN PARTY.**  
 On Thursday evening at Francis Hall the Class of '12 chaperoned by Dean and Mrs. Shepperd, held a most enjoyable social entertainment. The parlors were tastefully decorated with the class colors and a gay profusion of flowers. The evening was spent in games and dancing.

At eleven o'clock all appeared in the dining room where they were served with dainty refreshments which on the occasion. All having partaken of the delicious viands the social arrangements of the evening were resumed until the strains of "Home Sweet Home" reminded the festive gathering that the wee sma-hours of the morning had arrived. When the music had ceased all dispersed expressing themselves as having spent a most delightful evening.

This is the first effort of the freshmen class in giving entertainments of this nature and judging from the success the social future of the class of '12 is assured.

**LADIES' HALL NOTES.**  
 Miss Mary Lee, a former student, was a pleasant visitor at the Hall this week.  
 Miss Inglehorn enjoyed a visit from her sister on Saturday and Sunday.

Many of the griler far raffish outlook on life this week as they know every detail of their future since interviewing the fortune teller at the Bijou.

Walter Billings was a guest of his sister, Ida, at the Hall on Saturday.

Anna and Louise Vikers returned to school Thursday.  
 Miss Mollie Corbett was a guest of Miss Pellissier on Friday.

Several of the girls at the Hall are suffering from severe sore throats.

Miss McCarty and Miss Heath spent the latter part of this week at the Heath home in Gardner.

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The senior girls deserted the rest of the class yesterday at chapel and as the result the class took on the appearance of a stag organization as they filed into Chapel.

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### Darwinism And Its Relation To Modern Science

Prof Waldron Discusses the Status  
of the Theories of the  
Evolutionist.

Darwinism, the subject of Professor Waldron's lecture at the Polytechnic Society Wednesday evening, was not only appropriate for this particular time of this particular year, as Friday was the centenary of Darwin's birth, but it also proved intensely interesting to the large audience that heard it. The lecture was delivered in Professor Waldron's popular and forceful manner so that to the average listener it was intelligible and to the students of the various theories of evolution the comparisons and arguments for and against these theories were interesting and instructive.

Darwin was not the first to advance the theory of evolution, but the appearance of his book "The Origin of Species", which appeared just fifty years ago, has done so much to popularize this theory that at the present time "Evolution is a law and not a theory". In this book Darwin introduced such conclusive proofs that the people were led to have different views on the subject with the result that the above law has come to be recognized. Experimental evolution, which is only of quite recent years too, has had a great deal to do with the adoption of evolution as a law instead of a theory, and evolution is now discussed experimentally as well as theoretically.

Lamarck's theory in regard to plants and animals, becoming changed by constant effort and physical adaptation to existing conditions, has been discredited, but it is well to use just a little of this idea in evolution.

Variation is the fundamental principle by which natural selection operates. Certain plants become better adapted to their surrounding condition and nature selects these, that is they can exist while their weaker associates die.

This natural selection is that which produces what is known as "the survival of the fittest." Darwin rejects the theory of mutations, sudden very wide variations by which De Vries claims new species arise, and bases evolution on fortuous or continuous variations. This is carried on by means of natural selection.

Many objections have been raised to natural selection as a means of improvement which may be briefly summed up as follows: 1st.

Are the differences in plants and animals of enough importance and large enough for nature to select for? 2d. Would nature select for slight improvements that do crop out such as undeveloped structures? 3d. If a character did appear it would become lost from crossing with other plants or animals not possessing this character.

To meet these objections other theories have been proposed, among which is the one that contends that there is an effect produced on the germ cells by means of a change in the cells of any particular organ which makes it possible for strength or size in this particular organ or limb to be transmitted and perpetuated in the same line, for it is thought that minute parts of the cells of all parts of the body are found in the germ cell. The characters which are found among plants and animals that in no wise benefit them are explained by means of sexual selection. For instance the bright plumage of certain of the male birds may stimulate the sexual activity of the female and make her more productive thus increasing this tendency in the species. But this theory has been partially discredited.

One great question which confronts us is what great determining force is it that directs development in any certain direction which it may start, as in the case of the development of the elephant's trunk from a short nose to its present size, and the development of a certain insect's eyes from a small pigment that had small power of distinguishing light to the eyes now possessed by insects. Why is it that these developments, continued in one direction instead of starting off in some other, is the question that has never been satisfactorily answered. In other words we are working for a cause-mechanical theory that will account for this continual variation in the same direction.

