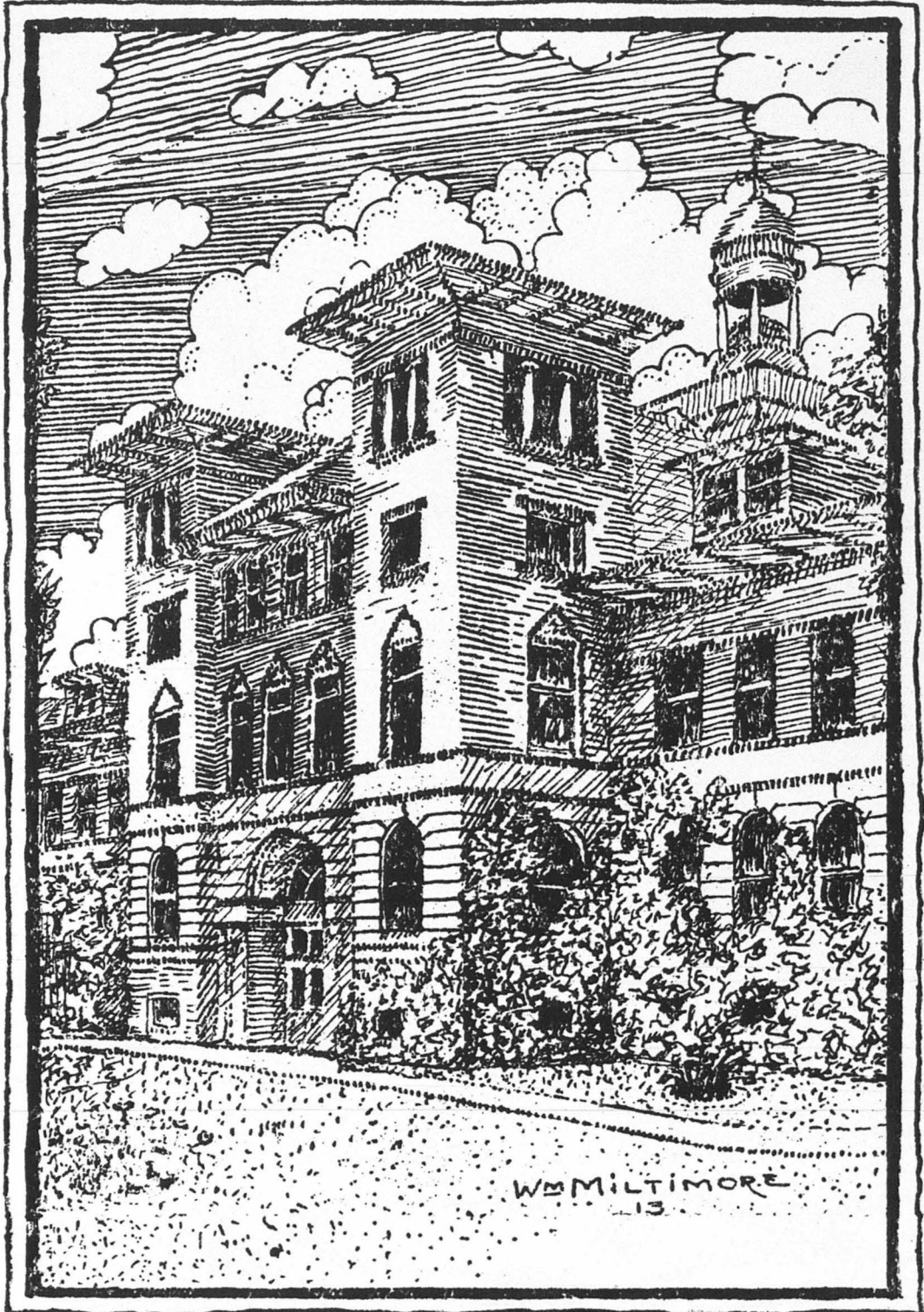


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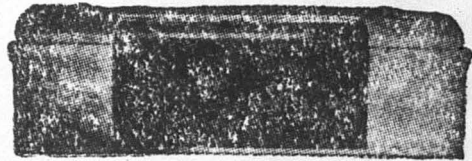
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## All Out--Girls' Basket Ball Championship Game--Tonight

