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## Day of Prayes observed on Thursday

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Dean Burleson Delivers Pleasing and Impresive Address to Students

## BECOME BROADER MINDED

Urges Development of the Spiritual Nature of the Student.

The Day of Prayer was observed at the College last Thursday by convocation excercises in the nre must follow in apportioning Armory: Dean Burleson of Fargo was the speaker and devoted his time to giving a pratical talk to the students in a way with which everyone seemed highly pleased. ""I'want you to forget that I am a minister and am saying these things because I am instructed to" were his opening words, "but think of me for a time, if you can as a man talking to men of something which I beleive in and which I think will interest and benefit vou.

"A great many people think that religion is for some few pecple and not for the common people to use in their everyday life. I want to put this idea out of your minds and impress upon you the usefulness and practical nature of real Christianity.

"First, I want to put the idea" out of your minds that being a Christian makes a man any less useful and broad minded. Take the President of the United States, there is not a more broad minded and energetic man than Theodore Roosevelt and yet he follows the Christian faith.

"The real things in life are the things that you don't see. Let us, then, asume that there is a Ged, for before you can work out any scientific facts it is necessary that you assume certain things to be true and start with certain theories, then we beleive that there is a God and that he will help us in our everyday life because we try leading Christian lives and find that we are benefited.

"The Day of prayer is set apart and observed in all the colleges that the scientists and students may take a little time from their various kind of work to think of things spiritual, for no man is a strong man unless he developes the three sides of his nature, spiritual moral, and physical. In order to devote some time every day to thinking along different lines besides merely scientific. Become broader and live broader lives for you will become better men and women.

#### SECOND YEAR FARM HUSBANDRY MEN ORGANIZE

Last week the second year Farm Husbandry men organized and elected following officers: Wm. Maxwell ..... President Urban Ebner....Sec.—Treasurer The class as organized has had its picture taken for the Aggassiz. Considerable credit is due to this class as it is the first to organize in its second year.

#### CHAPEL. COLLEGE HERD FREE Legislative Committee Visitors at Chapel. Speak to Students.

The feature of yeseterdays chapel was to have been the singing of college songs but owing to the presence of the Legislative investigating committee the regular order of services was diverted from in order to give these gentlemen an opportunity to speak to the students. Both Senator Crane and Representative Wolv , addressed the students.

Senator Crane briefly spoke of the procedure which the legislatthe appropriation among the various state institutions and how the request must necessarily be trimmed to meet the amount which is available, and which is not more than half of the entire sum requested the state institutions. Mr. Welv , spoke further on

this subject touching upon the Agricultural nature of the state. It is the one industry of the state. For that reason he said that it was his belief that we should have the best agricultural college in the country.

The Station Cattle are not Afflict. ed with the Dread Disease.

Within the past week the Col. lege herd has been tested for the berculesis by a represent sole of the Bureau of Animal Industry. The Bureau is endeavoring to obtain data on the prevalency of Tuberculosis at the State Agricultural Colleges and also in the herds owned by individuals throughout the different states. The cattle here at the College were found to be entirely free from the disease.

This state of affairs is a result of the great care which has been exercised in the College herd in buying nothing but animals which had been tested and known to be free from indection and eliminating at one any showing indieations of being infected. The eredit of this state of affairs is due to the united efforts of Professor Richards and Dr. Van Es who have been untiring in their efforts to maintain the College herd in a healthy condition.

**Contest next Friday** 

Gold and Silver Medals.

ON THIS WEEK.

the Rival Societies

Represented.

Next Friday night the speakers

of the College will clash in the an-

President Worst. The coming

The following is the program

which will be delivered in the Col-

lege Chapel upon the evening of

..... Miss Grest

Music ..... College Choir

President of the Evening ....

Feb. 5th:

offr i FROM TUBERCULOSIS Senior May be Made to be Even

as a Little Prep. By the action of the faculty the senior, yes even the haughty -S may be made to humble

D.mself even as a little prep should it happen that he be found lacking in one or two of the required preparatory studies or as a freshman should he in that year long past when endowed with all of the follies of youth have flunked out a couple of times. According to the action of the faculty on Jan 29th, all students will be listed in the forthcoming edition of the catalogue according to the rules of the faculty governing such classification.

COME DOWN.

The rule is as follows and is printed on the report slips of the students at the end of each term.

"Promotion :- No student who is more than two full term subjects in arrears of his class shall be promoted and before admission to the Senior class all subjects due previous to the Junior year must be completed.

"If a student fails to pass subject with his class he is given an opportunity to make it up by specia' exam before the next class takes up the subject. If the condition is not removed he must take the work with the next class."

In accordance with these rules a student who expects to graduate next June he should have two preparatory or freshman subjects in arrears will be listed in the catalogue as a preparatory student or a freshman. It is therefore advisable to hand in all entrance credentials and make up all failures or conditions as soon as possible.

#### ANNUAL ORATORIAL CONTEST FEB. 26. '09

There are at present ten persons who are extremely busy working upon · orations for the oratorial contest to be held Feb. 26, '09. These persons need every word of encouragement as the intercollegiate contest is to be held here April 9th and the A. C. this time wants to win. There are two or three who for lack of time have dropped out of the contest. Should there be any more that wish to try out they should hand contest are, Magill, Staples, Mich-College Oil Cans....John Brander els, Ford, Becker, Nordby, Olson,

> Have you seen the skating rink lately?

#### ENGINEERS DEFEAT

FARGO HIGH TEAM. In a fast game Saturday evening on our home floor the Engineers defeated the Fargo High School team by a score of 17 to 15. This was the only game played in Fargo that evening but owing to the lack of advertisement the attendance was small.

the winners for one year and become permanent property when won the second time.

