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The record of our basketball team during the season of 1917 is one of which we as a school are justly proud. It has been a season of great effort on the part of the team and of enthusiastic support from the school and townspeople.

The first game, played at Lawrence against the strong college team, resulted in an unbelievable victory for our boys. Encouraged by this piece of good luck, the team resolved to win the state championship.

The Oshkosh Normal team was an easy victim, as also were Stout and Eau Claire. The first game about which we entertained any doubts was played here against River Falls, but which again resulted in a victory for us. After another game with Stout, in which we won by a score of 36 to 17, the members of the school and those townspeople most interested resolved to bring some strong outside team here, to test the ability of our boys. As a result a game with St. John's Military Academy was scheduled. The visitors, however, who had come with exceedingly strong recommendations, were completely outclassed, the final score being 32 to 15. Eau Claire again met defeat at our hands, and now only one game remained between us and the championship. We were destined, however, to be bitterly disappointed, for on the evening of March 1, as we were all waiting anxiously for news from River Falls the word came that we had at last been de-

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feated by a score of 24 to 14. River Falls had determined to avenge their earlier defeat, and they succeeded. But we did not yet give up hope. It was necessary that the teams meet again for a final game. After many difficulties a game was arranged to be played at Stout Institute, Menomonie, on March 12. At the end of the first half the score stood 10 to 10. Pope, our center, was put out of the game because of personal fouls, within the first twelve minutes, and within the last few minutes of play several baskets were made by River Falls, bringing the final score up to 22 to 19 in their favor. Although now out of the running for the state championship, we still have faith in our team and believe that they are the better of the two.

The scores for all of the season's games were as follows:

Lawrence 15
Oshkosh 9
Lawrence 18
Stout 5
Eau Claire 18
River Falls 17
Stout 17
St. John's Acad. 15
Eau Claire 10
River Falls 24
River Falls 22

Total S. P. N.-356 Opponents-170

Superior forfeited two scheduled games to S. P. N.

### **Tribute to Basketball Players of 1917**

#### Joseph Pope.

Keep sweet, Keep sweet This is the only way; This is the way to win the day If you just keep sweet.

"Joe" Pope stands out, without a doubt, as the best center who ever represented this school. There are few centers anywhere who are his equal in jumping. He's big, fast and heady. Even in his playing he believes in hypnotism. No referee can call a foul on a man for paralyzing one's opponent's mental processes and so Pope keeps within the law, but by headlong charge and thundering voice he often succeeds in capturing the ball. S. P. N. will feel his loss next season.

#### Harry Hertz.

O. Harry, O Harry, our Harry so tall, Puts out his left hand and drops in the ball.

Harry Hertz, star forward, is o no lesser light. He is an allround man and can play all positions equally well. For alert, snappy playing he has no superior. His optimism makes him an excellent, and his good natured sportsman-like attitude, a worthy opponent. "Hey" from Hertz is a rallying shout which puts pep into the team and makes every man fight with added effort.

#### Charles Burns.

The force of his own merit makes his way.

Charlie Burns, another of last year's players, in his position as center, has acquired an enviable reputation for efficient guarding, and exceptionally clean playing. Any man playing against Burns has a hard time dropping the ball anywhere near the basket. A fast hard player, no referee ever calls a foul on him. He has displayed his ability in every game in which he has taken part.

#### Walter Stewart.

He hath in this action outdone his former deeds doubly.



"Stew" as left guard played with his usual supply of head work and speed.

Always on the job, quick and fast, with a grip of steel for the ball, he has earned the title and honor of all-state guard. With four years of experience in basketball, and of the finest calibre, the school looked to him to work up a winning team. He has not disappointed them. "Stew" will long remain in the memories of S. P. N. basketball fans as captain and leader of the 1917 squad.

#### Max Giedlinski.

Before each game he takes a nap so in making baskets there'll be no mishap.

Last year the S. P. N. team played a strong defensive game; this year the basketball squad put up a winning offensive game, and no one deserves to share the credit of the 1917 record more than Max, star forward. "Gid" came to us with a reputation. He was a star on the crack Ripon team last year and for two years was chosen for the allstate college team. He has upheld this reputation and his long shot fell true evey time. Quick and active, following the ball every minute of the game, scoring from every angle of the floor, Max has shown himself a man of action.

#### Leslie Shallberg.

He smiles a while, and while he smiles another smiles. Soon there are miles and miles of smiles.

"Shallie" being one of the veterans of last year's squad, the fans counted on him to efficiently fill his new place at guard. Although unaccustomed to playing guard, he soon showed his ability of adapting himself to a new position. A quiet player, but quick and alert, his eye is always on the ball, and no player has a keener eye for the basket. S. P. N. looks to him to keep up his present enviable record next year.

#### Erwin Smith.

He hath been used ever to conquer.

Although Schmitty's first year at Normal, he had already established a record here by his work with the Grand Rapids team last year at the High School Tournament, when he was chosen by the judges as the best center of the twelve schools represented. He far surpassed his former record by the way in which he filled the position of guard this year. He entered into the game like a whirlwind, fiery, fast and strong and no man ever gets away from him.

#### Winthrop Reynolds.

With surrity stronger than Archillis arm.

"Red," who played at Carroll last year and who comes to us with 4 years' basketball experience, filled the position of guard with that everlasting determination and grit which makes of him the player that he is. He deserves great credit for his work in backing up players of opposing teams. His quick passing in pinches, his ability to evade his opponents, and his power of sticking to his man, would be hard to beat.

### THE GAMES OF THE SEASON

#### Eau Claire Team Defeated.

On the evening of Jan. 26, the Stevens Point Normal quintet defeated the Eau

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Claire Normal five at the Normal gym in one of the most gruelling exhibitions ever staged here, resulting in a 57 to 18

defeat for the visitors.

Early in the first half the score stood 17 to 0 in favor of the Point, and the period ended with a score of 34 to 4. In the second half the visitors plainly endeavored to come back, succeeding in caging seven baskets, but Dame Fortune favored our team, who added 23 points.

The inter-Normal conference game was featured by the team work of the winners, and the spectacular scoring of the two forwards, Giedlinski and Hertz, they alone piling up a total of 45 points. The Eau Claire team fought to the last but was plainly outclassed, the S. P. N. team clearly having the edge on their opponents, although being somewhat handicapped by the absence of Capt. Stewart, who was unable to play because of a recent operation on his hand. As usual, the guards stuck to their men. Reynolds, Shallberg and Smith, all being put<sup>\*</sup> into the game. Pope and Burns ran true to form as centers.

#### The Same Old Story.

The superiority of our team was demonstrated for the fifth time this season when the aggregation representing Stout Institute of Menominee met defeat in the Normal gym Feb. 10, 36 to 17 in favor of S. P. N.

The game proved little less than a practice affair for Stevens Point, who were not compelled to exert themselves, for at the end of the first half the score stood 21 to 7 for Stewart's men. During the second half, the regular lineup was changed and several substitutes given a chance to display their ability.

