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"DULCY" CHOSEN FOR SENIOR CLASS PLAY.

"Dulcy", a comedy in three acts by George S. Kaufman and Macer Connelly, has been chosen for the Senior class play. It is a modern play of married life, clever and diverting, and certain to prove successful in its presentation here.

The play will be coached by Professor L. M. Burroughs. Any Senior may try out for parts in the cast, which will include eight men and three women. The first tryout was held Tuesday evening. The cast will be selected from those who participated, and work will be commenced immediately. To facilitate the coaching and relieve rehearsals of the tedium of practising with unlearned lines, members of the public speaking class will have charge of the memory work of the play.

THE IRIS.

Many are wondering how the Iris is coming along; or if it is coming at all. To tell the truth, it is not coming; it is going; in fact, it is gone, to both printers and engravers. The staff has been working quietly this year with an express purpose in mind. We want to keep the book a kind of secret until it is ready to be distributed among students and faculty. You know, they say "Anticipation is greater than Realization". Well, you have a whole lot to anticipate. The standard of the book has been raised from the class of a large High School annual to that of a University publication. That is saying a whole lot but I am sure you will agree with me when you see your 1925 Iris. Putting the book in the University class has cost considerable, and for that reason the price this year will be Two Dollars and Seventy-five cents. We have more snap-shots and cartoons this year than any Iris previously published from this school. And here's a little tip from one who knows the situation: The number of books we can have is very limited. (you remember they were short last year and many students and faculty members were disappointed) so when the advance subscription sale opens, be sure you put in your subscription. Then the delivery of your Iris is guaranteed.

Carl Maslowski
(Editor)

And Seniors!

Remember to keep your receipts from your class dues. Those receipts must be turned in when your Iris is delivered to you. Without those receipts you get no Iris.

SCHOOLMASTER'S CLUB HERE FRIDAY.

Friday, April 17, in response to a circular letter sent out by President Sims, the superintendents, principals, supervising teachers, and county superintendents of the Wisconsin Valley met at the Stevens Point Normal for the final organization of a Schoolmaster's Club.

The formation of such a club, whose purpose is a better understanding between the school men of a district, was proposed by members of the S. P. N. faculty. Later in the year at the Teacher's Convention held here a preliminary organization was decided upon which will be put into permanent form at the meeting tomorrow.

Friday morning was spent in visits to classes in the Normal School. Dean Haggerty of the University of Minn. addressed the club in the afternoon and again in the evening. The committee also arranged for a banquet for the school men at the Whiting.

VOLLEY BALL TOURNAY ENDS.

Henry Kolka's Invincibles succeeded in capturing the coveted medals offered to the championship Volley ball team. An additional series of games between Goppa Anderson's "Has beens" and Kolka's aggregation was necessary as the original series ended in a tie. The Play off ended in a victory for team number three and made them the champions. The members of that team who received medals are: Henry Kolka, Virgil Herrick, Harry Monastersky, Summer Smith, Laurin Gordon, Maurice Blomley, Elton Davis, and Frank De Celle.

PUBLICITY CONCERT A SUCCESS.

A large and interested crowd was evidence Tuesday eve, April 21, that the efforts of the Publicity Committee in presenting a benefit concert were not in vain. As a result a substantial sum of over one hundred dollars will be used in furthering the Interests of S. P. N.

To dwell in detail as to the work of the contributing artists would be futile. We do but mention as to the excellence of Mrs. Watson's readings, Miss Hites work at the piano, the violin Solos of Mr. Bukolt, Mr. Knutzen's singing, the numbers by the Schumann trio, and the singing of the MacDowell quartet. Surely the program contained numbers of merit and interest to all.

It is planned to have a Publicity Committee entertainment at least once a year from now on. Next year's offering will perhaps be a faculty play. We anticipate it and in the mean time will boost for S. P. N.

MR. NEALE'S NEW BOOK.

Since Mr. Neale's coming to Stevens Point he has had classes in picture study almost continuously and his collection of two hundred masterpieces has been used as freely as though it was the property of the school. The hundreds and hundreds of students who have elected this course are proof of its popularity and many of them declare that it was in this class that they first discovered the joy which comes from the knowledge and appreciation of pictures.