The judges of the contest will

## **Bad Luck Abroad** But Never Mind

A. C. Quint Loses Hard Against Two Fast Teams .-- Capt. Darrow Out.

ST THOMAS HERE SATURDAY

#### Bring Out Your Strongest Lungs. Learn to Yell and Forget Your Loves.

Amid stings of defeat our team comes back to us, but none the less gallant in our eyes. Outclassed by a score of 42 to 12 by the revengeful St. Cloud Normal teaín Friday and by a score of 52 to 11 at St. Thomas is the doleful news that is whispered in our ears. How ever, a long, hard trip, a strange floor, and Captain Darrow out of the game is enough to give any team a streak of hard luck. The substitutes were used and all the players did their best but circumstances seemed to be against them.

Nex<sup>+</sup> Saturday evening there will be an interesting game in our gym when the A. C. team takes its revenge on the St. Thomas five. This contest will mean a lot to us and each and every loyal student should be there with his stronges lungs. In order to promote moeffective rooting, those gentle.

that are encline' to go double are requested to either break their lovebonds and join in with the cheers or withdraw fom the ranks of the rooters to a corner by themselves. Another thing that would help along is the studying of the yells and the appointment of a yell leader for the occasion. The management of athletics also, fearing that there may be an misunderstanding of the free pass system, states that all students holding registration cards will be admitted to the game free of charge upon the presentation of the card. You paid for this privilege when you entered College.

#### COMING SCHEDULE.

Following is the basket ball schedule for the A. C. teams for the remainder of he season. It will be noted that but two games for the girls appears on the list. in their orations at once. Those The manager has met with difwho are at present entered in the ficulty in securing games for them. At Home.

Feb 6th ..... St. Thomas Feb. 13th boys and girls Mayville Feb. 27. boys and girls State Science School.

Mar. 13th. ..... St. Johns Abroad

Feb. 29 ..... Valley City Feb. 22 ..... Bismark Co. A Mar. 6th ..... Fargo College. Mar. 20th. ..... Mayville

#### THE "SHORT MEN" BEAT THE "LONG MEN."

Wednesday evening the long and short course Aggies met in a contest for baskets which resulted in a score of 18 to 14 in favor of the "Short Men". The "Long Men" were greatly handicapped by the absence of Bert Haskins, the untiring forward, and Michels, the big center.

#### **Annual Declamatory** PROF. WILLARD RE-CEIVES PROOF OF MAP Map Shows in Colors the Soil Differintiations and Types. Speakers W 1 Vic for the Worst Last week Professor Willard re-

ceived the color proof of his soil map from the hands of the printers. This map represents two ELEVEN CONTESTANTS ARE years of hard work and is as de tailed as a map of that size can be. It does not show all the fea-Demonstration is Expected From tures of the detailed soil survey maps but it is possible to tell from this in a general way what the character of the soil is in any part of the state. It should be of aid to the land buyer who wishes to nual declamatory contest for the know whether he is purchasing a gold and silver medals offered by rock pile or a swamp. There are twenty seven soil differtiations contest promises to be an interestor types showe, but all are including one fraught with rivalry beed in a few series, The principal tween the societies. The Atheniseries are the Fargo, the Marshall ans won the banner in debate : and the Morton. who will win the gold medal?

The Fargo seales with its eight different types of soils includes the Mouse River Valley, the Red River Valley, and parts of Sargent and Dickey counties. The Marshall series with eight different types of soils include all of the rolling prairie east of the Missouri. The Morton series are valley types of soils such as fringe the Sheyenne, James, and Missouri do this it is necessary that you Valleys. The map will be ready for distribution in six weeks.

> their class pins Saturday The design is original with the The Poolish Boy. Edwin Traynor class being in the form of a shield Peters the Susceptable .... of wheat on which is a shield wearing the class colors and numerals. The pins are Roman gold and are very attractive.

It is proposed to make this sign permanent for the shield which will be in the class color of the Prizes :vear.

A much needed coat rack has been placed on the third floor of ident Worst. Science hall.

Blame . . The Plumed Knight ..... Ole Naarl F. H. PINS.

Mice at Play ..... Ruby Gibbens and Nemzek. Rip Van Winkle Olaf Hendrickson The Cyclopedia... Lottie Lockhart Happiness and Liberty ..... ..... Allen Clark The Farm Husbandry men re- The Moonlight Sonata ..... Annie O'Keefe ..... Ruth Heath In the Pursuit of old English ..... Fern Dynes Cut off from the People ... ..... Will Stapleton

Music ..... Selected 1st Gold Medal-Donor President Worst.

2nd--Silver Medal-donor Pres-

These medals will be held by be announced later.

## A. C's Needs from Student **View Points.**

VETERINARY BUILDING The veterinary facilities at the not accommodate the students taking veterinary subjects in connection with an agricultural education, and the board has already established a full collegiate course in veterinary medicine and surgery, a new building is absolutely necessary.

About twenty students have signified their intention to take this course and there will no doubt be more applications in if the course house and the Domestic Science North Dakota. The College au- in and arround Fargo is indeed so thorities have during the pass few years a great many inquiries after students who have come expecting to find opportunities for that type of training have been turned away.

A small appropriation has been asked for. Would it not be cheaper for North Dakota to erect this building than to send those twenty boys out of the state for an edneation.?

The stockmen and farmers of this state have a right to demand this building. There is no state which is face to face with greater problems in connection with animal diseases than North Dakota and naturally they look to the experiment Station for advice and aid, and yet there is no state with poorer faciltities for research work. Stock men lose more animal each year from preventable liseases which could easily be

t in check by the proper use be manfactured at our experiment station. than would build several Mechanics divisions of the Depart veterinary buildings.

As to the Collegiate course in veterinary medicine here are some reasons why many students who wish to learn a profession look, to this course.

Th head of this department is one of the foremost doctors in America. With such a man as Dr. Van Es at the head of the department they are assured of the best instruction possible.