Splendid team work was the feature of the contest, with Pope and Giedlinski playing a stellar game for the Point, while Kovach, guard, the shining light for Stout.

This is the second time Stout has lost to Stevens Point, the first game, played

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at Menominee, resulting in a score of 34 to 5 for S. P. N. This victory placed Corneal's men one notch higher in the race for the Northern Division championship and eliminated the Stout five.

#### Point Rips Up River Falls.

The Stevens Point basketball team played rings around the River Falls aggregation on Saturday evening, Feb. 3rd. The first half started rather dubiously for S. P. N., but our team played better after getting warmed up and the half ended with the score 16 to 12 in our favor. The River Falls uniformed rooters were quite an innovation and they rendered an interesting program of vells. The second half opened up with a rush. Stewart and Shallberg played a game as guards, the equal of which has rarely if ever been seen upon this or any other floor. Shallberg held his man scoreless and made two field goals himself. Stewart made five field goals, besides doing some star guarding. S. P. N. made 19 points to River Falls 5 in the second half. The final score was 35 to The locals lined up as follows: Ste-17. wart, g; Shallberg, g; Pope, c; Geidlinski, f; Hertz, f. River Falls lineup: Betzel, g; Thorpe, g; Eggebrecht, c; Peterson, f; Rice, f. The scores were made as follows: For S. P. N. Stewart 5. Hertz 4, Geidlinski 6, and 1 free throw. For River Falls, Betzel 3 field goals and 5 free throws, Thorp 2 and Eggebrecht 1.

#### S. P. N. Trounces St. John's Academy.

The effort to bring a strong outside team to meet the S. P. N. team culminated in a game with St. John's Military Academy of Delafield played Feb. 22nd. The St. John's team came here with a clean record of all victories for the season, but they were doomed to suffer their first defeat at the hands of the S. P. N. team. The local team played championship ball and fairly bewildered the Cadets. The final score of 32 to 15 is a fair comparison of the relative strength of the teams. The local lineup was as follows: Forwards, Hertz, Giedlinski and Burns; guards, Stewart, Shallberg and Reynolds; centers, Pope and Smith.

#### The Second River Falls Game.

Before a gym packed with River Falls rooters, with colors flying, a band playing, and with cheers resounding throughout, the Stevens Point Normal met their first defeat of the season.

Had the Pointers won this game, they would have been the undisputed champs of the northern division. As it was a third game had to be played.

The game was an exciting one from the first whistle to the final pistol shot from the timekeeper. Due to close guarding, neither team was able to score heavily the first half; the half ending in a score of 7 to 6 in favor of River Falls.

The last half started with a spurt from S. P. N. They tied the score and gained the lead in a few minutes of play. But River Falls was not to be denied and they again regained the lead. From then on the game was nip and tuck. Finally within 4 minutes of play River Falls gradually drew away from the locals and the game ended with the score of 24 to 14 in favor of River Falls.

The loss of the game may be accredited to the fact that River Falls were in the pink of condition, while the Point had slowed up. It was also due perhaps to a little over-confidence upon the team's part. It was certainly an offnight for us. It should not happen again, but we must not underate River Falls; they have a wonderful team.

#### Lose Deciding Game.

In one of the most evenly matched and bitterly contested basketball games ever played between Wisconsin Normal schools, the Stevens Point Normal quintet met defeat at Menomonie Monday night, March 12, at the hands of River Falls, the final score being 22 to 19. By their victory, River Falls is the winner of the northern division championship, the game deciding a previous tie between the two schools.

The first half was featured by brilliant team work on the part of Stevens Point, who scored four field baskets to their opponents two. The score stood a tie at the end of the half, River Falls making advances through successful free throws.

In the second half Corneal's men gained a lead of 15 to 10 but as the contest progressed the score was again tied and at the end of the game the count stood 22 to 19.

River Falls unquestionably won the game on free throws, registering in 8 out of 11 attempts while Stevens Point made three out of seven. The local teachers caged eight baskets to their opponents seven.

Pope, local center, was taken out of the game after twelve minutes of play and his place was taken by Smith, who played a strong game.

More than 1,000 persons witnessed the fight for the championship, including 200 persons from River Falls who went to Menomonie on an eight coach special train. The townspeople of Menomonie and the students of Stout Institute were solidly behind the Stevens Point aggregation and after the game the consensus of opinion in that city was that the best team met defeat. Throughout the entire game Capt. Stewart's men proved themselves the superior of their opponents and through their aggressive playing and splendid team work won

the hearty support of the Menomonie people.

The fact that Stevens Point lost the contest, when, in the second half, River Falls gained a lead for a short time, can only be attributed to hard luck and in words of Coach Corneal who briefly addressed the students of the Normal after his return from Menomonie, "If River Falls beat us a dozen times we would still have the best team in the state of Wisconsin." Following is the summary, lineup and score of the game:

Stevens Point—Hertz, Giedlinski, Reynolds, forwards; Pope, Smith, center; Shallberg, Stewart, guards.

River Falls—Rice, Peterson, guards; Eggebrecht, center; Eckler, Thorp, Betzel, forwards.

Score—First half, 10 to 10. Final, 22 to 19. Referee, Howard Buck, Wisconsin.

#### The High School Tournament

On March eighth, ninth and tenth there was held in the gymnasium the annual High school basketball tournament. Thirteen teams were entered and a total of thirteen games played. By a new ruling a team was eliminated after its first defeat.

The tournament opened Thursday afternoon with a parade of the teams that had succeeded in reaching Stevens Point. Three games ensued with the following results:

Waupaca 40—Ladysmith 33

Iola 15—New London 0

Merrill 14—Tomahawk 7

By Thursday evening all the teams had arrived and another parade was introduced to enable the judges to select the team presenting the best appearance. The scores for Thursday evening were as follows:

Grand Rapids 45—Rib Lake 9 Stevens Point 16—Wausau 12

Chevens I ont 10- Wausau

Stanley 20-Medford 16

On Friday evening the strong Grand Rapids team defeated the Ladysmith team by the score of 29 to 15. Stevens Point met defeat at the hands of the Stanley five with a score of 27 to 16. Marshfield won over Merrill 23 to 15 and Waupaca held over until Saturday morning when they succeeded in defeating Grand Rapids in one of the hardest fought games of the tournament, by a score of 13 to 11. The game between Stanley and Marshfield on Saturday morning resulted in a victory for Stanley 17 to 9.

By the rule for elimination after the first defeat only four teams remained to play Saturday night. A short game between the first and second Normal teams was followed by the game between Grand Rapids and Marshfield. The result gave Grand Rapids an easy third place. The score for the game was 34 to 12.

The championship game between Waupaca and Stanley was accompanied by intense excitement. The teams were evenly matched and kept the score to a tie until a few minutes before time was called, when a free throw for Waupaca brought it up to 11 to 10, where they succeeded in keeping it until the whistle blew.