For many years Mr. Neale's friends in the educational world have been urging him to publish a book which would help to bring this same appreciation of art to the children all over the country. Finally he consented and "Picture Study for the Grades" by Neale will soon be a reality and will be welcomed by teachers who have been searching for just the assistance this book is planned to give.

This volume will contain work on sixty-four pictures which are arranged in groups of sixteen each, adapted to the different classes in the common school, sixteen for the first and second, sixteen for the third and fourth and so on. The story of each picture is given, the biography of the artist, questions on the picture planned to help the teacher in her presentation, and suggestions for language lessons to follow. A print of each picture will be included and will be a great factor in the value of the book. The insertion of these pictures is to be done by hand so that a suitable paper for pictures may be used. The book will be bound in a most attractive and artistic cover.

It is hoped that the work will be completed and the book be on the market by the close of the present school year.

ART DEPARTMENT ACTIVE.

Anyone who wishes to know and be convinced as to the value of project teaching had better see the Art Room. Through the earnest efforts of the Art students under the able direction of Miss Carlsen, the walls have been retinted, statuary washed and polished, until that department's appearance is a credit to the institution. Not only were these people busy with that one room, but most of our dignified representatives in statuary about the building, given a thorough cleaning.

Another feature of the Art Department was the exhibit of toys made by the class in Industrial Handwork. This collection was viewed by many at S. P. N. as well as in the windows of the Gross & Jacobs Hardware store.

"THE HOLY CITY" PRESENTED APRIL 19th.

The MacDowell Club, with the assistance of the Civic Orchestra and about a dozen members of the Normal Choral Union, gave Gaul's oratorio, "The Holy City" on Sunday afternoon, April 19.

Despite weather which made travel unpleasant, the concert was given to a large and attentive audience, fully 600 people being present.

As a performance of inspiration and elevation this performance works a level of accomplishment which well repays the efforts of the Club, the Orchestra and Director. Seldom have voices and instruments risen to produce effects of greater beauty. The author of this work selected with care a text of unusual significance and set it to music of grandeur and appropriate tenderness. Soloists and chorists alike found the proper atmosphere of performance throughout the performance and this occasion will unquestionably stand as a valuable experience to performers and listeners alike.

Solo parts were taken by Mrs. Minnie Bibbe, soprano, an alumnae of S. P. N., Julia Van Fleeke, soprano, a student, Mr. Norman Knutzen, baritone, a member of the Normal faculty, Mr. A. J. Miller, tenor, an alumnus of S. P. N., Mr. Walter Jonas, tenor, Mesdames Higgs, Steiner and Nelson contraltos.

Mendelssohn's great masterpiece "Elijah" is being prepared and will be given by the MacDowell Club at its fall concert.

SWEATERS TO BE AWARDED.

For the first time at S. P. N. sweaters are to be awarded to those students participating in forensics. At a meeting of the Oratorical Committee it was definitely decided to award sweaters to those who have been actual contestants in these activities.

The alternates will be rewarded for their work by a medal suitably engraved.

Those receiving the sweaters, which will doubtless come within a week are:

Carrol Van Buskirk	Oratory
Laurin Gordon	Debate
Donald Vetter	Debate
Irving Gordon	Debate
Glen Dexter	Debate
Edward Jensen	Debate
Maurice Willett	Debate

The Alternatives who will receive the medals are:

Edward Cook and Lee Peterson. To avoid confusion with the athletic sweaters, these will be of white with a gold, English style S.

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PEP CLUB MEDAL.

The Pep Club would like to offer, a year from this June — 1926 — a medal to the young man and to the young lady who excel in school activities. The proposition was placed before the student body in the last issue of the Pointer but as yet has not received the attention due it. What is your opinion of such an award? Give it to an officer of the Pep Club or to a member of the Pointer staff.

ORGANIZATIONS.

Any one who compares the amount of organization news in this issue of the Pointer with that of the Booster issue will notice a deplorable decrease. When it was a case of advertising themselves, the clubs all came to the front with the write-ups of their meetings, purposes, and accomplishments. Now Pointer work has settled back into routine matters. Have the organizations forgotten that every paper published with an account of their work boosts them, and boosts the school? It is an expression of the school spirit so come, be promptly analyzed by Frank Martindale to support clubs, to see that meetings are held regularly and to attend these meetings. Let's see to it that our school activities continue even as Spring advances.