Graduates from this course would have the following opportu ities that skill in the profession offers: as inspector and assistant in the bureau of animal industry, as an instructor in agriculture college or veterinary school, as an investigator, as a veterinary surgeon in the army, as state veterinarian, as veterinarian tot municipal health boards, as a stock farm manager, and as a practition-

The course offered by the college is equal to any in America and is on a par with the best offered in Europe.-J. D.

#### Agricultural Department.

your editorial on appropriations perhaps the students of the College would be interested in knowing the present needs of the Agricultural Department. There are two very urgent needs in this department, one for a dairy building and dairy barn and the other a veterinary building.

One look inside the present creamery will satisfy a person that it is an entirly unfit place in which to make a product for human food. Not only is it unsaitary, but with the present number

date them, consequently the lecture work is given in the college College at the present time can chapel and the utter lacg of equip ment in the creamery makes the majority of the students so disgusted that they will not go there for practical work.

To supplement the work in the proposed new dairy building the department is also in great need of a dairy barn. The present cattle barn is entire ly overcrowded and not enough cows are kept to supply the needs of the farm was once started and known over Department. The supply of milk meager that the College up to the present time has been unable to work in veterinary medicine and purchase a supply of whole milk on the market, consequently no instruction has been, given this term in the use of the cream separator, The few cows available for instruction in dairy conformation and type are utterly inade quate for present needs.

> We are also in great need of a new stock judging pavillion. There are at present two hundred and twenty five men taking this work in a room scarcely large enough to accommodate one half that number. No instruction could be given this term in advanced judging on account of lack of specimens and facilities, though over eighty men expressed a willingness to take this work.

There are other buildings and equipment needed very badly, but the few that I have mentioned are paramount, and if appropriations for these are obtained it will reof sera and vaci is which should leive the tention in the Animal Husbandry, Agronamy, and Farm ment.

> It seems to me, Mr. Editor, that North Dakota being a strictly agricultural state and depending entirely on the products of the soil for her riches, that her Legislators should be exceedingly liberal towards our college in the matter of appropriations, especially when they consider the wast number of young men that come here each year for instruction along agricultural lines, and that owing to the lack of facilities we are unable to give them the proper instruction. The boys and girls of N. Dak. deserve the best the state can give them, and should the Legislature see fit to grant us a liberal appropriation I am sure they will not be disappointed in the way the College will receive it.

W. R. L., '09.

#### THE POWER PLANT.

From the standpoint of the students the passage of the present bill before the legislature appropriating the money for the installation and maintainance of an electric power plant at the To Spectrum :- After reading Agricultural College cannot be too highly commended. In line week's Spectrum. I thought with the present movement to cen tralize the College life as far as possible on the campus, it is of the utmost importance.

The present lighting system is alternating current, and to be used in motors and laboratory apparatus has to be transformed into dirrect current, thus entailing considerable loss of current as well as extra apparatus and space. Getting current from the down town power plant we are entirely dependent upon conditions at the plant for our light and power, and of students wishing creamery the recent demonstration during home in Francis Hall is not large work it is impossible to accommo- the reception to the Grain Grow-

expect: The College will never require less current for lighting and power than it does at present and in the near future, especially with the establishment of a Women's Building and dormitories on the can pus, the amount of current used must be considerabl increased. When such buildings are built and large numbers of the students and fculty re-

day main at the College and night, some system of lighting the campus and drives will be necessary and this will also greatlyagment the amount of current necessary. This load will probably be of a very fluctuating nature as at present, and large demands are liable to be made on the power plant on short notice. With our own power these demands could in a nature be anticipated and trouble avoided.

The re-organization of the equippment of the mechanical department and especially the machine shop will witness the installation of a large number of motor driven machine tools and appliances, which will be running at all nours of the day. Larger and larger amounts of current will be used in the engineering laboratories as the department grows, and with the installation of a course in electrical engineering, a complete power plant equipment will be a necessary feature of the laboratory apparatus. Even now in the study of electric machines the senior mechnical engineers should have such a plant for practical reference work. With our own power station on the campus, no extra cost would be entailed for this work, and power plant, generator, and switchboard tests could be made with dispatch under actual running conditions.

Objections can of course be raised on the ground that the College power plant would be as as liable to failure as the city cusrent, and in other minor matters, but it is thought that the advantages to be gained are so numerous and marked as to entirely offset anything to the contrary, and the recent action of the board of trustees in recommending such a power plant shows that they in sympathy with the needs of the institution. V. C. P. '09.

#### **O**pinions of College Women From Two Standpoints-Dorm and Instruction.

Domesti', Science was given its home in Francis Hall in 1890.

and began its work in three rooms with a coal range, tables, and .a few cooking utensils. In 1898 these were found not sufficient, desks were added to the laborotory and gas connection provided. In the same year sewing classes were organized and were given a room adjoining those used for cooking.

For eleven years the work has been carried on in these few and small rooms, beginning with the attendance of about a dozen girls and now crowing in about onehundered and fifty-five. Those taking studies along the line of cooking numbering 85 and those in sewing 75.

Where the work given in this department was only one or two classes in cooking and sewing we now have the three year Domestic Science course embracing cooking, sewing, dietetics, composition of food, marketing and domestic accounts house hold science and various other subjects, our little enough, we must have more room



spent there in lecture and labora-that to try on a garment for at tory work. What is going to be the least provocation that parti-The room first intended and us-

used for that purpose, a lecture room and office. We must have a lecture room and the professor ought to have a room where she can work and study with out being interrupted or bothered by the coming and going of the girls.

The course requires laundry work, but how are we going to do satisfactory work using dishpans and four by ten inch wash boards, to be sure we will learn the science of the work, it is always practice that makes perfect, but, perfect work cannot be done with these utensils. We need a laboratory es-

done then?

corner of the room to be used for tion is lying flat on the floor. We have no room for supplies or locked for a reception room is now ers to keep the sewing articles in and every colleges relizes the need of these. for school belongings have a great habit of walking away. There are two small show cases provided in which to exhibit the work done by the girls and there is not more than enough room in these to exhibit the work of two of the girls saying nothing of showing the work of seventy-five.