After the game the prizes were awerded by President Sims. The Waupaca team won first place, and received a trophy shield and each member a gold watch fob. The members of the team winning second place were presented with silver fobs, and those of the team in third place received fobs of bronze. The committee had decided on the Ladysmith team as presenting the best

#### The Normal Tournament Winners.

The various sectional High school basketball tournaments which were conducted by the Wisconsin Normal schools on March 8, 9 and 10 have announced the following winners:

At Stevens Point, Waupaca; at Milwaukee, Waukesha; at Eau Claire, Eau Claire; at Platteville, Lancaster; at La Crosse, Galesville; at River Falls, Ellsworth; at Oshkosh, Oshkosh; at Menomonie, Menomonie; at Superior, Superior Central. appearance, their white sweaters with the pale blue letters, being notably neat and attractive. George Holman a guard on the Stevens Point team was awarded the individual cup for being the player of greatest value to his team.

#### All Star Five.

Dr. Lawrence Park, one of the best basketball players produced in Stevens Point, has selected an all-star five from the contestants in the tournament held here.

Dr. Park's selections follow:

Forward—P. Pope, Waupaca. Forward—Stark, Grand Rapids. Center—Plahmer, Grand Rapids. Guard—Holman, Stevens Point. Guard—M. O'Malley, Medford.

#### The Privilege of Seeing Girls' Tournament

Although the privilege of seeing the girls' tournament was confined to the girls and the faculty members, much rivalry and enthusiasm were manifested. The first set of games was played: H. S. vs. H. Ec's, score resulting in favor of H. Ec's 9 to 3; Grammar vs. Rurals, score resulting 12 to 15 in favor of the Rurals; Primary vs. Academic, score 34 to 2 in favor of Primary.

The next set of games was played between Academics and H. S., score 8 to 18 in favor of H. S.; Grammar vs. Primary, 10 to 15 Primary; Rural vs. H. Ec's, 5 to 7 H. Ec's.

The third set of games was played between Academics and Rurals, 0 to 23 in Rurals' favor; Grammar vs. H. Ec's, 7 to 9 H. Ec's; H. S. vs. Primary, 12 to 25 Primary.

The Rurals then played the Primary score 21 to 17 in favor of Primary.

Academics vs. H. Ec's, score 3 to 11 H. Ec's; H. S. vs. Grammar, 14 to 19 in favor of Grammar.

A large number of girls from each department reported for practice, the number totaling in all 143, from which number the following girls were chosen to represent the different teams:

H. S.—Wilhelm (capt), Gates, Schoonover, Nachtwey, Buswell.

Home Ec's—Lambert (capt), Walker, Koppa, Mason, Burns.

Grammar—Clement (capt), Riley, Carterson, Anderson, Horn, Blood.  $\frown$ 

Primary—Johnston (capt), Rothman, Hennessey, Brevad, La Hair.

Academic—Polebitske (capt), Somers, Cuchinger, Cartmill, Gibbons, Herman.

Rurals-Klentsch, Erickson, Malinowsky, Berberg, Blum, Welsh.

#### Girls Championship Games.

The Primary Basketball team won the Bischoff cup on Monday night, April 2. The Home Economics team were the runners up and they gave the Primaries a great battle. The result was a score of 19 to 9 in favor of the Primaries. The Rurals won 3rd honors by defeating the H. S. 36 to 6; the Grammars won 4th place by defeating the Academics 16 to 8. The H. S. were 5th while the Academics were last.

An all star team was picked and the tollowing players were deemed worthy for such a selection:

Misses Johnson, A. Mason, E. Burns, M. Hennessey, Erickson, Blome, Kleutch.



#### BASKETBALL NOTES

#### River Falls Wins Championship.

The River Falls Normal basketball team copped the big prize for the second consecutive time by defeating Whitewater in two games. The first game, which occurred at Whitewater, on Friday, March 19, resulted in the score of 38 to 13 in favor of River Falls.

The deciding game played on the following Monday, March 21, again resulted in a victory for River Falls. The final score was 39 to 13.

The River Falls basketball team is now the undisputed basketball champion of Wisconsin Normal schools.

#### Second Eau Claire Game.

Playing before a small but enthusiastic crowd of Eau Claire rooters, the Stevens Point Normal quintet defeated the Eau Claire team for the second time this season on Saturday night, Feb. 24.

The game was a rough one and the team from the north believed in playing the man rather than the ball. The final score of the game was 34 to 10 in favor of S. P. N.

#### The State Tournament.

The Normal state interscholastic basketball tournament held at Menomonie on March 22, 23 and 24 resulted in Eau Claire being victorious in the final by defeating Waukesha, who was unable to score from the field. Waupaca, the Stevens Point Normal representative, was defeated in the two games that it played. In the first game Galesville defeated Waupaca 26 to 16, due to the fact that the Waupaca boys were lost on the large Menomonie floor. In the second game Waupaca was pitted against the favorite, Menomonie, but lost out by one point, the score being 11 to 10. Waupaca's defeat was probably due to the loss of P. Pope to the team within 5 minutes of play during the second half. While at Menomonie they received the name of the "gamest bunch on the floor."

#### That River Falls Trip.

The team left on the 5:24 for Eau Claire. Just eleven boarded the train that evening, which was on January 28. Abe was there with his banjo, and when we all got seated, Banjo came out of his case. Oh, yes, Shallie had his ukulele, too-one of those instruments that you cannot hear, it is mostly eye music that you get. Well those two got tuned up when some one informed us that a newly hitched up couple was on the train. So we agreed to serenade them. We gathered around the two and, and twittered a few touching ballads, so touching that we could not touch the bridegroom, even for an iron man, "One Buck," or "one bone." We saw that the bride was getting peeved and near squalling so we left them in peace to swallow a few morsels of food back in the diner. After this every thing was quiet until we got into Eau Claire at 11 o'clock. Of course we made a grand rush for the hotel. Ever one had retired when a noise was heard below on the street. "Company right about face, March." Reynolds could not stay in bed after hearing anything concerning

a fight. He looked out and found 3 or 4 solitary pedestrians marching up the street. He looked within for amunition, and found some apples. "Did he hit anyone?" "Well he isn't an Irishman for nothing." "Company halt, right about face. We have received an attack from the rear." Company obeyed orders and marched back and demanded that we descend to their plane and fight it out. Hertz, who was in the next room, poked out his head and in deep Polish demanded what the row was about. We nearly hit him with a cake of soap. The army at last departed after a short consultation. Every one was calm and rest descended upon us-but not without a little serenade from Abe, the gent, and final taboo upon it by the coach.

In the middle of the night Shrimp woke up and half dreaming said, "Gosh, Louise, its cold in here."

The next morning when we were around the hotel Max tried to be the champion letter writer. I guess she received four leters all told.

The boys got to flirting with the wait resses, but it did not bother the girls, for the boys wore flannel shirts. One of the girls said to the coach, "Tell them to write when they get work."

