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NORMAL LOSES FIRST GAME

Eau Claire defeats S. P. N.

Stevens Point Normal lost its first conference game last Saturday evening to Eau Claire Normal by the score of 27-20. The score at the end of the half was 14 all. It was a fast game featured by clever passing and thrilling moments. Eau Claire had a heavier and a larger team but not any faster than the Point. Swetland used seven players. The starting line up was:

Eau Claire	Stevens Point
Olson, r. f.	Hausen, l. f.
Hoehn, l. f.	Boone, r. f.
Hawkinson, c.	Zager, c.
Larson, r. g.	Vaughn, l. g.
Dahl, l. g.	Craney, r. g.

SENIOR FROLIC

The first Annual Senior frolic in History — but my, Oh my! what pleasant History. What enjoyment — what music — what entertainment. The music was furnished by Jacob's Orchestra; the entertainment was shared by two performers, Miss Jeanette Marshall who did a novelty Chinese dance and Arnold Malmquist, our school dancer, who did several specialty dances. The Senior Class is very lucky to have two such numbers on their Program.

Although the crowd was rather small, the Frolic was a success and everybody enjoyed themselves to the utmost. A unique feature of the evening was the variety of the dance program, which proved to be a great mixer. The Class had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Herriek, Mr. and Mrs. Pierce, and Miss Foster, members of the faculty.

School Life

More Collegiate.

A large amount of credit is due to the senior class, as the Annual Frolic tends to make S. P. N. life more like collegiate life. And our opinion is that this will attract more students to this institution of learning. Why should they go to larger colleges when they can get the same thing here?

ANDREWS CHOSEN SCHOOL ORATOR

Lloyd Andrews, Shawano with his oration, "Western Civilization" won first place in the final contest held in the Auditorium Jan. 14. Mr. Andrews will represent S. P. N. at the State Contest at River Falls next month. Robert Dessureau with his oration "The Passion for Peace" was second. Miss Welch, Messrs. Rogers, Knutzen acted as judges. Our best wishes to you Lloyd, in the coming contest.

BOOST FOR MADRI GRAS

PEP CLUB DE-SERVES MENTION

At the beginning of the New Year we think that it is a good time to give credit to the pep-piest organization in school — The Pep Club.

So we present a list of some of the things which the Pep Club has done in the past year for the betterment of S. P. N.

PEP CLUB — THINGS DONE:

1. Took charge of Homecoming — Oct. 17, 1924.
2. Took charge of Homecoming — Oct. 31 — 1925.
3. Helped send a bus load of rooters to Eau Claire for S. P. N. — Eau Claire foot-ball game 1925. \$30.00 contributed by club.
4. Contributed \$5 to Culver Memorial Fund.
5. Took charge of all athletic assemblies.
6. Took charge of all between halves stunts.
7. Sponsored all activities undertaken by S. P. N.
8. Sponsored a Christmas Festival under direction of Miss G. Foster, Dec. 1925.
9. Social Activities — Matinee Dance. Two invitation dances club parties and picnics.
11. Reunion Pep Club Luncheon, Nelson Hall, Oct. 1925 — Sat. noon of Homecoming.
12. Sponsored the Band.
13. Sent telegrams to all out of town contests.
14. Sent flowers or candy to any sick member or team or club.

HERRICK AND NEALE TALK TO RURALS

The Rural Life Club held a combination business and social meeting last Monday night.

Robert Dessureau, the president of the club, presided over the business meeting. Irl Thurbur, the chairman of the entertainment committee, took charge of the social program. It consisted of the following talks and songs: "The Rural Junior High School," A. J. Herriek; "New Years Resolutions," O. W. Neale; Vocal solo, Walter Jonas; Vocal selections, Rural Life Male Quartette; Community singing, The Club.

Alice Miller, Doris Bound, and Myrtle Johnson are the student teachers at Arnot this week.

LEAD IN ATHLETICS

Out of the six girls who were awarded pins for leadership in girls' Athletics five of them were members of our department.

Arvilla Franz, Florence Betlach, and Mary Morgan were given gold pins and Mabel Lipke and Gretchen Kelly bronze ones.

The Forum extends congratulations to them!