This department is being built up more every year but the standard cannot be reached until we

(Continued on Page 3.)



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« Societies «

Y. W. C. A.

meeting was held at the Dormi-

tory was held Wednesday even-

ing, Jan. 17. Miss McCarty lead

and the subject was "The College

one should be careful to be kind

must be careful not to neglect

others who are not so nar to us,

but be helpful and friendly to all

to show the true spirit of Christi-

After the meeting a short social

ession was held and fudge passed

At this meeting was the largest at-

tendance of this year and it is

hoped the attendance will keep

ATHENIAN.

The Athenian Literary Society

met in the society room Friday,

Jan. 29th. The first number was

music by the male quartette,

which was much enjoyed. Amos

Ewen gave an amusing reading.

Paul Funderhide told of "Survey-

ing in the Everglades," which

was very interesting. Wm. Lanx-

ou speke upon "Institute Speek-

ing" from a beginners standpoint.

Jessie Thompson read an original

poem, "Glimpse into the Young

Ladie's Hall'' which showed her

having great talent along this line

Mr. Harold song a solo which was

much appreciated by all. Next

followed a story telling contest;

in which Ben Barrett, Addie Staf-

took part. The judges decided up-

on Ben aBrrett's story as best and Earl Verrington's as second. Mis-

ses Ruth Hull and Jessie Peterson

played a beautiful duet as the

Y. M. U. A.

ing, Rev. Orr, who was to speak

at the Y. M. C. A. meeting last Wednesday failed to make connec

tions so there was no meeting

Mr. W. E. Fenno, representa-

tive of the International commit-

tee of the Y. M. C. A. and who is

A meetning in chanel Wednes-

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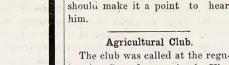
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The club was called at the regular time Saturday evening by Vice President Peterson. A musical selection by the quartette and a talk upon "The Relation of Humins to Fertility'' were the features of the program.

MUSTINISK T.L.L.R.C.W.

#### LADIES' HAL! NOTES.

The Hon. A. S. Gibbens visited his daughters, Ruby and Gertrude. between trains on Friday.

Misses McCarty and Alexander dined at the Metropole, Saturday evening.

Miss Mary Keely, of the Moorhead normal, visited her friend, Miss Norris, at Ladies' Hall, Saturday.

Miss Fern Dynes spent Satur-Girl, Christian and her Social day and Sunday with friends on the South side. W. C. A. meant fellowship and

"Oh, Calia, how are your pietures?'

and helpful to all and not be "Aw; they're just lik eme." wrapped up in one friend. While Misses McCarty and Alexander we have our own particular entertained a "few" friends at friends which we love most, we Ladie's Hall Tuesday evening.

> Arthur Anderson is back at college. He will spend six weeks in the study of Pharmacy in preparation of the Mar. exams.

Burke Chritchfield was called home Friday by the illness of his mother.

#### LOST'!

In wash roo! of Mechanical Building last Saturday, one plain gold hand ring engraved V. C. P. Please leave at Spectrum office.

PRESENTATION OF

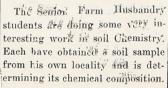
"LUCY WHITE" SOON The Edwin Booth Dramatic Club is busy preparing their play 'Lucy White'' or "A Professor's Love Story." Francis Willard, the noted actor played in it for several seasons and it has been staged successfully in a number of colleges in America.

The play is exceedingly well adapted to North Dakota audiences as it is full of wit and humor intermingled with pathos. It is sure of making a bigger hit than did the presentation of "Captain Racket.'

The dates decided for the presentation of the play in Fargo are either Feb. 12 or 22. The clubs object in putting on the play is noteworthy as they are going to furnish a hospital room with the proceeds for the use of A. C. stu-Owing to some misunderstand dents . Watch your mail and the bullering board and get further particulars.

> Professor: "All plants take up carbon dioxide, or in other words breath the breath we give off."

confused :) - "You say that we ular vote. breath carbon dioxide. In enginconducting a series of lectures every evening at the city Y. M. C. eering they say carbon dioxide is A., will speak at the College Y. M. you? Well, I would like to know where I am at."



The Freshmen haunt the Library of late in a desperate attempt to decide on the weighty



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No arrangéments habe been smoke. (Giving violent breath:) No arrangements habe been "You don't see any smoke, do made as yet for the laboratory work of the Junior Physic class but the Juniors are bearing the disappointment witht characteristic cheerfulness.

> Professor Richards: "Mr. Cooper, how far did you say that horse traveled ?"

Cooper: "One hundred miles in a day, but I don't know how long you would call a day."

Stapleton : "Twenty four hours'

The biologists have begun their question of iniative and referend- work mon the grading of seed in um in legislation and the virtues their experiments of last summer.



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When the law, which removed the tax on alcohol that had been rendered unfit for drinking purposes was passed by congress June 7th, 1906 a great deal was said and written upon the matter that had only a slight coloring of truth in it. Many people, especially farmers were lead to beliveve that the fuel, light and be solved. In other words the impression was quite prevalent then, could produce plenty of alcohol from the products on his farm that ordinarily goes to waste. These ideas, of course originated or animated from some ultra-enthusiast who was none too careful to post himself upon the facts prophesies held out in this unwar-

alcoho! from his waste products to supply his needs but we mash containing the fermentable are in no proximity of so fortunate a condition. Of course there are many farm products that can be used in the manufacture of alcohol but at the same time comparitively few of them can be used with profit, because of the high price of these products and the demand for them for other purposes. It should also be understood that the refuse of the farm will provide only a small fraction of the alcohol demandea if the substance ever comes into general use and I think that it will. This simply means that farmers will have to grow certain crops for the express the alcohol and of neccessity of purpose of being converted into such a nature as not to inhibit or alcohol. These crops will probably vary with the section in which they are grown. In the solution of the problem for one section may not be the solution for another section.