At 2:20 we departed from Eau Claire and arrived in Hudson at 4:30. We etc supper and departed for River Falls. We found about ten telegrams awaiting us. I remember one read, "Bring home the bacon; we've got the eggs." (signed) Pete, Lovey and Elly.

Next Morning we started on our return journey, but some went to Minneapolis, while another went to Menomo nie for reasons untold. But I guess that special delivery letter had a great deal to do with it.

From Hudson (River Falls is only on a scoot line, you know, and it was good politics that a Normal was placed at River Falls), we decided to go to New Richmond to catch the Soo line. We pulled into that town just as our other train pulled out. Well Joe and Red decided to go to bed, while Abe, Johnson, Sap and Harry decided to leave for St. Paul and the Coach, Smith and Burns decided to ride the freight train to Chippewa Falls.

O, what a ride! and a touching little ditty met our first glance as we entered the caboose; "Don't know when we will get there, or how long we are going to stay, or when we are coming back." All we have to say is that Sherman was right.

The night train finally brought us back, with most of us just alive, and we can only quote Hogan, who is a true philosopher, when he says, "I refuse to go out for B. B., for one reason only. I might make the team and then I would have to go to River Falls."

#### Tournament Visitors, March 8, 9, 10.

Miss Grace Jones of Tomahawk was the guest of Miss Alva Fitzgerald.

Clarence Strand, principal of the Granton Schools, visited friends in the city while attending the tournament.

Miss Alice Bruce of Park Falls, a student at the Normal last year, and who visited school March 12, was the guest of Miss Nellie Gleason. Miss Irene Colvin of Marshfield, who was enrolled in the High School course last semester, visited friends.

William Murphy, '16, who teaches at Packwaukee, came up for the games.

Douglas McKenzie and F. Eisenbery of Stanley accompanied the Stanley High school team here.



Coach Geo. D. Corneal has received an invitation from the University of Pennsylvania track meet authorities to enter the local Normal relay team in the invitation relay race carnival to be held on Franklin Field, Philadelphia, during April 27 and 28. If a relay team was sent, it would have to contend against the following Normals, with a possible addition to the list: Millersville, West Chester, E. Strousberg, Mansfield, Shippensburg, Bloomsburg, Kutztown and Trenton.

This invitation meet is the greatest outdoor track meet attraction in the world outside of the Olympic games. It was started in 1895 and formerly only a one-day affair; recently it has become a two day carnival. The northern, southern, eastern and western universities and colleges send teams to represent their schools. Even Oxford, England, was represented in 1915.

At the last year's meet, the time made by the Normal class was 3:36, while the local Normal team ran 3:35 in an exhibition relay race during the High school interscholastic meet held here last May. The possible candidates for the track team are: Eagleburger, Ellis, Chalk, Bacher, Burns, Horne, Kelsey and Klug.

The expense of sending a relay team to this meet would necessarily amount to about \$300. Although a heavy expense, it would be the best sort of thing to do. Stevens Point will undoubtedly back us in an ambitious effort on our part, which would proclaim our progressive, forward looking spirit and show, through the cooperation of our fellow townsmen, that we are awake and backed by an active wide-awake community.

#### ODE TO MORNING.

- O! youthful morning come with tripping step
- With face aglow by wreathed smiles caressed,
- And with the lightest touch of thy soft hand.
- Be thou my guide through paths thou'rt wont to tread.
- Where air is filled with joyous songs of birds.
- Where rippling brooklets laugh dull care away,
- Where sweet-faced-flowers lift heads to nod and smile,
- A message kind to cheer thee on thy way.

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No jarring discord grates upon thy ear, For all is tuned to heavenly harmony.

- The barest twig and plainest up-turned stone
- Reveal some beauty to thy loving glance.
- Sun beams turn dew drops into diamonds
- When thou art near to direct their rays aright,
- And all the world is pure and good and true,
- In answer to thy gentle influence.



#### DRAMATICS.

On the evening of Feb. 9, the play Disraeli was staged in the Normal auditorium under the direction of Miss Eimer of the English department. The play is a standard one, written by Louis N. Parker. It deals with a political situation in England which was met successfully by Benjamin Disraeli through sheer strength of will.

The play was well handled by the cast selected. Every player showed that he felt that the best possible interpretation of his part, no matter how minor, was necessary to the success of the play. The general applause of an appreciative audience showed how well it was received

Every member of the cast feels that the time spent in practice was time practically spent, for besides the growth which must necessarily come from working in a play of this character, much was learned about the staging of plays even under adverse conditions. Miss Eimer's unassuming leadership, which secured cooperation on the part of the workers and inspired in them a love for their work, coupled with her ability to train the players and stage the production, were the big factors in the successful handling of the play.

Five characters were chosen from the "Disraeli" caste, to become members of the Dramatic club. The Dramatic club now is composed of about 18 members. Each member of the club was given a Dramatic pin. The design was selected by the members of the club. The pin is a small gold oblong design bearing the small letters "S. P. N." encircled by a large letter "D."

Along the line of debate our school is especially active at present. The Junior team have their work all in hand and have met the enemy.

The contestants chosen at the triangular preliminary have been grouped by members of the faculty into the following teams: Team to debate Superior at Superior—Charlotte Nachtwey, Gladys Blood, Mr. King, John Ambrose (alternate). Team to debate River Falls at Stevens Point—Wm. Gilson, Charles Nelson, Otto Bacher.

Team to debate Eau Claire at Stevens Point—P. Paulsen, Miss M. Geimer, Miss Winegartner.

The teams are busy at work, each team under the supervision of a faculty member. Mr. Watson will coach the Superior team, Mr. W. Smith the River Falls team and Mr. Swartz the Eau Claire team.

#### Junior Debate.

The Junior debating team, consisting of Tilden Moe, Ida Brevad and Henry Beglinger, plus Prof. M. M. Ames, defeated the team representing the Oshkosh Normal Junior team on Friday, March 30. The team was given the unanimous decision of the judges. Stevens Point has, with this last victory, won the last 3 debates contested between the two schools and have won them unanimously. During the past five years but one defeat has been meted out to the local Junior debating teams. The Juniors of the coming years have a standard to maintain.

#### State Oratorical Contest.

Whoever comes through the local oratorical contest as a winner has a long hard fight ahead of him to a place in the annual state contest of the nine Normal Schools. This is a big event in all the nine Normal Schools—an event that has been recurring for a sufficient number of years to give it an historic back-



ground. This background gives the contest a flavor not to be had in any other inter-Normal contest.

While the contest at River Falls this year was considerably hampered by the blizzard and the consequent failure of delegations to arrive, yet the accumulated spirit and interest from many years back came to the rescue and made the contest a success.

It came about, then, that our orator, Martin Paulsen, went into a real, lifesize contest at River Falls on the afternoon of March 17. The seven contestants were trained to the minute. Apparently not a stone had been left unturned in the effort of the various schools to put a winner into the contest. Every contestant deserved praise, either for the merit of his oration, or for the excellence of his delivery. As a whole, the contest averaged very well with the contests of the past.