MRS. MARY D. BRADFORD ADDRESSES STUDENTS

"American influences abroad" was the topic upon which Mrs. Mary D. Bradford, former teacher here, spoke to Normal students on Monday morning. Mrs. Bradford who spent about nine months of last year on a trip around the world, told of her observations of true Americanism in cities of Cuba, the Panama Canal Zone, Hawaii, Japan, the Philippines, India, Egypt, France and England.

"Two conditions which the American government tries to improve in any of her new territories are health and educational facilities," said Mrs. Bradford. She continued, "The effect of American systems of education is very evident in those countries where America has entered. She also said that the friendliness, which this aid cannot help but instill in the hearts of the whole world, can do more than any peace conference or treaty ever instituted.

Mrs. Bradford who has been for the last number of years superintendent of schools at Kenosha, was formerly the head of the training school of Stevens Point Normal. She came here as a member of the first faculty of the school in September 1894.

In 1920 the S. P. N. Junior High school was named for her.

On Monday afternoon she spoke to the teachers of the city of her experiences at the World's educational Conference at Edinburgh last summer. "The Stars and Stripes Around the World" was the subject of her public address given at the Normal on Tuesday evening.

ATHLETICS

All-northern-Normal.

Here is a team that meets with our approval. It was published in the Spectator.

First Team.

End — Rade macher, River Falls.
Tackle — Olson, Stout.
Guard — Skull, Stout.
Center — Hawkinson, Eau Claire.
Guard — Atkinson, Stevens Point.
Tackle — Ingli, River Falls.
End — Camp, Superior.
Quarterback — Olson, Eau Claire.
Halfback — Quandt, River Falls.
Halfback — Lieske, Eau Claire.
Fullback — Anderson, Stout.

Second Team.

Ends — Horan, E. C., Heggen, R. F.
Tackles — Weber, R. F., Gunderson, Stout, Weaver, S. P.
Guards — Larson E. C., St. John, Superior.
Center — Moeller, Stout.
Quarter — Dawnsen, R. F.
Halves — Vaughn, S. P., Nelson, R. F.
Full — Dahl, E. C.

IT'S COMING

DEBATING WORK UNDER WAY

"Resolved, that Congress should be empowered by federal amendment to regulate the employment of all persons under eighteen (18) years of age."

That will be the question for debate this year. That will be the question over which Ed Jensen and Don Vetter and their respective teams will wrangle and rebut. They are already delving into statistics and reports that, in point of age, make Methusalem vie with envy. They are getting down to rock bottom.

The first elimination debate was held Wednesday night January 6th. Tentative sides had been appointed by Mr. Burroughs before the holidays, so Don Vetter, captain of the Affirmative, and Ed Jensen, captain of the negative, piloted their men into battle on this night. The result was that two teams were chosen to carry the work until the next elimination contest. Those chosen for the Affirmative team are: Don Vetter of Stevens Point, Wm. Graunke of Wausau, Eugene Taege of Wausau, and Leonard Sprague and Irving Gordon of Stevens Point; the Negative team: Ed Jensen of Waupaca, Arnold Malmquist of Racine, Anita Baum of Colby, Allen McVey of Withee, and Bob Dessureau of Antigo.

The Affirmative team will engage Oshkosh at Stevens Point, and the Negative team will engage La Crosse at La Crosse. There will be, however, several preliminary debates before that time.

DECIDE FOR INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

After a brief discussion as to whether a group picture was preferred to individual pictures the motion was stated and seconded that we have individual Junior pictures for the Iris.

PROM DISCUSSED AT JUNIOR MEETING

The Juniors held a meeting at 1 o'clock last Tuesday where the possibility of sponsoring a Prom was considered. Those who were present were asked to give their opinion on the matter. The consensus of opinion was unanimously in favor of this entertainment. Realizing the necessity of interviewing the necessary authorities a motion was made that a committee be appointed by the president to appear before the proper authorities and gain their consent to hold such a school function before anything definite be decided as to when it should be held. The motion was carried unanimously.

NEPCOS DEFEAT S. P. N. 30 TO 29

The game was a very interesting one from the starting whistle to the finishing gun. S. P. N. being defeated in the last minute of play when the Nepecos caged a free throw. The game was very fast throughout the entire game, but however both teams have much room for improvement, but as it was a pre-season game, polished teams would hardly be expected.

First Quarter.

Boone started the scoring a few minutes after the tip-off. The Nepecos followed by dropping four baskets. Vornholt then followed with another field goal for S. P. N. Nepecos followed with two more. Quarter ends Nepecos 12, S. P. N. 4.