upon denatured alcohol as

failure as far as he is concerned.

the farmer could produce enough

In the extreme south, cane molasses seems to be the probable source while in the eastern and southeastern states the "cassava" plant seems to be promising material. This plant contains 25 per cent fermentable matter and has power problems for them would an average yield of four tons per acre, which is the equivalent of 90 gallons of 90 per cent alcohol. that since there are so many farm In the middle states corn will proproduct from which alcohol can bably continue to be the source alcohol produced from this latter be made, almost any farmer of alcohol for some time to come class of materials is small. and the south west has a cactus become discouraged and to look a potato will be found that will greatly the supply of raw material 120

THE WEEKLY SPECTRUM answer the purpose and can be but the technical difficulties at- BEIDLER & ROBINSON Lbr. Co improved from year to year as has been the case in Germany. In the erection of a distillery there are many important considerations to be taken into account. It must be located in a district where the raw materials are plenty and where the finished product can be placed upon the market conveniently. Next to the consideration of the raw materials comes that of the water supply. It would impossible to run a distillery with out an abundance of cold water. If iron, copper, or aluminum are present they must be removed as hydroxides as diastase is precipitated by the salts of these metals. The third considera-

tion is the fuel supply. After the distillery had been located the next consideration would be the kind of apparatus and machinery to be installed the best is of course none to good. The most expensive priced apparatus in the distillery is the complicated copper stills about twenty feet high and eighteen inlhes in diameter. A still of this lapacity, one hundred and fifty gallons was used at Washington, D. C., and cost about six thousand dollars. The cost of the complete distillery being nearly ten thousand dollars.

Now as to the operation of a distillery. The distiller must be a man of practical experience in distilling and must thoroughly understand the operation of all of the machinery and the entire process from beginning to end. He will need two assistants one a little above the average intelligence and an ordinary working man. It takes just as large a force to operate a hundred gallon distillery as a five hundred gallon. The two requirements which must be ab-It would indeed be fortunate if solutely adhered to are cleanliness and system. The yeast mash should be ready as soon as the matter has been cooked and run into the fermenter. Here the mash has been allowed to ferment and when the fermentation has ceased the mash is said to be "dead" The beer as it is called is distilled immediately. If allowed to stand in the fermenter after the other fermentations will start alcoholic fermentation has ceased and cause a loss of alcohol. gauged so that as soon as the beer tilled the next one will be ready for distilation.

In all distilleries the process is essentially the same with the exception of treatment of raw materials and distillation. The process of treating raw materials differs slightly but the object is the same in every case, namely the thorough gelatinization of the starch and the separation of the Raw materials may be divided into three classes.

1st: those containing starch including all cereals, cassav, and but this is not the case. Only abpotato etc.

which may have a future for alco- the crops which must be raised of about 50 per cent in small inhol production. Here in the noth- especially for the production of west it is harder to predict just alcohol. I will now consider duct to a more complicated comwhat erop or erops will eventu- briefly the waste products which munity still where it may be really prove best adapted to which may be used. The stalks of this purpose. The sugar beet and field corn, sweet corn, and surgum in the case. The fact that the the potato have promise. So far contain large quantities of ferthe attempts to grow the special mentable material in the shape of ranted advertizing have not been alcohol potato have not been suc- sugar and starch. If this material realized has caused the farmer to cessful but it is very possible that could be used it would increas

tending the utilzation of stalks are so great that it is doubtful whether means can be devised whereby their use can be made profitable for alcohol production. This matter should, however, be investigated because if stalks could be used, have almost-an inexhaustable supply of material. The supply would have to be disposed of in two or three months if all of the fermentable matter is to be utilized and this would have to be the case or the raw materia! would not pay. In curing the stalks the sugars ferment, and the alcohol is lost.

Molasses is the by-product in the manufacture of sugar. It has about fifty percent fermentable matter, and there is a vast amount of this to be had.

Distillery, however, could not be erected just for the purpose of converting into alcohol these waste products of this nature as some years the amount of spoiled grain is small.

Denatured alcohol is divided in to two class according to the denaturant used. Namely, completely denaturized alcohol and specially denaturized alcohol. The completely denaturized alcohol is made by addition to one hundred volumes of grain alcohol 10 volumes of wood alcohol which must be approved by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and one half volume of benzine or kerosene. Another formula may also be used. This consists of two vol. of wood alcohol and one volume of pyridine bases. This completely denaturised alcohol is used for light, heat, and to produce power.

The formulac for the specially denaturized alcohol are submitted and passed upon by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and only one formula is allowed for each industry unless there is good reason for allowing more. The special is essential in the process of manufacture, for example the alcohol used for the production of ether is denaturized with ether or sulphuric acid. The permission to use special denaturants has broadened the application of alcohol in industrial processes.

The efficiency of alcohol for lighting purpose as compared to kerosene has been shown by the electrical testing laboratories of New York where the following data was obtained: Alcohol has an efficiency of three and onehalf times that of kerosene, or gallon of alcohol at sixty cents is as cheap as kerosene at eighteen cents per gallon.

Owing to the expensive and complicated apparatus and large amounts of raw materials needed to run a distillery economically cellulose. The distilation of alco- the individual farmer will never hol, if a high per centage of dis- have a distillery of his own as tillate is desired, is always carried was first predicted. The prevailon in a continuous rectifying still. ing belief is that the farmers of Germany have their own small distillery for the production of alcohol for denaturizing purposes out 10 per cent. of the 80.000 dis-2nd: those containing sugar as tilleries in Germany make denatbeet, corn cobs, stalks, fruits, etc. urized alcohol. These distilleries 3rd: Those composed of woody are largo and are run on the cofiber and etc. The quantity of operative plan. The farmers in this country will have to organize co- operative distilleries or they So far I have only considered may produce a low strength spirit expensive stills and take this proctified.