BULLETIN BOARDS.

Thinking back over the school year we can trace a gradual improvement in the orderly ways of S. P. N. people. First it was the students themselves who had to be impressed with the truth that a professionally minded person would have the school itself wear a business-like attitude. Loitering in the halls during classes, gathering for social converse in the Assembly room were not conducive to this, so slowly the students have given up these practices. With this amendment in their ways a decided improvement in the halls was brought about. It was no longer necessary for the janitors and school people to pass along the halls picking up scraps of paper. Thus the halls and floors have been kept neat. However the walls present a collection of more or less haphazard notices. Bulletins are posted in the most convenient places with no regard to permanent posting place. This condition could be remedied by having one large bulletin board for the student body and one for the faculty. Present notices would then conform to better arrangements, and information thus posted would be effective and sure of commanding attention. Order in the halls would reign supreme.

LOCALS.

Miss Rowe, matron of Nelson Hall, spent Wednesday, Apr. 15 in Neenah.

Donald Vetter judged an extemporary speaking contest in Irene Hart's 6th grade history class.

The marriage of Eleanor Nellar, an undergraduate of S. P. N. and E. J. Normington, a local man, took place at the home of Miss Nellar in Merrill last week.

The season is now opened. We have heard rumors connecting golden bells with several of our students. May we have your announcements?

Just because you take a bath in private, don't think the public can't tell whether you have had one.

Schuyler Wallace is managing an A. and P. store.

Miss Mansur, Assistant librarian has been confined to her home by illness.

COMING EVENTS.

April 24, Schoolmaster's Club.
April 27, Girls' Volley Ball.
April 30, Demonstration by Gym classes.
May 1, High School Oratorical Contest.
May 8, Program by Training School.
May 14, Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra.

ORGANIZATIONS.

Y. W. C. A.

At vesper services on Sunday, April 5, Estella Bock in a very pleasing manner told us the story of the last week of Christ's life.

On the Wednesday, April 8, Mr. Speegle gave us an inspiring Easter message dealing with Christ's last days on earth and bringing out the significance of His life and work.

The "Installation Supper", at which the old officers commit their charges and duties to the new cabinet members, took place Thursday, April 16, at the Parish House. After the delicious supper was served the service took place. Both the old and new officers marched into the room singing "Follow the Gleam". After Rev. Phipps offered a prayer Reverend Barnes gave his three reasons for consecration, which were: Fear, Duty, and Love. Then by means of a beautiful candle light service the old officers intrusted their duties to the new. After this their purpose was repeated and the service was closed with the benediction.

The new cabinet members are as follows:—

Mary Morgan, President.
Myrtle Johannes, Vice President.
Edna Thalheim, Publicity Chairman.
Janet Wills, Social Service.
Estella Bock, Bible Study Chairman.
Claire McClellan, Program Chairman.
Henrietta Timme, World Fellowship.
Irene Hart, Undergraduate Representative.
Freda Lobek, Social Chairman.
Irma Pierce, Secretary.
Marian Hardacker, Treasurer.

LOYOLA.

At the last meeting of the Loyola Club, Thursday evening, April 16, the members planned a trip to Polonia, Sunday, April 26. Any member who wishes to make this trip should sign up this week with either Miss Roach, or Miss Hanna, who have kindly offered to solicit the cars of their friends for transportation. The beautiful rural church of Polonia, and the orphanage in connection with it have always been objects of interest. Don't leave S. P. N. without having visited there.

RURAL LIFE CLUB.

The following program was given at the last meeting of the Rural Life Club, held April 6:
Song By Club.
Talk on the picture "The Aurora", by Mr. Neale.
Song By Club.

Talk by Miss Duhl.
Talk, and story, "Things to do for little folks at Easter", by Bertha Herman.
Song By Club.
Story "The Forgetful Easter Rabbit." Margaret Glynn.
Piano Solos Miss Scharfe.