Second Quarter.

Boone starts scoring again with a field goal off the tip-off. Nepecos fouls. Boone misses free throw. Hansen scores with short field goal. Capt. Vaughn scores again for S. P. N. Nepecos foul. Vaughn makes two free throws. Boone make a long shot from the middle of the floor again off the tip-off. Boone fouls and Nepecos score. Zager replaces Cap. Vaughn. Nepecos score again. Time out is taken by S. P. N. Vaughn replaces Bannach. Hansen scores a short shot. Nepecos foul and Boone dropped the ball through for the free throw. The half ends Nepecos 20, S. P. N. 16.

Third Quarter.

Nepecos get the jump and score some fouls, but Nepecos fail to score. Tobie replaces Vornholt. Nepeco fouls. Vaughn scores. Nepecos foul and Nepecos score one point. Nepecos score again. Nepecos foul; Vaughn fails. Nepecos foul again; Zager makes free throw. Zager fouls. Craney goes into guard Vaughn goes to forward, Zager moves to center, Boone goes to forward, Hansen is taken out. Tobie scores long shot from guard position, this basket tied the score. Nepecos take time out. S. P. N. scores again on a short pass Zager to Boone. Quarter ends Nepecos 25, S. P. N. 27.

Fourth Quarter.

Zager misses a long shot. S. P. N. takes time out; Craney slightly injured. Nepecos score on the tip-off. Nepecos foul. Zager fouls. Zager makes a short shot. Both teams fail on long shots. S. P. N. takes time out. Nepecos score on long shot and again tie the score. S. P. N. fouls and Nepecos make free throw. Game ends Nepecos 30, S. P. N. 29.

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BROADMINDEDNESS.

Broad mind — deadness.

Have you a broad, unbiased mind? Or is there some of that in-mate, lifeless quality within your being called deadness? Many people, by their very bluff appear to have one, but instead of the result being broadmindedness it is, indeed, deadness. The very fact that they try to make people think they are alive emphasises their truly sluggish spirit.

What this school wants, what every school wants, and what the world needs is trained social leaders, not professional cheerleaders whose vocabulary and enthusiasm centers about one school or group. We want men, honest to goodness men and women too who will go out and do things not help make a noise about it after some one else does it. Which are you — one of the noisy ones?

One of the instructors in this school tells us that when he was going to school and reading his text books as we do now he used to think every printed sentence untrue until it was verified. Anyway it was bosh to him and then it was he set out to read about it elsewhere and find out right. A very broadminded man is he today and widely read. Don't you think we could develop more of that quality?

CONSOLATION.

Work — who invented it? Good heavens, is there no relief from work? Quite the natural thing engendered by the suggestion of work is resentment. One writhes and grapples — in an effort to evade it. Sometimes one does this gracefully, cleverly; others, he bungles, and it becomes perfectly evident that he had a curious dislike for it. And "curious" it is! Why does one work so hard to elude it? It WILL catch up! Then, what? Work, and more work.

Happiness, because of individuality, cannot be definitely defined, but work is an integral and indispensable part of it. Without work there could be no happiness. The only reliable solution that man has ever found for his troubles, his vexations and his perplexities — is work. His troubles will consume him; his vexations will drive him to distraction; his perplexities will ruthlessly reduce him to morbid futility. Work, and only work, can one look to for consolation. Work for those things which you hope to realize, and when Life doesn't seem to be anything but a muddle to you — work some more.

RESOLUTIONS.

How many are there of you who believe in New Year's resolutions, and have you made any for this coming year? A new year has been begun since our last issue and perhaps some resolutions have been made. Some folks believe that making resolutions is all nonsense: they are only kept for a while then broken, they say. No doubt, that is the case with most of the resolutions made. Stop a minute, and recall which ones you made, if any, are still being kept.

But did you ever stop to think that it might be a good thing to make some resolutions and keep them? There are innumerable things we are low on that could be improved and can you tell us a better way to bring them up? Of course, the weak-willed, jelly-fish type of person can hardly be expected to keep a resolution but might he not try to improve that same weak will?

After all, if we find the things we need to improve ourselves on and work continually to improve them, we will see that the ends justify the means. Let's all resolve anyway to help S. P. N. in every way — and keep it.

CAMPUS GOSSIP.