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AN EXPERIENCE IN THE ROCKIES. (R. E. Miller)

My friend, Ned Newton, and I labored wearily up the steey trail. Night had come suddenly upon us while we were yet several miles from Silver Creek, a small mining town which we had hoped to reach that evening, and as the heart of the Rocky Mountains is a very dangerous place to spend a night, we began to cast about for some shelter where we might sleep. As we rounded a curve in the trail at the bottom of a deep and gloomy canyon we came upon an old ramshackle hut built in among the softly whispering pines and spruces. We cautiously approached it and rapped smartly upon the door. It was flung open by a very tall fierce looking mountaineer who demanded of us what we wanted. We asked him for a place to sleep, and without a word but with a gleam in his piercing black eyes he motioned us to come in. We entered and saw an equally tall and fierce looking women moving with a catlike tread around a table preparing the evening meal. No introductions were offered and they both kept sullenly silent or only answered in gruff monosyllables to our attempts at conversation. We had been there but a few

minutes when six tall muscular looking sons came in, each carry ing an axe over his shoulder and a gleaming hunting knife at the belt, each looking as fierce as his parents. They glared at us from under shaggy black eye brows as they filed past into the kitchen but not a word was spoken. Ned moved restlessly in his chair and cast longing glances at the door Supper was called and we ate heartily of the plain but plentiful meal. Soon after supper the father took a candle and showed us up a ladder into the garret where there was a bed made on the floor where we were to sleep. After setting the candle on a box he descended and removed the ladder. Our fears were now proved, in our own minds to be correct and we looked at each other certain that by morning we would be dead.

We lay down determined not to sleep but our day's tramp had wearied us and we fell into troubl-

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a few moments, it seemed to me, the needle went down to fifteen when I awoke with a start. I could see a pale stream of light coming thru the square hole in the floor where we had entered, and A. C.'s NEEDS FROM STUsome one was coming up the ladder. The light grew brighter and brighter when a hand holding a half burnt candle was thrust thru the hole. Soon the father's head came in sight holding a sharp pointed evil looking knife in his mouth. I closed my eyes in terror unable to move a muscle. He came up thru the trap door and crawled noislessly toward us. Then I heard his wife whisper, 'Are they asleep''? He remained silent and bent over us taking the knife from his mouth and gripping it tightly in his hand. I was ready to yell when he jumped to his feet and cut off a strip of bacon that was hanging from the

#### MY FIRST SALMON. (Robert Amidon.)

rafters above.

At fast the much hoped for hour had arrived as I rowed out onto the heaving swells of the Pacific. I looked forward with big expectation, this being my first salt water fishing. I held a heavy line between my teeth which extended nearly one hundred and fifty feet back of the boat. A number eight brass spoon and hook adorned the other end of the line. The weather was warm and balmy and every now and then a school of channel fish would dart past with the sun striking their silvery sides.

Suddenly there came a hesitating nibble at the hook and then, and then a vicious jerk. Leaping to my feet I began reeling in my line to gain a lead upon, quarry before he had recovered from the surprise of being so unceremoniously dragged along. But he suddenly made a dash for the bottom then up again and straight away from the boat, the line cutting the air with a swish. At last his rushes became less vicious and little by little I edged him nearer until at last I had him within grabbing distance. A quick lunge, a jerk and he lay upon the bottom of the boat slapping out his life. He was certain-

ly a beautiful specimen of the it being my first catch. Upon conveniences, and in the cold

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pounds.

DENT VIEW POINTS. (Continued from Page 2)

have the building and room where the work can be carried out to to the best advantage. S. B.

#### THE DORMITORY.

At the present time, no new building is more needed on the campus of the Agricultural College than is the proposed Woman's Building. For four years an appropriation for the construction of such building has been asked for, but has not as yet been granted.

The Agricultural College, as all are aware, is a coeducational institution, but so far no provision has been made for dormitories to accommodate the large number of students which it now has in attendance, not even for the women students.

Up to the beginning of the school year of 1907 young ladies were forced to find homes and boarding houses thruout the city of tan times so far from the college as to be very inconvenient. Then too, these were very often not of the best and the price paid for board and room ranged all the way from \$3.75 to \$5.00 per week. It was observed that the number of women students decreased gradually year by year, the reason being that parents refused to send their daughters away from home to live among strangers where no interest would be taken as to their welfare.

The college realized the exact situation and did what they could to better condition by renting and repairing the only building available at a convenient distance from the college and fitting up for a girls Dormitory. Though an old building it was made to look as attractive as possible but at its utmost capacity can only accomodate forty girls. Living in this old building all is not as pleasant as might be supposed by the casual observer, for they must learn to silver salmon and more beautiful do without a number of necessary

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The proposed Women's Building according to the plans already specified will supply rooms for 125 women, and the dining room capacity will reach 200. It will also contain the department of Domestic Science which has long ago outgrown its present quarters. and cannot continue its important field of work in the Present situation.

The propased Woman's Building would satisfy not only a long felt need of the Domestic Science department but also fulfill the need of a home for the large number of women students. It is a dream of the future which all women interested in the institution hope to realize this year.

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#### OUTSIDE WORK.

Too many of the failures in recitation and the term's work are attributed to outside work. If a student has an inclination to go to class without preparing his les. Intersociety debates are valuable. son, it is very easy to plead that They train for larger contests, outside work was pressing him and he is let off with this excuse, when in reality the outside work tion for the art on a larger scale. that he is engaged in was not the cause of his failure in the least.