Cy and Gilman don't think the people in Stevens Point are very appreciative, as there was no one out to welcome them when they came home. When they arrived in Chicago, there was a special committee at the depot to welcome them to the Windy City. There's nothing like popularity.

Mr. Neale conducted a picture exhibit at the High School last week. The proceeds will go toward the purchasing of pictures for the city schools.

MARGARET ASHMUN.

The Margaret Ashmun Club met Wednesday evening in the recreation room at Nelson Hall. The program was given under the direction of the librarians. "Old English" was reviewed by Jane Syms, and "Sun-Up", a play typical of the movement for American folk drama, was reviewed by Caroline Boles. An informal reading of the one-act play, "Where but in America", by Marian Brazeau, Mary Gustin and Donald Vetter concluded the program. Apple tarts and coffee were served.

The club plans to initiate new members at their meeting next month.

THE ROUND TABLE.

The Grammar basket ball girls were given a party in the recreation room at Nelson hall. There was music, dancing, and refreshments to furnish a good time. Mr. Watson, their director, chaperoned, and Fritz Vaughn and Valerian Weisner, the coaches of the team were present. During a short business meeting Irma Hietzel of the Intermediate department, was chosen captain for the season of 1925-26. Everyone reported a much enjoyed evening.

A large number of the people in the Grammar department have applied for positions, in fact ninety per cent are applicants. In a short time most of the people, in this department, will have received contracts. Those who have already signed their contracts are:

Dorothy Carlson, who will act as assistant high school principal at Johnson Creek.

Alma Chapman, principal of the state graded school at Phelps.
Blanche Price will teach in the fifth and sixth grades at Rio, Wisconsin.

Louise Argue will teach the seventh and eighth grades at Hilbert, Wis.

Virgil Herrick has the position as principal of the Washington Junior High School, Berlin, Wisconsin.

Many principals have been here to interview students of the grammar and high school departments. They are: Superintendents V. L. Beags of Oak Park, Illinois; Arthur K. Vincent, of Wauworth, Wisconsin; Davies of Shawano; C. D. Lambertine of Berlin; J. F. Wadell of Antigo; P. M. Vincent of Stevens Point; C. F. Hulten of Marinette; Sigurd Sigurdson of Orfordville; H. J. Powl of Brooklin and Principal Smith Davis of Spencer.

HOME EC. NOTES.

Thursday, April 23, at 7:00 P. M., Mr. Peickert is going to demonstrate the cutting of meats to the Home Economics girls. He will cut up a side of beef, a side of veal, also any others we desire. If any of the girls have questions to ask, it will be advisable to get them ready now.

Thin soup never made any one fat.

Gladys Flannigan and Louise Kaiser's 8th grade Lincoln school classes both served a dinner this week. Guests were Miss Meston and Irene Haan. Lucille Lamb's class gave a luncheon. Great interest is shown by the classes in the serving of these meals.

Doesn't a baked potato taste, smell, feel, do good? Oh Boy!

Miss Allen was the guest of the Wisconsin Valley Electric Company Thursday, April 16, at Milwaukee, where she attended the meeting of the Wisconsin Utility Association.

Cry over spilled milk.

The ensemble suits made by the Third year students are a great success. If any one desires to see them ask the Misses Lawrie, Fryman, Stoddard and Gehl, owners of the suits.

Those holes in your bread are for butter.

Several of the Home Economics alumnae were home for the Easter recess — Ethel Blake, Verna Crocker, Gladys Young, and Lucille Flannigan.

When you're hungry between meals eat a glass of water.

Miss Church spent her Easter vacation at her home in Wauworth, Miss Wilson in Chicago, and Miss Allen and Miss Meston in Stevens Point.

Put an egg in your nest every day.

Mildred Novatny substituted two days of last week for Miss Anderson at the High School.

The first course of every meal should be served in a wash bowl.

Two beautiful costumes have been given to the Home Economics Department by Eleanor Withee. As far as we know they were worn by her great grandmother during or before the period of the Civil War. The Department greatly appreciates this gift, and they will be worn by some of the students at a coming style show. Watch for date.