A very wild time is reported by several dorm girls who enjoyed a cutter ride followed by a supper at the Spot. Martha Weiss, Irene Hart, Henrietta Timme, Claire McClellan and Anne Rowe made up the party.

MEASLES AT NELSON HALL.

Lucille Pecore is quarantined at Nelson Hall; she has in some manner acquired the measles.

COMING EVENTS!

Pep Club Party, Saturday January, 23.

FORUM CLUB NOTES.

There will be a meeting of the Forum Monday evening, Jan. 25th. Kenneth McCarr is chairman of the program committee and a very interesting one is being planned. Let's all be there.

ORATORICAL CONTESTS TRY OUTS HELD

The final elimination contest for oratory was held Thursday January 14th during the assembly period. The four orators who have been chosen to compete for first place are Lloyd Andrews of Shawano, Bob Dessurean of Antigo, Leonard Sprague of Stevens Point and Carroll Van Buskirk of Stevens Point.

Carroll Van Buskirk is the only contestant who is a veteran of last years oratorical contest, which he won. He has, however, some well seasoned competitors in the other three, all of them having had considerable training and practice elsewhere. Each of the orators has devoted months of diligent effort on his work, and no more than a hair-line decision can be anticipated when all is said and done. The winner of this quartette will be indeed entitled to our unstinted praise.

MARDI GRAS NOTES

Watch for announcements about big contests to be held in connection with Mardi Gras.

Watch for further announcements about the biggest festival of the year.
"Thatsall".

The dance on February 16, is to be a costume dance. An "Iris" will be given to the best dressed lady and the best dressed gentleman.

Get your vaudeville act ready for Mardi Gras Union Vodville. The act must be entered before Wednesday, January 20. Each act is to be no longer than fifteen minutes. The best act will be sent to the oratorical contest at River Falls, expenses paid by the Pep Club.

Note;

Mardi Gras is the biggest festival of the year. It has been held every year at S. P. N. for many years. It is traditional. It is the one day when all the Normal can celebrate correctly. It is to be held on February 16 in the Normal building. There will be clever stunts by the departments, a Union vaudeville, Matinee dance, Tea Room, White Elephant Auction, Refreshments, and a Costume Ball. Save your shelles for this Carnival night. Later announcements will tell you all about the fun being planned.

HERE AND THERE AT S. P. N.

President Sims gave us an interesting talk on "Beginning the New Year right, and taking advantage of our abilities to progress."

On Saturday afternoon January 9 at the regular meeting of the Women's Club, Miss Roth gave an interesting talk on Girl's Athletics. Miss Foster director of girl's athletics at Normal, and ten of her students gave a gymnastic demonstration.

Professor Alex is now offering a course in writing love letters; anywhere from one to twenty pages. Guaranteed to get results. Reasonable rates. Only the elect and the select need apply. Call 937J.

ON THE STAGE.

POMANDER WALK PRESENTED IN A DELIGHTFUL MANNER

Anticipation is sweeter than realization — but it is so indefinite. When anticipation assumes precise realization — Ah, that is superb! Thus doubts and impatience and anxiety fades — that is for those who saw it last evening when "Pomander Walk", perhaps the best production of all S. P. N. history was presented. Much credit should be given Mr. Burroughs for the success of this play. The scenic effects were by far the best ever attempted at this school. The cast helped much with the staging of the affair outside of their actual anticipation. Most of the charming and quaint gowns peculiar to the period of the action were made by the girls, while the scenery was built by the men under the direction of Mr. Burroughs. The results were most gratifying. The stage effects did not look like the work of amateurs. All in all the play was a huge success.

The Cast.

Marjolaine Lachenais, the dainty French Miss, was delightfully portrayed by Ellen Lowe with whom Jack Sayle, a young Naval Lieutenant, played by Arnold Malmquist, fell desperately in love. Of course (at first) their affair was looked upon with disdain by Madame Lachenais, played by Anne Mork, and Lord Otfors (father of Jack played by Henry Kolka). The plot thickened by the wise — and otherwise — intervention of Admiral Sir Potor Antrobus a retired sea-dog, particularly ably played by Ed Jensen. Humor, the subtlest imaginable, are interjected by Mrs. Pamela Poskett, Mareva Lynn; Miss Ruth Pennymint, Goldiemary Harris; Miss Barbara Pennymint, Alice Diehl; the Reverend Doctor Sternroyd, Ruby Fleming. The romantic musician Basil Pringle, and the much misunderstood Brooke Hoskyn contributed a ludicrous significance to the plot.