If the faculty would investigate more closely they would find that it is not the students that are doing the most outside work that are the lowest in heir classes. The out an intercollegiate contest in students that are responsible for the largest number of failure are and work has been absolutely not the ones that are doing the greatest amount of outside work, for the majority of them are not devoting five hours a week to outside work.

The fact that the standings of many of the students who are those places without the loss of a working their way through school penny to any one. Our intercolleand are actively engaged in outside work, show that they maintain a good grade in class, is proof it would in any college town. that the work really engaged in When an athletic team makes a is not the reason for so many trip the expense is necessarily failures. It futhermore points to great because of the comparativethe fact that there is something ly large number which must be car else responsible for poor work. ried. In this case the number is This responsibility must be placed on the inclination the student has a minimum the expense. to study and his ability to do outside work and keep up with his the outside work is done that realathletics as well as the other work that is engaged in by the student the team. The amount that a individual student can do with out detracting from his regular work should rightfully be the determining factor in restricting a student's outside work and not what some students have failed to do. A distinction should be made between

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## **Public Opinion.**

Intercollegiate Debating. Since the Athena-Philo debate before the holidays, shortly commont has been heard in literary circles at the college relative to an intercollegiate contest with some outside institution. Among tana and South Dakota Agricultural colleges seem to be the most promising.

While our school is largely on technical and scientific basis, there are these who take an interest in debates and have done much to raise the standard of this line of work in the past few years. Many creditable debates are heard in the societies as well as the regular literary society debates.

As debate work stands at present at the college, there is little or no incentive to revive the art

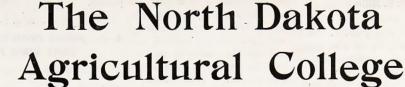
to any great extent. If a man wins the oratorical he is made to feel that he will represent his own college in an outside contest and that the oratorical honor of the school rests solely upon him. they serve to maintain a healthy rivalry, and they build a founda-But it may be said here truthfully. that a man's patriotism for his school as a whole is much larger and greater than his patriotism for his literary society. But if an intersociety debate is held withsequence then that much time wasted.

From a financial standpoint, the writer feels certain that either the Bozeman, (Mont) A. C. team or work which is ordinarily termed the one from Brookings, S. D., could be brought here of the N. D. A. C. team could go to either of giate debate here would certainly be a good drawing card here as very small thus cutting down to

Last year the Bozeman A. C. wanted a debate, but no one at school work at the same time. In the A. C. was sufficiently interestother words it is the way in which ed in the project to carry it. If this could be carried out, it would ly counts and not the amount that really be known who at the A. C. is engaged in. This is true with had debating talent, because of the great competition to get on 24. 111-1-11

#### ABOUT DEBATES.

Editor Spectrum :-I noticed your editorial on debates with a suggestion that some of ns interested in such contests should say something about the subject. Now, while I have not



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inter-society, inter-department,

inter-collegiate, - any kind, in fact, jost so we have them." It

is at such contests as a debate be-

tween societies, -- where one set

position, - that we see the high

est type of genuine enthusiasm.

Never since your correspondent

came to, the Alma Mater did ha

hear such unstinted cheering as at

our public debate about six weeks

ago. It was enough to make one

on "the firing line" feel well re-

self above the average of our Ai can build up and develop this C. debaters, I shall here outline a faculty in our students is to do the few principles that I consider best we can with what little trainworthy of at least a passing thot. ing we now have. I say, "Certain-In the first place, our institution is not primarily a college that naturally develops talent of this kind. In fact, the only part of our training that has any tendency to promote public speaking in any form is gained almost exclusively outside the regular duties of the class-room. We have lately, it is true, been favored in this respect with the addition of a department in public speaking and oratory; but up to the present this department has been accorded neither the scope nor the facility for thoroness in its particular line paid for long nights of anxious that would tend to even lay a thot, win or lose. It showed to good foundation in the training of victors and vanquished alike tostudents that should later make gether they had won a victory them good college debators.

In view of the above facts, it victory of arousing loyalty in Hendrum 42 to 8. is my opinion that only way we every member of either society.

We have held inter-collegiate debates during the past two years. It appears to me that we should hold another this year. In our debates of the past two years we have lost. It is my belief that in such a debate this year we should win. We have lost to Fargo College in debating and football, but beaten them in basketball. Can of speakers opposes another set, that highest contest of all,- the battle of logic!