The deciding game in the race for the Bischoff Cup will be played off tonight. During the past week much enthusiasm has been shown at the games. What we want is more enthusiasm. Lend your voice to the crowd, loosen up, and do away with some of that excessive energy. Most of all contribute your share of the material blessing—money. Tonight, the final game in deciding the Girls' Championship of the school will be played. The incentive in this game will be

the much desired trophy cup presented to the school by Dr. J. M. Bischoff. Much good ability has been displayed during the past week, and many have distinguished themselves as stars. Pick your star and come out and back her up. No doubt every girl on both teams will have a backer; let us hope many of them will. This tournament is one of the big events in school life and as such it should secure your patronage. Show your school loyalty and the loyalty for your star and come out tonight.

### Spring Training Begins.

Training for spring athletics has already started. Monday of this week an announcement was made to the effect that all men of the school should meet in Mr. Collins' room at 3:30. The purpose of this meeting was to decide what form athletics should take this spring. Some were in favor of base ball, others in favor of track work. A vote was taken and the final result was track athletics. Since this meeting Mr. Schneller has tackled every man in school and has asked him which form of the track work he intended entering. All seem very highly enthused over the prospect of a track team and if the present spirit prevails thruout the season, Stevens Point may have a track team to be proud of.

As yet Mr. Schneller has no dates scheduled with other schools, but he promises many good treats in the line of trips to all those who make the team. This is sure some inducement and a goal well worth attaining.

### Mr. Farmer's Work Completed.

Expert F. N. Farmer, who has completed his survey of the local school, left for Madison on Saturday. An exhaustive study was made of all the departments and carefully made records of conditions as found were compiled and taken with him to Madison. Not only were the material features studied, but the teachers and teaching done. Exact copies of the work written on the board by the teachers during the recitation as well as questions and answers used were made. Copies of outlines of topics presented in topical recitations by students were required.

### Past Events in Junior Class.

Junior class pictures for the Iris have been taken at the Angelo Studio and were very successful.

The annual Junior debate between Oshkosh and Stevens Point was held in our assembly room last Friday night. From the standpoint of a debate it was one of the best ever held in this school and everyone thoroughly appreciated it. The arguments set forth by each side were very good and were at no time off the question. The decision as rendered in favor of Oshkosh to the disappointment of the overly large crowd, who felt we should have had it. Following the debate a dance was given by the school orchestra to which all were invited. As the Oshkosh delegation left on the midnight train, Mr. Sims permitted the dancing to continue until twelve. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the crowd went home in a happy frame of mind.

### Domestic Science History.

An important event in the history of this organization was "Home Economics Day," at the Palace of Sweets.

The following program was rendered at the last meeting:

Piano Duett..... Mollie Olson, Esther Gill  
History of Bread..... Angela Matterson  
Kinds of Bread..... Grace Friez  
Vocal Solo..... Gertrude DeKolver  
Debate—"Resolved, That it is better to use home made bread than baker's bread."

## Attend Conference at Manawa.

Last week Pres. Sims and Profs. Culver, Herrick and Phelan were at Manawa over Friday and Saturday. These gentlemen appeared on the program of the Waupaca Country Life Conference and Teachers' Institute. Prof. Culver spoke on "Yellowstone Park," illustrated by lantern slides. Mr. Phelan spoke on the following subjects: "Opportunity of the Rural School Teacher," "Peasant vs. Farmer," "County and Township System," "Relations of the Rural School to the Rural Home." Mr. Herrick spoke on "Germination and Ear," "Row Test of Corn" and "Farm Weeds." President Sims addressed the meeting on "Progress in Rural Schools and the Culture that the Country School Gives." The conference lasted two days and was largely attended. The success of the undertaking is credited to the able management of County Supt. Roger Bigford, who is an alumnus of the Stevens Point Normal.

## On the Rostrum.

Since the departure of Mr. Sims, morning exercises have been conducted by Mr. Spindler. Monday the exercises were devoted to Miss Bronson and the girl representatives of the basket ball league. Each representative gave her little speech as to why everyone should attend the games. Following the speeches, a crowd of Junior girls gave their class yell.