In answer to the above Wiesman has proposed the theory of germinal selection, which is supposed to preserve the definite course of development after it is once started. Every part of the animal or plant is present in the germ cell in very minute particles known as "determinants." These determinants, which as the word implies, determine the different organs and their size that the body produced by this cell grow according to the food supply. When a certain part of a cell grows by means of more food it increases its proportions and gathers more food which enables it to make still more rapid growth. After a certain part of a germ cell once starts in

this direction it increases with each generation and thus becomes much stronger than any of the other like parts of which it was once the same. Now, this particular part of the germ cell, because of its greater strength due to greater capacity for gathering food, is able to exert a greater influence on the particular part of the body or organ and thus keep the development in the same general line. (This is the causomechanical explanation which we are working for, but it is a question if we want to accept the above explanation which offered by Mr. Wiesman.)

The question of mimicry, by which certain animals are enabled to take on resemblances to their surrounding conditions so that it is a means of protection, has caused a great deal of speculation in regard to how it originated; did it come about all at once or did it result as some other things by degrees? Of course the different theorists claim different ways for this to be brought about but Darwin contends that it is a gradual change.

In taking up the Darwinism side of the discussion it seems that the isolation of species has a great deal to do with the origin of new species. It is quite noticeable that there are not many species found in the same locality unless there is a chance for considerable isolation and cause for it such as glacial action and floods.

#### MAKE GOOD.

Alumnus Attains Success in  
Far Western City as  
Engineer.

It is a pleasure to note in the Medford Daily Tribune of Oregon the success attained by T. W. Osgood of the class of '02, as City Engineer of that thriving city. Immediately following his graduation from the Engineering department of this college he was for two years city Engineer of Fargo and most of the time since has been spent in improving the municipal conditions of Medford. That his efforts are appreciated is a gratification to his Alma Mater and to the many friends who knew him during his college days.

As a student Tom Osgood took an active part in every feature of college life. He was not only ranked as a good student but helped to make a success of the Spectrum in the early years of its life. He won three Worst Medals for declamation and represented the college in the state Oratorical contest in 1901. He was one of the main supporters of the Athletic Association and was chief Rooter.

The same spirit that made him a success as a student is manifesting itself in a business way is attested by the comments of the Tribune on the reports of the engineering work of Medford. Bully for you Tom Osgood!

#### PROF. LADD BACK FROM CAPITOL CITY

Attended Meeting of National  
Association to Confer on  
"Preservatives"

Dean Ladd returned from Washington Friday morning having been at the Capital city for several days. During his stay there the Executive Committee of the National Food and Dairy Association held a special meeting and expressing their attitude toward the use of preservatives and particularly benzoate of soda. A statement was drawn up which will be made public at an early date. Steps were also taken toward the appointment of a committee to confer with the referee board on preservatives.

The program as arranged for the next annual meeting of the association which will be held in Denver Col. beginning June 29th.

#### DR. BROWN'S SUCCESS. OR HAS BEEN ELECTED

Kansas University Professor  
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Chair.

Mr. Adolf Zeifle of the University of Kansas has been elected to fill the place of Dr. Brown in the Pharmacy Department. Mr. Zeifle is a graduate of the University of Michigan and was for some time assistant in that institution. At present he is assistant at the University of Kansas and also assistant under the Food and Drug Act. He will take up his work on April first, when Dr. Brown's resignation goes into effect. Dr. Brown will go to the University of Kentucky in the Sunny Southland while Professor Zeifle will come to the North.

#### JUNIOR CIVIL AT- TENDS ENGINEER MEET.

Paul Funderhide '10 attended the meeting of the Civil Engineers of the state at Bismark on Feb. 11th. This meeting was a preliminary one for the purpose of organization. Mr. Haigh of Cogswell was elected president and R. W. Livingston, secretary. A committee to draw up by laws and constitution was appointed.

The next annual meeting of the organization will be held at the Agricultural College on the first

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Ben Barrett is the proud proprietor of a new model of cornet.

Professor Arvold departed on a speaking tour, the 11th, returning Sunday.

Carl Yerrington will appear in the Cathedral Club Minstrel show this week.

Registrar Porrott is busy on the new catalog these days.

Leutenant Hill is acting as captain of Co. A. in Mr. Heidner's place.

Mr. Parker was busy in the machine shop during the vacation on Friday.