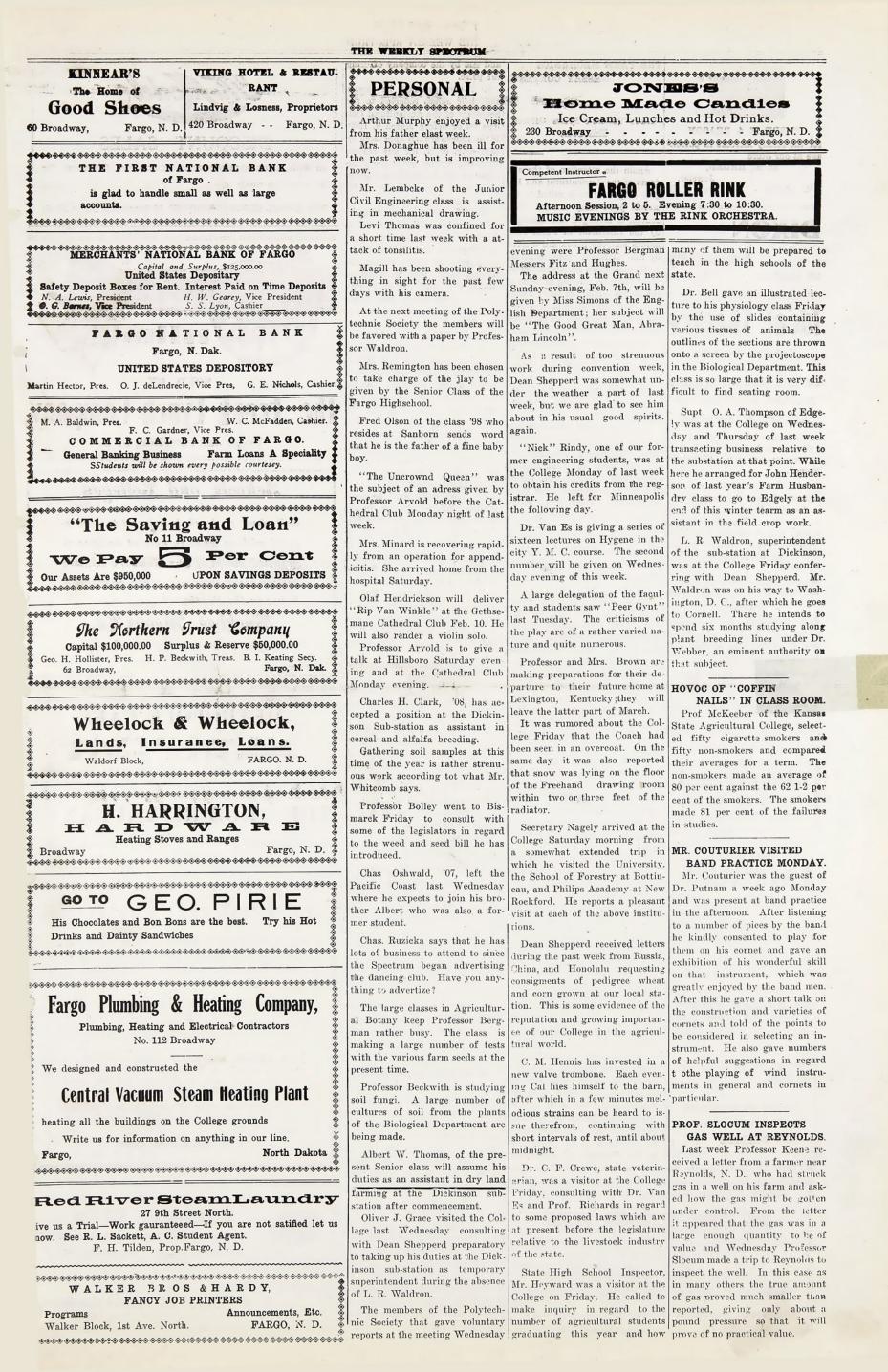
John Magill.

Professor Willard in class: When I turn this bottle up side down why does the water run. out?"

Bright Student: "Because there is a hole in it."

dear to every true student, - the week that the Aggies got beat at







ESSAY CONTESTS Three Valuable Prises Offered This Year.

Again the attention of the students of the Agricultural and Engineering Courses is called to the annual prize essay contest. This contest is arranged and managed by the Instructor in Farm Mechanics and the prizes are offered by the different manufacturing companies which are named below. This contest is proving to be on of the things which the short course and Farm Husbandry students are especially interested in as it not only affords them an opportunity of competing for the prizes but also gives them practice in writing in a practical way that is offered in no other way.

The following is a list of the prizes offered together with the rules governing the contest:

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RULES AND REGULATIONS 1. There shall be at least four competitors for each of the above

2. The competition shall be open to all students taking the four year course in agriculture, the short year course in agriculture, schedule A or B of the winter short course, and students in engineering are admitted to this con

No student who has competed for a prize last year shall be allowed to choose the same subject this year.

4. No student shall compete for more than two prizes. 5. No one having won two prizes in previous competition shall be allowed to compete.

6. Post-graduate students are barred from this contest. 7. A student wishing to compete for any of the prizes shail

hand his application to the Instructor of Farm Mechanics not later than February 24th, 1909. 8. In each competitive trial three judges shall be selected to award the prize, who shall not be officially connected with the Agricultural College in any capacity; said judges to be chosen as follows: One shall be chosen by the President of the College, one by the Professor of Agriculture,

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10. The jurors in awarding the prizes shall base their decision as follows: The thought of the essay as related to the subject discussed shall count eighty points. The literary merit and grammatical construction shall count twenty points. Each judge shall grade the essays, giving the one having the highest aggregate per cent first place and so on.

11. When these essays are received together with their grades the place number assigned each essay, by the different judges, shall be added, the smallest number in each case awarding the prize. In case of a tie the prize shall be awarded to the essay having the highest aggregate per cent This grading is to be done under the auspices of the Dean of the Agricultural Department.

12. Each essay shall be typewritten before placing in the hands of the judges, and five Juplicate (carbon) copies shall be made and placed in the case of the Secretary of the Agricultural College, one copy to be forwarded to each judge and one to the company offering the prize. The original copy of the prize essay in each contest shall become the property of the Agricultural Collage and shall be kept on file in the College Library.

13. No essay shall exceel 2,-000 words in length.

14. All essays shall be in the hands of the judges on or before March 23, 1909.

15. The prizes shall be awardd as soon as the returns from all of the judges have been received. 16. If any questions should arise which do not come under the above list of rules and regulations, they shall be submitted to the faculty of the North Dakota Agricultural College.

#### DR. PUTNAM TO DIRECT

NEWBAND AT GARDNER. A new band just being started at Gardner a few miles north of Fargo This band will be directed by Dector Putnam and although the members are nearly all beginners, "Doc" expects to put them into good shape in a short time. He will go to Gardner every Saturday afternoon and return the same evening. It is impossible to say just what instruments have been obtained or how many will take instruction till the band is organized.

#### OPEN SAT. AFTERNOONS.

Until further notice the Library will be kept open all Saturday instead of only in the morning as has hitherto been the custom. This will accomodate the many students who have no place to go Saturday afternoons but don't wish to stay in their rooms and also those who are busy at other work in the morning.

If the engineers are looking for a model engine to use in their studies, just visit the creamery. There is one over there.

Student's defination of Hades: It is the lower world where people go after death. The bad people have to work."