The real fight for first honors was between Superior and Stevens Point. Joseph Duff, the winner, is one of the cleverest public speakers who has appeared in these contests. Handicapped by a poor speaking voice, he nevertheless drives home his points with a force which somehow carries conviction. His is the style of public address which needs encouragement in the schools. Paulsen was great. As usual he rose to the occasion, doing his work fully fifty per cent better than ever before. He had to, in order to win the place given him.

Second place is a victor's place in this contest, and has always been so considered.

### SOCIETIES

#### Ohiyesa.

Ohiyesa Ish - ka - uga ! Ohiyesa Ish - ka - uga ! Ohiyesa Ish - ka - uga !

A special meeting was called by Pres. Hattic Cone at which the following girls were elected officers of the society, for the second semester:

President-Maude Mathe.

Vice-President—Ida Brevad.

Secretary—Violet Hill.

Treasurer-Marie Zimmerli.

A regular meeting of the society was held February 16th. Several musical selections were given by the different members. Prof. Culver gave an instructive and interesting talk about the Indians and his experience with them. He gave us examples of words taken from the Chippewa Indian language and told us the meaning of these words in our own language.

Friday evening, March 2nd, the Ohiyesa members met for a social time. Various amusements took the place of the regular program, and refreshments were served.

> Chunk kena, chunk kena ! Chunk kena, chunk kena ! Negasacki Yak alacki, Hai - pi - dae - ti Hai - yak Hai - yak !

#### The Arena Society.

The Arena Society had charge of the Palace of Sweets on Saturday, March 10. The girls had planned specialties for the day, which included Arena pie, salad, and ice cream. Because of the High School Tournament, which ended Saturday, many strangers were in the city. Most of them helped the Arena girls by going to the Pal for either dinner or supper. All of the members of the society worked very faithfully and helped to make the enterprise a success. Twenty-six dollars were cleared. The greater part of this money will be used to pay the Iris bill.

À short business meeting was held on Wednesday, March 14, to select a delegate to represent Arena at the oratorical contest at River Falls. Charlotte Nachtwey, the president of the society, was unanimously chosen.

#### Y. W. C. A.

On Feb. 14th the society was favored with interesting talks by Miss Jones and Miss Silver of Lawrence college. Miss Jones spoke about the student volunteer Band, and Miss Silver brought a special message from that organization to the students of the Stevens Point Normal. We also enjoyed a solo given by Miss Dellzell at the meeting.

The girls are busy making wash cloths for the Red Cross Society. They take their knitting to meetings which are held on Saturday afternoons in the homes of various faculty members. To date they have been entertained by Mrs. E. T. Smith, Mrs. Culver, Mrs. Delzell, and Mrs. Collins. The girls from out of town thoroughly appreciate being entertained in the homes of these ladies.

At the regular meeting on March 1st six more girls were initiated.

#### Loyola.

The following officiers were elected for this semester:

President -Lorentz Martini.

Vice President—Eulalia Dougherty.

Secretary—Gladys Blood.

Treasurer-Mae Morrissey.

#### Forum-Athenaeum.

#### (Mock Trial.)

On the evening of February 27, the Normal school auditorium was filled to its capacity with people who witnessed the mock trial which was presented by the members of the Forum-Athenaeum Society. The plot of the trial was the prosecution of George A. Strom, Jr., who was charged with entering one of the games of the girls' basketball tournament. He was supposed to have been disguised as a young lady. This action was a violation of the rules and regulations of the tournament. The plot of the trial was written by several members of the society and the setting was furnished by Mr. T. H. Hanna. The jury returned a verdict of guilty. The entire performance was carried out as had been planned and it was greatly enjoyed by all. Considerable humor was prominent throughout the proceedings.

#### The Cast.

Judge Sobermug .....Charles Nelson Attorneys for prosecution, Gab and

> Guff..William Gilson, Henry Beglinger.

Defendant ...... George A. Strom, Jr. Attorneys for defense, Chatterbox

and Clattertrap..Thomas King and George Card.

Complaining witness, Miss Mary

- Swanson.....John Ambrose Other witnesses for prosecution, Dollie
- Doubledribble—Bernard Precourt; Gretchen Von Eagleburgersteiner —Stanley Glycinski.

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Witnesses for the defense, George Strom, Sr., (father of the defend-
Strom, Sr., (father of the defend-
ant)John Reitan
Hepseba Ilanfairsyllovrymskatoonstry-
chentudorkutskgogochski, (the de-
dendant's girl)Carl Nelson
SheriffSigrud Sigurdson
Clerk of CourtAdolph Neuwald
Jury— Foreman, Joe AhnsMartin Paulson
Governor of Armenia
Eldor Bergsbaken
Ting-a-ling-ling (Chinese laundry-
man)Palmer Simonson
Susie GadaboutFrank Dietrich
Andy Klug John Somers
Mike Rybicki (Model for fashion
plate)Newfrey Coch Shad CoyeHarold McLyman
Shad CoyeHarold McLyman
J. W. Dunegan (President First National Snow Bank)
National Snow Bank)
Leglie Heren (hellet deners)
Leslie Hogan (ballet dancer) 
Robert Honne (beauty parlor con-
ductor) Herbert Jenson
Robert Hoppe (beauty parlor con- ductor)
cold storage plant) .Hugh Leonard
T. H. Hanna (driver of Ford car)
Robert Hoppe
John F. Sims (grasper of Golden
opportunities)A. Peterson
Otto Christianson (First National
Ten Cent Store)
Bernice Carpenter (social secre-
tary of Ladies' Aid)
Frank Hyer (Commander in Chief
of Home Guard organized to
guard the Jackson Milling Co.
against German spies)
Frank Dejmek



### MUSIC

#### The Glee Club.

The glee club held a meeting on Wednesday, March 14, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing quarter. The officers elected were: Pres., Carl I. Neson; vice pres., Michael Rybicki; librarian, Lawrence Ostrum; director, E. J. Waterman; student leader, L. E. Shallberg. Arthur Held was chosen as delegate to represent the club at the oratorical contest held at River Falls.

#### Treble Clef.

The treble clef club, ably assisted by the orchestra, the boys quartette, and Miss Walsh gave a St. Patrick's program on Saturday evening, March 17. The program consisted of Irish airs and songs, readings and dances. The proceeds netted nearly \$30.00, which will go toward discharging the debt on the curtain in the auditorium.

### WHO'S WHO IN S. P. N.

#### "Mike" Rybicki.

#### ("Art for Art's Sake")

Mike is a sort of cubist symphony. Take him as you will—as a poet, a musician, a floral piece, or a human colorscheme—his super-artistic temperament manifests itself unmistakably. Rhythm and "harmony" are his watchwords. In the realms of poetry, "Mike '17," (as the world knows him) knows no rival. To be sure, he is not yet Poet Laureate, but what of it? He has attained a far greater height than that—He Is The Pointer's Official Song-Bird.