They were played by Irene Hart and Alice Helmbrecht, respectively. Jim, an erstwhile swab of the briny deep, was played by Alfred Wunrow, Caroline Thring, a warfare worker, was played by Anita Baum, the Muffinman, Muriel Peterson, Nanette, Myrtle Hunt, and Jane, Alice Sell gave to the play the well rounded tinge of the perfect. Lamplighter played by Ethel Peterson.

The Play Briefly —

The setting of the play was Pomander Walk, near Chiswick England, the time being 1805. The acts took place on Saturday afternoon in the months of May and June, 1805.

In the first act we found the quietness of Pomander Walk disturbed by the visit of Lord Otford. He was followed by a rather abrupt visit to Pomander Walk by his son, Lieutenant Jack Sayle.

Jack meets Marjolaine and the mention of his name to Marjolaine's mother caused the Madame to faint.

The second act takes place one

RURAL SUPERVISORS VISIT NORMAL.

A party consisting of thirteen Rural school supervisors visited the Normal school Monday and Tuesday of this week.

They came here mainly to visit the Rural department and observe the work the Rural students are doing here, since it is generally considered that the Stevens Point Normal has the best Rural department of any Normal in the state.

Seven of the visiting supervisors are graduates of this Normal and hold positions in the southern counties of this state. The supervisors are as follows: Katherine McGowan, Adams County; Catherine Betthausen, Columbia County; Ruby Healy, Columbia County; Mary Meyer, Dane County; Clara Habernicht, Dane County; Ruth Hendrickson, Dane County; Marcella Killian, Dodge County.

AT OTHER SCHOOLS

The Milwaukee Normal School paper, The Echo, received first place in the poetry contest which was held as a part of the Annual meeting of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Press Association held last month at Marquette University.
"The Echo."

"Athletics for all," long the dream of sport lovers, have at last begun to materialize at Eau Claire Normal with the organization, under Coach Gerber, of an intra-mural basketball league, open to all men students.

"The Spectator."

Mrs. Mary D. Bradfords spoke before the assemblies of White-water, Milwaukee, and Eau Claire Normals last month.

An unusual Basket Ball situation is reported at Plattville Normal in which Coach Keyes has two squads; one plays a long passing game and the other a short passing offense.

"The Exponent."

SAVE FOR MARDI GRAS

Week later. Jack comes again to Pomander Walk, but this time he comes to visit Marjolaine. Dr. Sternroyd gave Marjolaine and Jack's license to Lord Otford by mistake. Humor is brought out strongly by the Eyesore throwing Sempronius, Mrs. Poskett's cat, into the river. Caroline Thring comes to Pomander Walk. She expects to be the spiritual guide to Pomander Walk and, incidentally to marry Jack Sayle.

The third act opens with a scene in which Pomander Walk is having tea. The Admiral shocks Pomander Walk by announcing his love for Mrs. Poskett (Mrs. Poskett does it for him). Basil Pringle, the one of the artistic soul, wins the love of Miss Barbara. An old love affair is renewed and Lord Otford and Madame are happy. Jack and Marjolaine then receives the congratulations of Pomander Walk and — Jim returns Sempronius to Mrs. Poskett.

Curtain.

**"ROSE MARIE!"**

(As one hears it sung in the Dormitory)
 Rows Muh-ree, I loveyuh,
 Imalwuz thin kinofyuh,
 No mat tuhwhat I do I can't fuh get
 chuh,
 A-a-a times I wished tha-a I had nevuh
 metchuh,
 And yet if I sudloseyuh,
 Twould me-e-e-an my very life tuh
 me-e-e,
 Uh vall the 'queens that evuh live di
 choose yuh,
 Tuh rule me, Rows Muh-ree.
 "Brown Jug".

Poet: "Hear those apple trees sigh-
 ing in the breeze".
 Plumber: "Huh! I guess you'd sigh
 too if you was as full of green apples
 as those trees are".

Stage hand to manager, sotto voce:
 "Shall I lower the curtain?"
 Manager: "Why?"
 Stage hand: "One of the livin' sta-
 tues has the hiccups".

BROADCAST.

Here lie the remains of a radio fan,
 Now mourned by his many relations.
 He went to a powdermill smoking his
 pipe.
 And was picked up by twenty one
 stations.