Tuesday morning Mr. Patterson explained the features of the Oshkosh-Stevens Point debate and gave a very interesting talk. He had a pamphlet, issued by the University of Wisconsin, from which he read a few of the essential points to be considered when judging a debate. Forming an opinion as to what the decision should have been according to this pamphlet, we won.

## Senior Gatherings.

Teacher—"What was the origin of fences?"  
Betty—"Why, fences were made to keep out the Indians."

Miss Baker, in chorus—"Notice that the first time it is "glory," and the second time you take the 'ell out of it to make "gory."

A few on our friend Fairchild, in Senior classes:—

"Is there anyone who is not through with (t)his flame?"

Cleaning-up day in the lab.—"Too many cooks spoil the broth, I hope it's not the case

with the water, two people in each pan, please."

On Friday, March 20, 1914 (institute day) —"We will go through the building on a tour of inspection today, because people won't know whether you're a class or some of the visiting farmers." This is a case of lips touching lips.

Hourly schedule of exercise:—Ripley, on Wednesday, 7 to 1 p. m., sitting; 10 to 11 p. m., light exercise.

Allen—"All these things that people send over from other countries are bums (bombs)."

One puff of smoke contains 1,400,000 particles of dust. "Ain't it funny what a puff of smoke will do?"

## Forum-Athenaeum Doings.

Officers elected for the third quarter were as follows:

President—William Junck.  
Vice Pres.—Herbert Marsh.  
Secretary—Arthur Murphy.  
Treasurer—Lynn Grover.

Program held Feb. 27.

Roll Call—Responded to with a joke.  
Recitation.....Rial Cummings  
Declamation .....Earl Edes  
Letter .....Clarence Strand  
Impromptu debate.

Program held March 27.

Roll Call—Responded to with a joke.  
Piano Solo.....Leon Sanford  
Current Events.....Martin Reischl  
Debate.

## Faculty Notes.

Miss Wilson spent the week-end at her home in Wausau.

Miss Vail's mother is visiting her and expects to stay with her until Easter vacation.

Mr. Hyer was absent from school last week Thursday and Friday doing institute work. He also spent Tuesday in Madison.

Several members of the faculty have been asked to be officials during the girls' basket ball tournament. Miss Schroede is time-keeper, Miss Wilson and Mr. Fairchild will act as judges to pick out seven of the best players for the all-star school team.

Tuesday morning during exercises the rostrum was occupied by the lady members of the faculty. Their bright, smiling faces shot forth beams of good nature to such an extent that several boys who became afflicted shouted, "Votes for Women."

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## Personal Mentions.

Miss Mabel Carney, author of *Country Schools and Country Life*, was a visitor to the Rural School department and to the rural observation school at Custer last month. Miss Carney has charge of the Rural School department in the Normal at Normal, Illinois. While here she spoke briefly to the student body.

Ada Warner, who was graduated in February, has a position in Taylor county.

Gertrude Colburn substituted in a school near Custer for a week in February.

The pupils of the rural observation school at Custer are greatly enjoying the work in manual training under Mr. Junck of the Normal. Classes are held on Thursday and Friday of each week.

Supt. J. E. Roberts of the Stevens Point city schools was a visitor at the Custer rural observation school last month.

Prof. E. E. Robey, who has charge of the rural school department at Oshkosh, visited here a few days ago.

## April Fool.

The first of April is dedicated to fools only, and it would seem there are many of them. Serious minded people with either an abstract or concentrated mind are more often caught than any others. Viewing Normal from that standpoint one would come to the conclusion that both faculty and students are

afflicted that way. Several notices were read from the rostrum to the effect that the rural school and Treble Clef would meet at the same time in the same room. Nonsuspectingly the innocent participants of both organizations wandered into 215 and remained there for some time before they realized they were the butt of a joke. Judging from one of the notices Mr. Schneller's track team must have developed wonderfully, as they began running to Plover and back on April first. A notice to the effect that there would be a practice teachers' meeting at 3:30 also drew a considerable number of punctual students.

## Important Notice!

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## Senior Class Play---May 22nd.