Mr. Rybicki possesses a most melodious tenor voice. It is whispered that in the privacy of his room, he takes a fiendish pleasure in torturing an unfortunate violin. But even when he is neither singing nor playing, he can be heard quite distinctly!

"Roses are red; violets are blue.

But almost any flower will do,

Just so I can get it my buttonhole through." However, on account of the war, or perhaps the high cost of orchids, our hero has recently abandoned this species of personal ornamentation.

It is said that Mike is a direct descendant of the rainbow. Accordingly, out of respect to his distinguished ancestor, he displays all the colors, shades, and tints at present known to the human race, on various parts of his somewhat picturesque costume. This can be done most conveniently by means of his neckties, shirts, and socks. He has a collection of these articles which is remarkable, to say the least. When he is arrayed in all his glory and splendor. words become futile to describe the effect. Magnificent! dazzling! gorgeous! are weak and wholly inadequate. Some idea may be gained, when it is remembered that, beside Mike, a bird of Paradise has the appearance of a poor little English sparrow.



#### For Value Received.

The girls basketball tournament this year was up to the standard from reports. The editor, along with his bachlor friends, being excluded from the game, is unable to give the tournament a write-up worthy of excellent work done by the girls under the instruction of the coaches, Miss Bronson and Miss Walsh.

We would advise the "open door" for boys of the school to these tournaments. The mistakes of the past on the part of the boys, if made by them, should be forgiven. Give the boys a chance and you will not be sorry for the "open door" policy for all athletic games, for which each student has given his two dollars.

Mr. King was and is in the right. He remarked in a speech before the student body, a short time ago that what we, as a school, need is "pep." We believe that "pep" is helped along by school yells and songs. The Pointer conducted a yell contest before Mr. King gave utterance to his opinion. The Pointer now submits the result it received in calling for new yells. We leave it to the student body whether you have had "pep" or not in joining a movement which should have had at least one response from every student in this school, The yells handed in to us are as follows:

> Rip a racker, Fire Cracker! Zip! Boom! Bah! Stevens Point Normal, Rah! Rah! Rah!

> > H. A. B.

Olie Olson, Yon Yonson, Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Dandy, Dandy, Jack a Spandy! S. P. N. is better than candy. Rah! Rah! Rah!

Can our teams play? Well, I should smile! We've got every team on earth Beat a mile.

Juniper! Juniper Junipera — — — Normal, Normal, Rah! Rah! Rah!





#### **Rural Department Notes.**

Miss Irene Colby has received the highest average standing of the students in the school. We are glad to say that she is a member of our department.



#### "Back to the Farm"

Miss Lenora Helgeland and Miss Marie Russell are acting as substitutes teaching in the rural districts.

Several groups of Rural Seniors have gone out to the observation school to observe Miss Roach.

#### Home Economics.

Don't let the High Cost of Living frighten you. The girls in the Home Economics Department can face you on fifteen cents a day. The class in dietetics II, has worked out some very sufficient and satisfactory menus at five cents per meal at present prices.

Would you be in perfect health? Study dietetics;

Would you by saving, amass wealth? Study dietetics;

Would you be fat,

Would you be lean,

Oh! would you be half way between? You're sure to strike the happy mean by studying dietetics.

#### Answers To Our Correspondents.

Marie Z: I am sorry that I can't tell you what to wear to make your height less apparent. This is a subject upon which authorities differ. Some advocate stripes running round and some advocate stripes running longitudinally. Until this controversey is settled I suggest that you wear plaids.

Heard in cooking demonstrations:

"Always keep a little Paramoecium cheese on hand."

"Cool Alics candy until it forms a soft ball in hard water."

Scene-North Cottage.

"Drowsy Waltzs" being played on the Victrola. Enter President Sims, listens a moment and says, "Hawaiian?"

Hazel Wickern, shyly, "Pretty well, thank you."

Miss Logren is conducting the millinery class which is held at the Continuation school twice a week. The attendance is very large.



#### Four Cottagers

Cookery teacher—"To what class of vegetables does corn belong?" Student—"To the ear."

### SCIENCE NOTES

#### Physics.

The class in physics 1 this year is larger than any previously enrolled. The fifty students made it necessary to section the class.

#### Geography.

The rural school people have been collecting material on cotton, rice, and lumber for their reports to be given in class.

The primary students have been making a collection of material on tea, coffee, cocoa, sugar cane, etc., to be used in stories to be written later.

Advanced geography class are finishing the discussion on Chile.

#### Biology.

Mr. Peabobdy, the state architect, was sent here to determine the truth of the report which was circulated that the Stevens Point Normal school was not in need of a new science hall. It was said that there was enough empty space in the basement to furnish the necessary room for the science department. Upon investigation, however, he found there is only 2,000 square feet of available space, and this was to be devoted to the Home Economics department as soon as it could be put into condition. He also stated that 30,000 square feet were necesary to house the science department. This will make a building larger than the new dormitory, which has a floor space of 23,000 square feet.

A class in field biology will be offered this quarter. It will consist mainly of review work, bird study and field work.

The class in histology covered a semester of college work last quarter. It consisted of mounting plant and animal tissue. One hundred slides were made by each member of the class.

The number of students taking biology this year:

1st quarter, 250; 2nd quarter, 232; 3rd quarter, 219; 4th quarter, about 250. This almost doubles the enrollment of last year, which was 500 students.





**Presidents of Our State Normal Schools** 



Back Row—Left to right. Messrs Royce, Platteville; Keith, Oshkosh; Crabtree, River Falls; Nelson, Stevens Point, regent; Yoder, Whitewater.

Miss Prudence Cutright and Prof. G. E. Culver were speakers at a Country Life Conference held at Manawa Feb. Lower Row—Left to right. Messrs. McCaskill, Superior; Scofield, Eau Claire; Sims, Stevens Point; Pearse, Milwaukee.

23 and 24. Miss Cutright gave an address on "Handwriting and Educational Measurements" and Mr. Culver on "The American Indian, "The Metric System" and "Analysis in Arithmetic."

In compliance with a petition circulated among the students and signed by a large percentage of them, Faculty day has been inaugurated, the plan being to have a member of the faculty address the student body each week. The first speaker, Prof. E. T. Smith, gave an instructive talk on the subject "Our Navy" on Feb. 26. Mr. Smith at one time served as a naval reserve, so, through actual experience, was able to cite many details which served to make his address an exceptionally interesting one. Prof. F. N. Spindler appeared before the assembly Friday, March 2, choosing for the subject of his address the description of a shrapnel shell sent to him by a friend connected with a large munition plant.

Prof. F. S. Hyer, principal of the Training School, conducted an institute at Medford, Feb. 16 and 17. Mr. Hyer also conducted a Marathon County Institute on Feb. 11, and on March 13 attended a state teachers' association meeting at Montevideo, Minn.. Mr. Hyer judged between Sparta and Chippewa Falls High schools in the latter city, March 16.