FLAMING YOUTH.

Miss Hussy: "You ought to be
 proud to be the father of such a splen-
 did family".
 "What on earth—? Large family?"
 gasped the pater.
 "Yes indeed, your daughter has had
 eleven of her brothers here this sem-
 ester to take her out. She expects an-
 other tomorrow".

Chase: "I thought you told me you
 had that 'quid down cold".
 Haerte!: "Well, didn't I get zero in
 it?"

Knutzen: "Is pants singular or plu-
 ral?"
 Student: "If a man wears them it's
 plural".
 "Well, if he does not—"
 "Then it's singular."

A TIP.

First Prof.: "Do you believe that a
 rabbit's foot brings good luck?"
 Second Prof.: "Implicitly. My wife
 felt one in my pocket once and thought
 it was a mouse."

PSYCHOLOGY.

She: "Do you know why I refused
 you?"
 He: "I can't think".
 She: "You guessed it".

**COMING TO S. P. N. FROM MANA-
WA ON THE G. B. AND W.**

"Say, Conductor, what are we stop-
 ping for now?"
 "The're taking in water, sir, replied
 the conductor easily.
 "Well, why the devil don't you get
 another teaspoon?"

Miss Meston: What is cold boiled
 ham?
 Mildred Crook: Oh, thats ham boiled
 in cold water, isn't it?

Norma Weldon: Why do rabbits have
 shiny noses?
 Ma Cummings: Because their powder
 puffs are on the other end.

Sprague to Tage on the way to
 Abbotsford: Pull out to the side old
 man, a horse and buggy wants to go
 by.

"Say something soft and sweet to
 me, dearest."
 "Custard pie."

Sam: Which would you rather be,
 Shakespeare or Edison?
 C. Thompson: Edison
 Sam: Why?
 Tommy: Cause he ain't dead.

Kind old Gent: Didums break'm's
 little dolly?
 Sweet Child: Yeh. Why the devil do
 they make the darn things so fragile,
 anyway?

Krantz (to the waitress in an Abbots-
 ford restaurant when he was trying to
 eat the steak he had ordered for super)
 Is the hardware store open to-
 night?

Poor little waitress: I don't know,
 why?
 Krantz: Would you mind running
 over after a jackknife for me please?

C. Doll: My idea of a mean joke is
 to receive a postal card saying, "En-
 closed find the ten dollars I owe you."

Malmquist: I've been traveling inco-
 gnito this summer.
 Downer: I was up there last year.

That College men are fond of jokes
 is evidenced by the number who visit
 the girls dormitories.

There was an old duffer who said,
 As he suddenly lifted his head:
 An a lot more unfit to be read.

R. Boone. — Do you know how stove
 pipe is made?
 Ye Editor — No.

Boone — Take a long hole and wrap
 some tin around it.

Springer — To Jean Scheuer who is
 leaving the room: — May I come too?
 Jean: You'll never come to, uncon-
 cious.

— A four wheel brake is a wonder-
 ful invention. Now the automobile can
 stop on top of the pedestrian rather
 than run over him.

Buck Weaver has the manners of a
 gentleman.

Whitey: I knew they didn't belong
 to him.

Gen Murray: Don't you just adore
 Kipling?

Rice: I don't know, how do you
 kipple?

Laine: Sheep are certainly stupid
 animals.

Fritz K.: Yes, my lamb.

L. Peterson: Can you help me out
 with this problem?

Mr. Collins: I would but I don't
 think it would be right.

Swan: How's to buy me a paper?
 Boyce: Sorry. — Can't handle it, I
 only got a dime, and if I break it, it'll
 go like water.

M. Stratton: Leo, this steak is terri-
 bly tough.

Leo: Madam, we are not responsible
 for the morals of our food.

Craney: Gosh, I sure am overworked
 these days.

Fritz: What are you doing?

Craney: Oh this and that.

Fritz: Where?

Craney: Here or there.

Fritz: Well, you sure do need a vaca-
 tion.

**IRIS STAFF NOW
BEGINS WORK**

The Iris Staff has been chosen
 and work on the Annual has be-
 gun. Those who are appointed
 to the staff should do their work
 cheerfully because their work
 will make the book a success.
 You will be remembered in this
 school by your work on this
 Annual. Remember the heavy
 responsibility which the Editor-
 in-chief of the Iris and her board
 have assumed. Every student
 should do his part.