Thursday, Apr. 30 the girls of the Physical Training Department are giving a demonstration of the work done by them in their regular classes. This is to acquaint the rest of the student body, and any others who wish to come, with the type of work the girls are doing. Gymnastics, marching, games, dancing, and stunts will be the contents of the program. This will be given in the gymnasium as an Assembly program. Any one interested is cordially invited to come.

Tennis fans who use the Nelson Hall court have no doubt noticed the markings have become indistinct. To improve the court the lines must be painted on properly and according to scientific directions. Miss Rowe and Miss Foster would be willing to supervise the work if some players will volunteer to apply the paint. (The editor thinks Nelson Hall should be able to supply competent candidates.) Who will do this for a better game?

Mercedes Glass of Neilsville and Ruth Tiffany of Tomahawk enrolled in S. P. N. for the last quarters work.

Myron Finch, a graduate of '24 teaching at Waterloo, plans to travel west in the little old Ford again this summer. Earl Mace will desert Grassmans pie house for several weeks to accompany him.

Ella Gallagher, speaking of the reforms of Peter the Great: Peter the Great made the people change their manner of dress. The reforms failed because he made the people change things that were too close to them.

If the good die young a lot of old people ought to be temporarily embarrassed.

Amel — How came the governor to get wise to your drinking, somebody give them the low down?

Booby W. — Naw! Cross word puzzles! We were doing one on liquor and I knew too many words.

Ruby T. — I went straight home on the smack of your kiss.

Gladys — Yes, I'm in the habit of sending people home that way.

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OUR INQUIRING REPORTER.

How has the Spring Fever affected you? (This question was asked exclusively of English 19 people, but we wish to state that there are no insinuations because of it.)

Ho-hum. Yes perceptibly. Even the admonitions of deans and presidents however earnest they or I might be, only drug my ambition and splash oil around my frail bark upon "the heaving sea of life". Hot weather is great food for the inferiority complex, but after it is over, everything is better off, and so will I be. Fight that losing fight with the fever.

Carol VanBuskirk.

If there's a time when alibis are needed I'd like to know it, because Spring has me hard put to find explanations for not working. Evening I sit up in my room listening to those serenades that float up to us from the "spring feverish" males, and I wish that all the sentiment they are broadcasting would only take me from this prosaic world. When Nature awakes we mortals take a nap, and the result is—alibis.

Borghild Odegard.

Yes, it has affected me considerably — wherever I turn someone says: "Oh, don't do that — it's too nice today". This is the time when we like to sit back and gloat over what we have done in the past and feel that we can afford to sit idle for awhile. Can we as students of S. P. N. look back upon this last school year and feel that we have accomplished something worthwhile?

"Betty" Collins.

Yes, I have more energy than ever. I do twice as much work. My recreation lately has consisted on writing a unit outline. I spend every evening writing lesson plans and studying about Aristotle and Socrates.

Richard Gunning.

Spring has beyond a doubt made me uncomfortably warm, drowsy, and dreamy. But — there is so much to be done between now and June 8, and the clock hasn't stopped yet, that I feel the best antidote for this spring malady is to fill each day with a certain amount to do, and do it. Really, one is more comfortable DOING something. It is "fooling around" that stops your pep; not work.

Irene Hite.

THE POET'S CORNER.

A mincing maiden, Dorothy Bess,
Went out one day in a brand new dress;
Her heart was light, her head held high,
For: "They will surely look when I pass by".

Then just ahead of her, in the way
She saw where a rippling puddle lay;
She saw it plainly and then afar
She heard the "honk" of a motor car.

There was something that whispered low to her:
"Wait where you are and do not stir!"
But in her mind was her spick span dress,
And toward the puddle went Dorothy Bess.

She reached the puddle, her head held high,
And as the car went whizzing by —
The things that happened I'll let you guess,
But Oh! what a sight was that spick — span dress.

Hazel Larson.

As I was walking down the street one day
A kindly friend stepped up to me to say,
"S. P.'s the greatest normal in this state
At least that's what I've heard at any rate."

Activities, all kinds it does not lack
The students have the grit and pep full packed
And after everything is said and done,
We know that S. P. N.'s "the only one".

Across the hills and plains from sea to sea
Our hearts, ourselves, our all we give to thee
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Myrtle Johannes.

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