Miss Bertha Hussey attended a meeting of the Deans of Women of schools of Wisconsin held in Madison, March 9. On March 10, Miss Hussey represented the school at a meeting of the Central Association of Physical Culture.

Several Members of the faculty have "enjoyed" enforced vacations through illness, the number including the Misses Tupper, Adams, Eimer and Saunders and Profs. Watson and Fairchild.

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The following teachers acted as judg es in the triangular debates carried out in the district between the various high schools on Feb. 9: Miss Brewster, Prof. C. F. Watson and Prof. E. T. Smith at Marshfield; Miss Hussey, Prof. J. E. Delzell and Prof. D. A. Swartz at Grand Rapids; Prof. G. E. Culver and Prof. O. W. Neale at Manawa; Profs. Herrick and Rogers at Mauston and Prof. M. M. Ames at New London.

In the debate held at the local High school between that school and the Green Bay High, Prof. James E. Delzell presided. The judges, Profs. Swartz, Smith and Collins, rendered an unanimous decision in favor of the Stevens Point debaters.

Pres. John F. Sims delivered an address before the students of the Rice Lake High school and Barron County Training School at Rice Lake Feb. 16. In the afternoon of the same day he was invited to speak to the students of the High school and grades at Barron. He addressed the Men's Civic Organization of Barron in the evening.

Vice-Pres. F. N. Spindler, instructor of psychology and history of education, has completed the writing of a book on "Vision or the Story of Seeing," and the manuscript has already been sent to Dr. Geo. Dearborn, of Cambridge, Mass., who is the editor of a series of ten volumes on the senses, to be published by Moffat, Yard & Co. of New The book is written as a popu-York. lar work and is in ten chapters, containing 35,000 words, amply illustrated. We have no doubt that if Mr. Spindler has allowed his personality to influence his writing to any degree, his work will become as popular as its author.



#### St. Olaf's Concert Band.

St. Olaf's Band was a decided success here. Their program was classical, patriotic songs and Norwegian music predominating. Professor Christeanson showed his extraordinary ability and the entire evening was thoroughly enjoyed.

#### Gymnasium Demonstration.

A splendid demonstration of gym work was given under the direction of Miss Walsh and Miss Bronson. Floor work, games and dances were demonstrated, and the people present got an idea of what this work really means to the girls of the school.

#### Carl Nelson.

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(The one person in 650 who can play the school-song).

Miss Shelton, "Now, school, we'll sing the cheer-song. Everybody rise. Is Mr. Nelson in the audience? Oh! isn't he? Then we'll sing "Old Kentucky Home."

# Orchestra Dance.

The orchestra afforded the students a general good time at a dance, February 16. Dancing began about nine o'clock and "Home Sweet Home" was danced reluctantly about twelve.

#### Ole Theobaldi.

The oratorical association gave the people of Stevens Point an excellent opportunity for hearing something "really good" when they procured Ole Theobaldi, the famous Norwegian violinist. Theobaldi is a successor to Ole Bull, and uses the twenty-five thousand dollar violin which belonged to him. A large crowd enjoyed an evening of classic Norwegian music.

#### Professor Denis' Recital.

February 12, Professor Denis of Northwestern University gave a reading recital, entitled "The Heroic in Common Life." Among the selections most pleasing to the audience were Gads by Weddy, and several by James Whitcomb Riley.

At assembly period in the morning Prof. Denis talked to the students on his experiences in Europe last year.

Prof. E. J. Waterman has been instrumental in arousing considerable interest throughout the community in the birdhouse contest, in which the entire city and country contested, and which closed March 23. In an address before the student body, March 13, Mr. Waterman pointed out very clearly the value of the bird as a natural destroyer of undesirable insects, using figures to illustrate the value of the various birds.

In view of this fact, Prof. Waterman urged every student to participate in the contest which is to promote the nation wide idea of protecting the birds that are of real service to the people. Prizes for this contest have been donated by many interested citizens. Mr. Waterman conducted a successful contest of a like nature in Green Bay last year.

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Prof. R. W. Fairchild was the official referee in charge of all the games in the sectional basketball tournament held at Oshkosh, March 8, 9 and 10 in which ten high schools participated. Oshkosh won the sectional championship. Mr. Fairchild's schedlue as referee included the Ripon college-Oshkosh Normal game played at Oshkosh, Feb. 17, the Ripon-Lawrence game at Appleton, which resulted in a 24 to 10 defeat for Lawrence; Feb. 16, the return contest between Ripon and Lawrence played at Ripon on March 6 when the Lawrentians again lost; and on March 16 he referred the basketball game between Neenah and Menasha High schools. Owing to illness he was unable to officiate in the Marshfield-Grand Rapids contest at the former city, Feb. 23. His place was taken by coach Geo. D. Corneal.

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Miss Zenola Mac Laren presented the fifth number of the entertainment course, to a large audinece on the night of Mar. 14th. She gave a recital of George Broad Hurst's play, "Bought and Paid For." Owing to delayed trains, the entertainment did not begin till about nine o'clock, but the audience felt more than repaid by Miss Mac Laren's dramatic reading.

#### Diary.

Feb. 1—Loyola dress ball Feb. 2-S. P. N. 35, River Falls 17.

- Feb. 8—Pres. Sims gives a feed to the basketball boys.
- Feb. 9—"Disraeli" presented.
- Feb. 10-Reserves 31, Waupaca 20; S. P. N. 36, Stout 18.
- Feb. 12—Mr. Dennis tells of his experiences in Europe during general exercises, and gave a reading "The Heroic in Common Lives" in the evening.
- Feb. 19-Mass meeting; School debate tryout, 9 debators selected.
- Feb. 20-Theobaldi entertains the students with Norwegian music.
- Feb. 21—Weatherwax quartet. Feb. 22—Juniors 36, Seniors 8; S. P. N. 32, St. John's Military Academy 15.
- Feb. 24—S. P. N. 34, Eau Claire 10.
- Feb. 28-Basketball team leaves for River Falls.
- Mar. 1-S. P. N. receives first defeat of the season; score R. F. 24, S. P. N. 14.
- Mar. 5—Pres. Sims returns from a teachers' convention held at Kansas City.
- Mar. 8—100 good looking boys in town -reason: High school tournament starts.
- Mar. 9—Waupaca wins the right to represent the local district in the state contest, held at Menomonie.
- Mar. 12-Team is defeated for the second time by River Falls. Score 22 to 19.We are out of the race.
- Mar. 13-Miss Mac Laren gives a reading on "Bought and Paid For." Our standings are sent home.
- Mar. 17—Oratorical contest held at River Falls; school orator, Martin Paulsen, is awarded second place. Mr. Rybiski's election bet is kept, consequently Mike has his hair cut for the first time in 186 days.

Alf. E. Anderson, who is engaged as principal of the Boyceville High school, was in attendance at the River Falls-Stevens Point basketball game contested at Stout Institute, Menomonie, Mar. 12.

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#### Wanted.