Snaps are wanted by the Snap
 editor. Drop them in the snap
 box on the second floor.

Staff meetings will be an-
 nounced at assembly.

The printing contract was
 made with the Worzalla Printing
 Company of this city and the en-
 graving contract was made with
 the Commercial Engraving Com-
 pany from Sheboygan, Wiscon-
 sin.

**JUNIOR PROM TO
SHOW WARMTH
IN WINTERTIME**

A wintry scene, but a warm
 reception, is the delectable con-
 trast offered terpsichorean fol-
 lowers at the annual Junior
 Prom at the gymnasium after the
 basketball game tonight. Not
 much else has been divulged by
 the committee in charge, but that
 is enough.

Also something new in synco-
 pated melody is promised by the
 group of musicians from Eau
 Claire who travel under the
 banner, "Ted's Mandarin Band."
 But they will not get in form
 until after the basket ball game,
 so slip into your regalia early to-
 night, and make a big evening
 out of it. "The Stoutonia."

ASSEMBLY NOTES

Slogan of Service Suggested by
 President Sims.

"I serve" was the slogan sug-
 gested by President Sims at the
 first assembly of the new year, as
 a guide to the students of S. P.
 N. for 1926 and for all the years
 to follow. He said that the
 beginning of the new year brings
 with it the opportunity to start a
 new record, to put behind us the
 old and to strive upward toward
 the new goal of 1927. Youth
 possesses these indomitable qual-
 ities of hope and enthusiasm
 which should go into every new
 endeavor for the coming year.
 Mr. Sims continued that the
 words of Christ himself, "He is
 greatest among you who is the
 servant of all" are the founda-
 tion for that slogan used so long
 by the prince of Wales and which
 he gave to us "I serve".

RINGS — PINS CONSIDERED.

Don Vetter suggested for mere
 consideration until some future
 meeting the getting of class rings
 this year instead of waiting until
 1927 when we are Seniors.

The advantages of such action
 would be that expenses attendant
 to graduation would be spread
 over a longer period thereby re-
 lieving much financial worries
 next year. Then too, the rings
 and pins could be worn at the
 time we are Seniors in school
 here.

COMING EVENTS.

Oshkosh here January 22.
 Pep Club Party January 23.
 Stout here January 29.
 New Semester February 1.
 Oratorical Contest at River Falls
 February 10.
 Mardi Gras February 16.

RURAL DEFEAT AUBURNDALE

On Friday evening the Rural
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 Smith were high scorers for the
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INQUIRING REPORTER

QUESTION: WHAT NEW SUGGESTIONS HAVE YOU FOR THE MARDI GRAS?

Norma Wiesner — Pr. Sr., I would like to see something on the order of a Cave of Terrors worked out in the Mardi Gras. It would create excitement and surprise, I believe, and the entire school would take pleasure in it.

B. Rowe, A suggestion for Mardi Gras? That is a harder job than it seems. We might have a circus with its many side shows. Of course this would mean a great deal of hard work, but everybody is ready to help with Mardi Gras, at least the old students are and the new ones soon will be when they hear of the wonderful time in store for them.

The success of Madri Gras depends on the success of the stunt given by each department. Rather than having an unorganized presentation of weak comedy would it not be better to arrange a definite skit (either original or procured from a publishing house) to be presented in a definite way. In this way the talent which in the past has been wasted would be given training in the right direction and both actors and audience given a feeling of satisfaction.

Sumner Smith.

RESPONSE TO THE INQUIRING REPORTER.

In a hopeless attempt to create something that is neither hackneyed or unappealingly extempore one delves into the most recusive nooks. Occasionally (very intermittantly) one finds something, after which he displays or parades it with unbecoming pride.

The ordinary round of stunts has been exhausted and the introduction of a travesty would be novel. Anything which has had a popular appeal to the students, and which has a tinge of the serious, could be used effectively. Portrayal of some poem or centralized story would suffice most advantageously. The plot of the poem or story could be reversed and the characters burlesqued. An example of this is the travesty, "Oliver Twist Twisted" in which the scene in which Oliver asks for "some more" is made most uproariously ludicrous.

Arnold M. Malmquist.

TO COSTUME OR NOT TO COSTUME.

To costume or not to costume That is the question — Whether 'tis nobler in the mind

To come in costume and be one of the few Or in every day dress as the majority.