Arthur Murphy was initiated into the Knights of Columbus last week a lively time is reported.

Captain Samuel Heidner leaves on the twentieth of this month to take up his work at West Point where he enters March first.

Many of the students took advantage of the holiday Friday and spent a few days at home.

Professor Willard went to Bismarck Thursday to keep an eye on his interests in the legislature.

Olaf Hendrickson spoke at the Cathedral Club last Wednesday and succeeded in making quite a hit.

The Seniors are all expectantly awaiting their call to conference with the "Degrees" committee.

Mr. Morton is busy making and denaturing alcohol these days. He is at present trying out methods and yeasts.

Miss Funderhide, an attendant at the Mayville Normal, was the guest of her brother at the basket ball game Saturday evening.

Dean Ladd went to Bismarck last Monday on business regarding certain bills in the legislature pertaining to pure food.

Arthur Murphy was recently elected president of the Cathedral Club of the city. He has been busy arranging for the club's minstrel show of late.

Mr. Yoder, who is superintendent of schools in Seattle, Washington, is visiting with his brother, Secretary Yoder of the College.

At the Polytechnic society one week from to-morrow night, Dr. Bell will deliver a lecture on Summer Birds in the Red River Valley.

Messrs Green and Porter both cousins of our genial business manager and stars upon the Mayville team paid the Spectrum office a visit Sunday.

Charles Oshwald, '07, is at present in Tacoma, Washington, engaged in engineering work. In April he will join the Heath, Miller Mining party when they start for Alaska.

Many of the A. C. students attended the basket ball game at the Moorhead Normal upon last Friday evening. They made known their presence by joining in and helping along the excitement of a student demonstration between halves.

Last Thursday Professor Bolley went to Bismarck to confer with the committee in the legislature that has charge of his weed and seed bill 119. He spent a part of his first day in the capitol city explaining the purpose of the bill to the legislators.

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The Mayville game was well attended by the faculty.

Editor Brewer and Mr. Parker were noticed side by side at the basket ball game Saturday evening. Undoubtedly they have conspired to compare notes in order that for once at least the facts about the games as told in the News and Forum would approximate each other.

Secretary Yoder and a gentleman friend were the victims of a slight accident last Saturday afternoon occasioned by the horse which they were driving to a light cutter becoming frightened at a street car. The gentlemen were spilled out in a snow bank while the horse proceeded to distribute the cutter and its contents along the road, finally returning to the barns relieved of all except the harness. Neither of the occupants of the cutter were injured.

President Worst was last week honored with the invitation to address the members of the state legislature upon the Centenary of Lincoln's birth. As a result our President was again at the state capitol last week and upon Friday was the speaker of the day. His address was reported by all of the newspapers to have been among the best ever heard in the state.

**PROF. DYNES TO EXPOUND MENDELISM TO AGGIES.**

All this week Professor Dynes will have charge of the advanced class in breeding and will deliver a series of lectures on Mendelism. Mr. Dynes is especially well fitted to take up this study with the class as he has been a close student of Mendel's law for some time and spent a part of last summer working with Dr. Davenport of Long Island at Cornell University. Mr.

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Davenport has done a great deal of work with poultry and has made a study of Mendel's law as applied to poultry so that the class is assured of something good and up to date for this week while Mr. Dynes is presenting this most interesting subject.

This class is composed of five of the upper classmen of the Agricultural Department who are doing reference work under the direction of Professor Shepperd with the different laws and theories that have been proposed by the various plant workers as well as those who first began delving into this fascinating subject. Individual reports are given by the members on the assigned topics after which the subject is discussed in class. This series of lectures by Mr. Dynes will prove not only an innovation but also give the students some information first hand that could be obtained in no other way.

The first sign of activity among the surveyors was Professor Slocum and one student posing with instruments while John Magil took a picture of them.



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**AFTER WORDS.**  
Despite the frantic efforts of 11, assisted by various individuals recruited from the ranks of the gallery gods and supplies the freshies continued to enjoy themselves at their party Thursday evening. So the Freshmen say and further they say that if the faculty should receive any request for practical chemists that they are respectfully referred to the freshmen girls. It isn't everybody that would think of using the vinegar of the domestic science department for neutralizing the trouble that the sophs joyment. It is said that the only harm that the bottle of ammonia did was to wilt the leaves of a few of the Boston Ferns that decorated the room.