- WANTED—Private spooning quarters, Wm. J. Gilson & Co.
- WANTED—Experienced housekeeper and cook. Messrs Waterman, Carver and Smith. (Home Ec. students, take notice.)
- WANTED—Information on how to increase my size. Myron Rand, P. S. Also any advice as to how to live economically. Advice: Eat raisins.
- WANTED—A private barber. Michael Rybicki.
- WANTED—A more abundant supply of excuse slips: Joseph Pope.
- WANTED—A good Glee Club. Prof. E. J. Waterman.
- WANTED—More students to use the west stairs. Prof Pott.
- WANTED—More time to spend at Professor Ames's residence, and would also prefer less disturbance while visiting there. Michael P. Tovey.
- WANTED—A large, red bandanna handkerchief. Mike Rybicki.
- WANTED—Another chance. Grand Rapids basketball five.
- WANTED—A chance to save money. L. Martini. (Note: Since the H. S. tournament Lorentz's funds have been low.)

#### -Definitions-

Grin—A slit extending from ear to ear. Gossip—Normal girls' pastime.

- Glee Club—A group of boys who are evidently unwell.
- Old Assembly—A place of refuge for all who loveth not the voice of admonition.
- The Irish—They do no harm.
- Father—Male relative used for financial aid.
- Small Brother—A source of valuable information for Pa and Ma on Monday morning.
- Study—We are unable to furnish a good definition.
- Flunk—A psychological condition produced by an examination.
- Giggle—A flapping condition of the diaphram indicating mirth.
- A. J.—"I burn the midnight oit." "We, wonder whose?"

Helen Hanan, European History— "In order to marry your brother's wife, one had to apply for a compensation from the Pope." (dispensation)

Miss Hussey—"Miss Kelly, are you independent?"

Miss Kelly—"I don't know; but I think my father thinks so."

#### Jokes.

Sample No. 13, told by Mr. Ames in American history:

When Pioneers first came to Wisconsin, Dogs were very numerous then. But cats were in very great demand, Scattered all over the land. For a cat they'd give five real dollars, Whether old or just in prime. Clearing his throat, Mr. Ames said, "I—Wish—I lived at that time."

Mr. E. T. Smith, History of Education —"Woman lost her vote in the transition from the Hunter to the Herdsman age."



In regard to S. P. N. girls, you may talk of perpetual fussers, or numerous old maids' grin, but bear in mind our friend Smithey, neither bother him.



A MEREMAN

Mr. Ames, in U. S. History—"Miss Sheldon, what makes the American Desert so dry?"

Miss Sheldon—"Lack of rain, I suppose."

L. Martini, to his Father.—"Say dad, can I have about 2 bucks?"

Father—"For what?"

L.—"Well, you see, it's like this, I bet and I can't pay the bet."

Mr. Spindler, in History of Education —''I struck a chord on the organ and I never could find it again,

So I went out of the church as mad as a setting hen."



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# ALUMNI

The S. P. N. Alumni of Madison held its annual reunion and banquet at the Presbyterian church on Feb. 14. Twenty-five alumni attended following a six o'clock dinner. The program took the unique form of the band wagon. The toastmaster called upon the guests to respond to its various component parts, bolts, box, springs and so forth.

Miss Anna Menaul answered to the toast "The Whip," Miss Collins to "The Hub" and Mr. Sims appropriately responded to "The Driver."

The election of officers was next taken up and the result was as follows:

President-E. M. Gilbert.

Vice President-Miss Helen Collins.

Secretary-Miss Pearl Drew.

Treasurer-Byron Thorp.

The Alumni association of the Stevens Point Normal is financially in splendid condition, according to the last report of the secretary and treasurer. For the past two years a surplus has remained in the treasury, which at present amounts to \$15. In 1915 a debt of \$30 was paid and in 1916 the association paid for a part of the Pray Memorial and also for the deficit of a reunion banquet held in Milwaukee. Plans are already being made for the 1917 banquet. A special program of entertainment will be arranged for the banquet.

The officers of the association are:

President-Miss Maud Brewster.

Vice President-Earl Moxon.

Sec.-Treas.—Alf E. Anderson.

An announcement of the 1917 banquet will appear in the next issue of the Pointer.

Following is the annual report of the Alumni association for 1916:

#### Receipts

Amount on hand from 1915....\$ 15.10 Amount taken in at 1916 banquet 114.00

Total\$129.10
Disbursements
Paid Miss Allen for banquet\$60.75
Mr. Corneal 1.75
Journal (printing) 6.25
Rosenow (chairs) 1.50
Mr. Ames (expenses) 1.35
Boston Furn. Co. (chairs) 1.25
Orchestra 8.00
Mr. Sims (Milwaukee banquet). 19.00
Mr. Ames (Bal. on Pray Mem.) 9.57
Total
Total receipts\$129.10
Total disbursements\$109.42

Balance Aug. 1st.....\$ 19.68 Alf E. Anderson Treasurer 1916 O. K. Aug. 21, '16 F. N. Spindler Auditor

#### S. P. N. Visitors

Kenneth Halverson, Minneapolis. Elsa Ringletaube, 1912, New York City.

Elizabeth Hatch, 1912, Westfield. Irma Ingram, 1916, Grand Rapids. Emil Hafsoos, 1916, Rosholt. Arthur Murphy, 1913, Marshfield. Irene Harriman, 1916, Brandon. Alvina Foxen, 1916, Brandon. Lillian Hephner, 1915, Grand Rapids. Hazel Sheldon, 1909, Rio. Alice Garvin, 1913, Rio. Eileen Bohan, 1916, Antigo. Lillian McDonald, 1916, Big Flat.

#### Heartfelt Sympathy.

The year that is swiftly passing has brought to S. P. N. its full quota of events, and as ever, pleasure and pain, joy and sorrow have gone hand in hand.

Not for years has so heavy a blow fallen in our midst as that which carried desolation into the home of Professor and Mrs. Spindler.

Like a bolt from the blue sky came the death of Nicholas Spindler, Jr., the bright and promising boy of three summers. Almost as swiftly came the summons for the little one, John Francis, not yet a year old, leaving the smitten parents stunned by the double blow and almost unable to realize the great calamity that had come upon them.

All that sympathetic friends could do was done to help in this hour of overwhelming grief. But words seem empty and we can only say that the heartfelt sympathy of students and faculty and of the whole community has been and is extended to our bereaved friends, together with the hope that time may bring healing to the crushed hearts, and that the ministrations of friends may drive away the deepest sorrow, and leave instead sweet memories of the bright young lives so soon gathered to the fold in the Better Land.

#### Contributed By A Freshman.

One day, while walking through the hall, I met a senior, slim and tall. Instead of saying, "Hello, Clare"

He simply nodded and resumed his "air."

A popular Junior chanced to pass, Hurrying onward to his class. The period had begun awhile before, Withcut noticing me, he slammed the door.

Later, I saw a Freshman. Who paused a moment at the assembly door;

He hailed me with a cheerful greeting; This was indeed, a joyful meeting.



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