Does the majority want this dance to be a costume affair? To many people think this costume dance is the feature attraction; but it certainly is discouraging to see one-half or less come in fancy dress, while a large percent come in every day clothes. This Mardi Gras is a school affair and if it is up to the students to determine which it shall be.

If a costume dance is not

CHORAL UNION TO GIVE COMEDY "NAUTICAL KNOT" PREPARING

In order to launch a definite project for the efforts of the fifty men and women composing the membership of the Choral Union a musical comedy, "A Nautical Knot" is being prepared.

Having been given in this school about six years ago with great success, it was selected as an outstanding example of lively and tuneful music, clever situations, much wit and a story of love entanglements both unique and at times exciting.

The last time this comedy was given the students borrowed the services of Mr. Steiner, who took the part of Bill Salt, an old sea captain with signal success. One has little difficulty imagining that here is a "reversion to type" when Mr. Steiner is discovered sitting near the quay (in the shade) handing out advice to all the young men and women who crowd around him with their problems and social perplexities. His boots of rough weather are his. He is a sea captain de luxe; the own — the reversible rubber hat has turned every storm that ever visited Portage County since he came here — given these and his already accumulated corpulence, a bit of scenery characterizing the age of romance, and the situation is complete.

Julia Van Hecke is to be the Haughty Belle of the Village — she is that easily. Anne Rowe is a Gentle Damsel who sings and sings — she can do this 100%.

Walter Jonas displays his tenor tones to advantage as Barnabas Lee, an Artist. Carroll Van Buskirk would rather sing any day thanorate and as the Mate of the good ship "Bounding Billow" it will surprise you. He makes sugar-coated love also — nuf sed. Leonard Sprague and Donald Vetter appear in the roles of Sailors of the Fancy variety. Plenty of action promised from that source.

Several Charming girls are to be identified in Rosemary Bube, Beatrice Swancutt and Bernice Chapman. The usual choruses of Sailors, Townspeople, Artists and so forth lend their presence in action and song to complete the "show."

It promises to be a "show" worthy of the efforts of the people rehearsing it.

Not in several years has an organization in the school stages an operetta or comedy and it is anticipated in the one to come that last time will be well accounted for.

CAMPUS GOSSIP.

Mr. E. T. Smith of our faculty attended the meeting of the retirement fund committee at Madison held on Wednesday and Thursday of the last week. It was a meeting of the combined board representing the Normals, University, and the Public Schools. A joint meeting was held in the forenoon and special meetings were held in the afternoon. A report of the committee will be published later.

wanted let it be known so that it can be announced. If the sentiment is unanimously in favor of it, why couldn't we rule that there is to be no admission to those not in costume?

Claire Martin.

SENIOR NEWS

Seniors — Please have your pictures taken this week.

You can buy your pins and rings at Hirzy's now. The pins are \$5.00 and the rings are \$7.00. A sample of them will be placed on the main bulletin board to-day. Seniors who desire pictures for their application blanks may secure them from the Waupun Art Shop, Waupun, Wisconsin. Twenty-five pictures may be bought for \$1.50. See the bulletin board for a sample of the pictures.

Plans are under way for Mardi Gras. The following committee has been appointed to carry out the program:

Executive Chairman Richard Gunning.
Finance Nic Allen...
Popularity Harold Craney.
Refreshment ... Summer Smith.
Tea Room Eleanor Withee.
White Elephant. Vernon Mason.
Newspaper and Pub.
Stunt Donald Vetter
Bernice Vinkle.

Seniors — Please fill out a blank similar to the one in the main bulletin board and hand to Richard Gunning as soon as possible.

One-year Rural people are asked to the regular Senior meetings.

A deposit of \$3 required on the rings, and \$2.50 on the pins, at Hirzy's.

IT'S COMING

Christmas, New Years, Semester examinations, then peace and quiet until Easter — Wait, Stop, don't neglect to mention the biggest social event, the best mixer, and the snappiest entertainment of the year. It's coming, and when it gets here — the afternoon and night before lent — we will take part in the biggest Mardi Gras in the history of the school.

Here are just a few things to think of: — Who will be our popularity queen? What kind of a masquerade costume will I wear? Can I make some good posters? Can I do anything to make a bigger Mardi Gras and have a better time?

It is rumored that there will be a big competitive vaudeville show with a trip to River Falls for the most entertaining act.

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HERE AND THERE AT S. P. N.

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