**ALL STARS.**  
Friday evening at the Moorhead Normal there occurred a fiercely contested basket ball game between the girls of that school and the All-Stars of Fargo. The result of the game was 17 to 4 in favor of the All-Stars. The All-Stars were Misses Doleshy, Heider, Kerr, Miller, McKee and Corbett. The first five named are A. C. girls.

**AT CHAPEL.**  
Next Monday morning Mr. Milton Fairchild of the Moral Education Board will address the students during convocation hour upon the "Ethics of Sport." The address will be illustrated by stereographs.

It is no josh that the freshman had a "stinking" good time Thursday evening.

Peter Nordby spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at Harwood.

Hurry up! The girls are almost all taken for the Engineer's dance Feb. 20th.

Owing to the holiday there was no faculty meeting last week.

The Trustees of the College were visitors at battalion parade last Wednesday.

**When the Maverick Bawls.**

He was a harmless looking scrub, His companion was likewise a dub. His bristling hair told of an uncurried youth. His companion was equally uncouth. 'Twas but a few weeks past The annual winter roundup had placed him in a college class. One cold and stormy day He and the other rusty jay Took their daily noonday feed At a restaurant's dusty board. "Are you going back to the school-house?" he then called. "Yes" his companion huskily bawled. Forthwith then they took their way to the college To absorb some more practical knowledge.

**A. C. QUINT WINS FROM MAYVILLE BRAVES**

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entrance that any team would be proud of. Kent Darrow was a star among his fellows, and Drummond the new and untried center, earned his position for the coming years. Clark played hard and fast but for the first time in history he failed at finding the basket. Haskins certainly was a hummer at guard and was at home with his big opponent but owing to the numerous fouls called on him, the latter part of the game, Hall was substituted for that position. Hall, however, was a strong guard and his gritty playing was scarcely excelled. Frank Darrow was somewhat smaller than his man but nevertheless was all around him. Green of the Normals was certainly a wonder in accuracy, speed, strength, and size. Sieme and Bittinger were the second best men for the Teachers. In fact the Teachers were about the huskiest men that ever played on the A. C. floor.

**Lineup:—**  
A. C. Mayville  
Darrow (Capt.) Sieme  
Clark If Green  
Drummond C. Bittinger  
Haskins—Hall rg. Evanson  
Darrow Fw lg. Porter  
Goals from field:—A. C.:  
—Kent, Darrow 4; Drummond, 2; Haskins, 2; F. Darrow, 3; Mayville:—Sieme, 3; Green, 6; Bittinger, 2; Evanson, 1. Goals from fouls: K. Darrow, 4; Sieme, 3; J. C. Darrow, 1.

Time of halves, 20 minutes.

**IN SOIL CHEMISTRY.**

The Farm Husbandry class in soil chemistry are about to begin on a very interesting series of experiments on samples of soil from their home localities.

Plant growth from the original soil will first be obtained as a standard for comparison. Then in the first half of the series various constituents will be removed. First the humus will be burned out; then the soluble portion will be removed with water, citric acid and hydrochloric acid successively. Plants will be grown in the samples after each of these treatments and at lastly in quartz which is devoid of nutriment. In second group constituents such as sodium nitrate, acid phosphate, potassium sulphate and calcium will be added and the growing qualities tested as before. Finally two organic fertilizers, blood and tankage will be used on the soil.

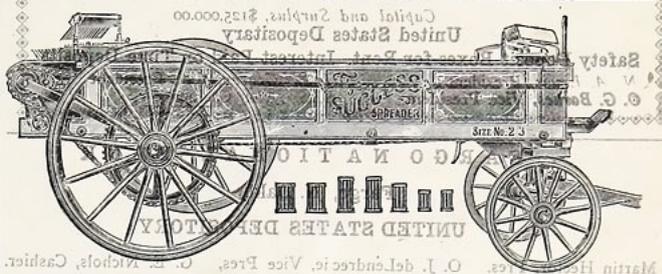
The class in Organic Chemistry is winding its work on that subject and will spend the remainder of the term on Sanitary Chemistry.

Every time the board of trustees meets Tom spreads sand over the walks. The rest of the time we all spread over the walks.

No great European capital is without its university. London, Paris, Berlin, and Rome for instance, are all educational centers of importance. Washington, however, while it has all of the incidentals, lacks the institution.

After the declamation contest, passed good weather may be expected until the orators get busy. Professor Moller (taking over the phone) "Bring me over forty annuals". The Juniors are after him.

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