The first rehearsal of the Senior Class Play entitled, "Lost — A Chaperon," took place Tuesday afternoon in the assembly room. The play selected by the committee

is well suited to the cast and several times during the rehearsal there were periods when acting was suspended until the laughter had subsided. The cast is as follows:

George Higgins, a Tuft's A. B.....	Clarence Strand
Jack Abott, Tuft's sub-freshman camping with Higgins.....	Worth Dafeo
Fred Lawton, Tuft's sub-freshman camping with Higgins.....	Wm. O'Connell
Raymond Fitzhewey, a Harvard student.....	Alf Anderson
Dick Norton, off hill engineer.....	Clay Crouse
Tom Crosby, off hill engineer.....	Albro Walters
Marjorie Tyndall, George's cousin, a Smith girl.....	Helen Klinke
Alice Bennett.....	Madge Crandall
Agnes Arabella Bates..... Jackson	Pearl Richards
Ruth French..... Girls	Jessie Burce
Blanche Westcott.....	Isla Stockly
Mrs. Higgins, George's mother, the chaperon.....	Clara Watson

### SYNOPSIS

Act I—The girl's camp at Sherwood, 7 a. m.

Act II—The Boys' camp at Sherwood, 8 a. m.

Act III—Same as Act I, 10:00 a. m.

Place—Shewood, Maine.

Time—Summer vacation.

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## On Inspection Tour.

President John F. Sims and Miss Bessie Allen left Sunday for a two weeks' tour of the middle west for the purpose of studying domestic science departments and dormitories. The information gained will be used in most effectually planning the new domestic science department which will be housed in the new wing to be added to the main building this summer.

## The Y. W. C. A.

The third quarter of the school year is nearly gone and we find it necessary to make plans for the coming season. We are thoughtfully considering every detail of our work in relation to the student life so that in the future we shall fully measure up to all that can reasonably be expected of us. After careful consideration, the following have been chosen to represent our official department:

President—Elizabeth Quinnell.

Vice President—Laura Cooper.

Secretary—Minnie Mienke.

Treasurer—Beulah Lawson.

Cor. Sec.—Esther Gill.

Chairmen—Social service, Eva Lind; social, Alice Chappel; missionary, Anna Johnson; bible, Olive Peck; devotional, Lydia Proehl; rooms, Alma Dupuis.

Pianist—Dorothy Kraus; asst., Eva Lind.

Miss Lucy Helen Pearson, our field secretary, has been with us the past few days to advance our interests. On Sunday afternoon she spoke to the association girls and Sunday evening she occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church. We look forward to her return in May, when we expect that her many plans will be more nearly perfected.

## Absentees.

Miss Shilling is out of school on account of sickness.

Harold Brady, who has been ill for some time, is gaining rapidly and will be with us in about two weeks. Harold has had quite a time of it and the school extends its best wishes and sympathy to him.

## Tribute to Senior D. S. Class 1913.

Domestic science class pays the board a second visit, furnishes a fine luncheon, which is highly appreciated by the members of the board as well as several other voters who happened to be voting at that time. An April fool's comments on the same:

Nineteen thirteen April one,  
Election day had just begun  
When Jack came in, his vote to horde,  
And find out how many were on the board.

So at half past ten by meetin' house time,

There came to the polls in Indian line,  
The domestic science teacher fine.  
And then alas, alas, alas,  
They marched in like suffragettes quite bold

And took possession of our stronghold.  
But their stay was short and very cool,  
So we all expected an April fool.  
Not a man dared to inspect the lunch,  
For fear of a laugh from the rest of the bunch.

But hunger soon forced us as a rule  
To investigate what came from the school.

We soon found that we were each an April fool,

So we all helped ourselves to coffee so clear,

And decided that April fool was nothing but fear.

So we drank, ate sandwiches and sass,  
And pledged our loyalty to the domestic class.

—3rd ward election officers.

## From Rural School Dept.

The third annual conference of the Portage county farmers, teachers and homemakers' was held at the Normal March 20th. In enthusiasm, attendance and excellence of program the conference for this year surpassed those of previous years. More than 300 people from all parts of the county were present and great interest manifested. The teachers who were present attended the lectures and spent part of the day observing in the training school. Several of the teachers brought exhibits of work done in their rural schools. These exhibits served to show what progressive teachers are doing throughout the county. The children, of whom there were about 150 present, were entertained in the Normal gymnasium by Mr. Schneller, who directed their games. In the afternoon Miss Cutright's first grade children danced for the visiting children. No feature of the day's program was more thoroughly enjoyed.